

Ben JOSEPH
Candidate in the
Democratic Primary for
a seat in the Vermont
house on August 9, 2016

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1. Should the work of State government be performed by State employees? *Yes*
2. As an elected official, how would you improve the overall safety of state employees?
By requiring work place safeguards
3. What is your plan to make the health care system more fair and equitable for working Vermonters?
4. Will you support collective bargaining and vote against "Right to Work" legislation in any form? *Yes*
5. What do you see as the role of State employees and how would you support them in their role?
Their role is essential and they should be paid well
6. What mechanisms would you put in place to avoid budget shortfalls?
Budget priority for worker compensation
7. What approach would you take to make higher education more affordable for Vermonters?
Free tuition
8. What would you do to ensure the viability of the state college system?
Support it financially
9. Do you support a livable wage for Vermonters? If so, what do you think that amount should be?
Yes - \$15 per hour
10. Briefly state why the VSEA should endorse you and describe the type of assistance that you would be seeking from a VSEA endorsement.

*I hope to help insure adequate
judicial services in all counties.
Pay for support staff in our courts
must raised to levels that make
a career path for experienced employees.*