

2022 Candidate Questionnaires Nebraska State Senators

Candidate Name: Megan Hunt

District 8

Question 1:

Nebraska's state highways function as local streets within municipal boundaries while remaining under the purview of the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

What safety concerns are you seeing on these streets in your district's communities? (Are these streets safe for all ages and abilities to cross?) What should the state be doing to make these state highway segments within local areas safer?

Candidate Response:

ensure there is enough space between motorway + pedestrians/bikes/other modes of transport, lower speed limit, happy to follow the lead and take suggestions from advocates

Question 2:

Too many Nebraska children have died or been seriously injured in crashes involving people running red lights or speeding. Automated enforcement measures such as red light or speed detection cameras placed at intersections with demonstrated safety concerns could reduce law enforcement burden and eliminate potential biases.

Would you support a change in state law to allow automated enforcement in Nebraska? If so, under what conditions?

Candidate Response:

possibly - would need to carefully consider any potential law to make sure it isn't criminalizing people unjustly or targeted unfairly

Question 3:

Workforce issues in Nebraska have been described as "the most pressing economic issue in the state" and "very quiet and...happening at record speed."

Knowing that young professionals increasingly prefer walking, biking and taking transit over driving, what should the state be doing to invest in or encourage active transportation options that will help stem the tide?

Candidate Response:

We need high-quality public transportation, safe and convenient biking and walking infrastructure, and well-maintained roads and bridges to help communities to attract talent, to compete with other metro areas, and to improve the day-to-day lives of our residents.