

Candidate: **Caroline Storm**

Senate District:

Party Affiliation: **Democrat**

House District: **10**

If elected, will you support continuing to meet the State's obligation to fund the Defined Benefit retiree pension and health benefit accounts?

Yes

Do you favor legislation enacting an optional Defined Benefit program for ALL new public employees?

Yes

If you believe only certain public employees should be eligible for an optional Defined Benefit program, which classes of employees are those?

All public employees should be eligible for a pension. Sen. Steadman halted the passage of HB 55 1st sponsored by Rep. Kopp & then Rep. Josephson. If there isn't enough support for all public employees then safety officers & teachers are a priority.

Retirees in a Defined Benefit System contribute significantly to Alaska's economy, both while employed and after retirement. If you are elected, how will you help encourage retirees to stay in Alaska?

Policy must be implemented to ensure access to good medical care with out seniors being left without options for providers due to the few numbers of providers who take Medicare. The availability of reliable and skilled home care is poor, and policy to ensure access must be developed. The families of retirees must be ensured a solid and affordable future in Alaska. If elders families move away, elders are less likely to stay in Alaska.

Do you support holding a Constitutional Convention?

NO: **YES:** **No Opinion:**

If you support holding a Constitutional Convention, Why?

If elected, will you support resolving State budget gaps?

Yes

How do you propose solving the State budget gap? (Check all that ap

- Further cuts to the State operating budget.**
- Limit the State capital budget.**
- Increase taxes on oil and gas companies.**
- Implement a statewide income tax.**
- Implement a statewide sales tax.**
- Implement other new taxes.**
- Changing the PDF formula.**
- No Opinion**

Other: Other: Incentivize new industry to come to Alaska. When the Alaska legislature eliminated the credits to the film industry, we eliminated a large revenue stream for local communities, the state and employment for Teamsters.