

NANCY SKINNER

Seeking Position of: California State Assembly, District 14

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1. If elected, what are your top priorities during your term? What would you like to accomplish and how would you go about doing so? Please be specific.

It is an honor to serve the 14th Assembly District. It is a tough time to be in the Legislature but we must keep fighting for what is right. Upon taking office, I was proud to be named Chair of the Natural Resources Committee and was just named Chair of the Rules Committee. I authored and the Governor signed into law landmark legislation on energy efficiency, solar expansion, college housing preference for foster youth, and bills such as enabling legislation for the City of Emeryville's Center for Community Life that help the communities of AD14.

Clearly our top priority must be to solve the State's perpetual budget crisis. I will also continue to work on improvements in energy efficiency and the expansion of green jobs.

Even in tough economic times, within a state government that often seems incapable of responding to obvious challenges, I believe that I am making a difference. I ask for your support for re-election.

2. How have you in the past and how will you in the future use your position to expand the presence and influence of Asian Pacific Americans in public policy and politics?

Diversity among my staff, my commission appointees, and my advisors has always been a priority.

3. What have you done that demonstrates your commitment to and effectiveness in promoting Asian Pacific American interests in the following areas (and if you have not contributed in these areas, please discuss any area(s) in which you have made a contribution): Education, Health Care, Civil Rights, and Business

My first term has been a challenging time for our State. CA has been a national and world leader environmentally, economically and educationally. We are the seventh largest economy in the world and our entrepreneurial innovations and environmental policies have been emulated across the globe, yet 7 million state residents are without healthcare and we have fallen behind miserably in our commitment to public education & social services.

Integrating excellence in education, high environmental quality and an economy that provides for all can restore CA to the jewel it once was. Ensuring access to affordable health care for all Californians will provide our State with the healthy workforce necessary to remain competitive in the global economy. State actions to address global climate change such as enactment of a price on carbon and an oil severance tax can be used to produce new revenues and reap the benefits of a growing clean tech and clean energy sector, enhancing our economy. Reducing state expenditures on out of state fossil fuels and pollution clean up can free up funds for education and public/social services. And

restoring excellence to our schools will in turn ensure the educated workforce necessary to keep the new and growing green business jobs within our state.

Our country was founded protecting the civil liberties and freedoms of all individuals regardless of race, creed, national origin. I have actively supported and defended these policies and will continue to do so. We need a return to a California that embraces healthy public investment and places the good of the whole above the gain of a few, that places educating our children above incarcerating them