

2004 Election: Presidential & U.S. Senate Candidate Comparisons

<u>Kerry</u>	<u>Bush</u>	<u>Issue or Principle</u>	<u>Obama</u>	<u>Keyes</u>
opposes	supports	Defense of Marriage Act	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Federal Marriage Amendment	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Same-sex marriage/civil unions	supports	opposes
supports	opposes	"Gay" adoption of children	supports	opposes
supports	opposes	Special civil rights for homosexuals	supports	opposes
supports	opposes	Expand "hate crimes" to include sexual orientation	supports	opposes
opposes	supports	Protect health care employees and facilities from performing services they consider unethical	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Require Catholic hospitals to perform abortions	supports	opposes
opposes	supports	Appoint judges who strictly interpret Constitution	opposes	supports
undeclared	opposes	Allow removal of religion from public square	undeclared	opposes
opposes	supports	Protect free speech, including Biblical texts, from being taken as "hate speech" against homosexuals	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Informed consent for women seeking abortion	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Ban taking minors across state lines for abortion	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Banning partial-birth abortion	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Appoint only judges who favor abortion rights	supports	opposes
opposes	supports	Maintain ban on U.S. military base abortions	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Allow sale of abortifacient morning-after pills over-the-counter, regardless of health risks	supports	opposes
opposes	supports	Ban human cloning for research	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Ban use of drugs for assisted suicide	undeclared	supports
undeclared	opposes	Removal of feeding tube from disabled patients	undeclared	opposes
opposes	supports	Use of the death penalty	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Expand government funding of embryonic stem-cell research	supports	opposes
opposes	supports	Public school choice, vouchers, home schooling	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Expand abstinence-education programs	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Make grants to faith-based organizations	undeclared	supports
opposes	supports	Defend the culture of life at U.N. conferences	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Apply global warming restrictions (Kyoto treaty)	supports	opposes
supports	supports	Protect Christians in Sudan from genocide	undeclared	supports
opposes	supports	Defund United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) for supporting forced abortion in China	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Government-controlled health care	supports	opposes
opposes	supports	Make recent tax cuts permanent	undeclared	supports
opposes	supports	Partial privatization of social security	opposes	supports
opposes	supports	Amendment to protect U.S. flag	undeclared	supports
opposes	supports	Fund new military weapons systems	opposes	supports
supports	opposes	Seek U.N. approval on national security issues	supports	opposes

The above candidate comparisons are based on detailed review of voting records, candidate statements and Web sites, endorsements and news reports. These comparisons are deemed to be as accurate as possible, given the sometimes conflicting statements from candidates. This analysis was performed by W. Beckman, IFLCoalition@yahoo.com and distributed by Concerned Women for America of Illinois, director@illinois.cwfa.org.