

**Candidate: James Buchanan Office: State Rep Dist 74**

**Party: R**

**Constitutionally Limited Government:** \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment: TPM Score: 5**

“Defend our 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment”  
Candidate campaign postcard

**Pro-life: TPM Score: 2.5**

“Protect life at every stage”  
Candidate campaign postcard

“I think Florida’s current laws are sufficiently pro-life.”

<https://www.heraldtribune.com/news/20180730/state-rep-district-74-qampa-with-james-buchanan>

**Immigration: TPM Score: 5**

“We need to enforce the laws of the land when it comes to immigration”

<https://www.facebook.com/BuchananForFlorida/videos/2397036407189687/>

“Deport illegal immigrants caught committing crimes”

Candidate campaign postcard

**Fiscal Responsibility: Taxes/Spending TPM Score: 4** \_\_\_\_\_

I am 100% opposed to offshore drilling...I do believe in climate change...

Suncoast News Network video at [https://ballotpedia.org/James Buchanan \(Florida\)](https://ballotpedia.org/James_Buchanan_(Florida))

“Keep Taxes Low”

Candidate campaign postcard

**Free Market Solutions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Educ choice: TPM Score: 5**

I plan on working to make sure we have adequate funding to keep a deputy in every school.

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Florida’s public schools need innovation and the growth of charter schools is creating competition that is doing just that.

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**Healthcare: TPM Score: 5**

“Government run healthcare doesn’t work efficiently nor does it deliver access to quality care.”

“I would support asking those who are mentally and physically capable of doing so to engage in some community activity in order to get taxpayer funded services.”

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**Pro-Biz: TPM Score: 4**

“Jobs and the economy need to be a top priority”

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I'm a pro-environment conservative

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“Promote pro-growth policies to create high-paying jobs”

Candidate campaign postcard

### **Candidate's Top 3 Issues:**

Keep taxes low

Promote pro-growth policies

Invest in school safety

**Total TPM Score: 30.5**

### **Summary Comments:**

It once seemed that every candidate, no matter how leftist, ran as a conservative. For example Barack Obama, when he ran in 2008, said he would “go through the budget line-by-line” to cut government spending—yet he doubled the national debt!

Similarly, Tony Mowry says things that sound conservative, like “businesses should flourish” yet all his proposals involve expanding government regulations and spending of our tax dollars. Similarly, Both of which crush jobs and the economy.

James Buchanan's site <https://www.buchananforflorida.com/> lists no statements on issues, so we were grateful to find other sources, referenced here. He says he is a conservative, but his own sometimes-conflicting statements say he is a moderate. He is quite conservative compared to his opponent, whose total score was 1 out of 35.

**We endorse James Buchanan for State Rep Dist 74.**

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### **Affiliations:**

Board Member of Sarasota YMCA First Baptist Christmas in July Kiwanis Club Member of Chamber of Commerce Realtor Association of Sarasota-Manatee Florida Association of Realtors

### **Supporters/Endorsements include:**

Florida Police Benevolent Association

GCBX

BIA

Suncoast Firefighters and Paramedics

Sarasota County Republican Party

Gov. Rick Scott appeared with Buchanan at a Manatee County business. President [Donald Trump's](#) (R) former campaign manager Corey Lewandowski also campaigned for Buchanan

Sen. [Marco Rubio](#) (R) state Sen. [Bill Galvano](#) state Rep. [Jim Boyd](#).

[https://ballotpedia.org/James\\_Buchanan\\_\(Florida\)](https://ballotpedia.org/James_Buchanan_(Florida))

### **Other Topics/ Actions/Positions held**

Licensed Real Estate Professional, 13 years Broker of Record since 2009

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**Has Florida's economy become even more dependent on tourism the past eight years, and do you see any steps that can be taken to diversify it?**

Florida's economy has become more diversified under Governor Scott than it has ever been. We need to keep working to promote economic growth and invest in infrastructure.

**In your role, what steps would you take to reduce pollution of Lake Okeechobee and discharges of algae-fouled water?**

We need stricter standards for run-off north of the lake and we need a statewide program to remove septic tanks. <https://www.heraldtribune.com/news/20180730/state-rep-district-74-qampa-with-james-buchanan>

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