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Dear Laura,

I recently received your legislative survey. I appreciate your interest in obtaining accurate information from all of the candidates on issues that are important to you. However, I have adopted a policy of not responding to such surveys because I feel that some do not portray fair legislative issues. Many are not comprehensive, asking only questions that deal with hot-button political issues. Some have tricky wording or limited answers. This can lead to answers being misunderstood, misrepresented, or taken out of context.

Please be assured that this criticism is not directed at your survey. However, rather than simply answering those surveys that I think are fair, I have decided to decline them all in order not to be accused of being selective. Over the past three terms I have taken many votes on a variety of issues for which I can be held accountable. I would be more than happy to discuss my position with you on any issue that concerns you.

Thank you for understanding. If you wish to discuss any legislative matter with me, or if you have any questions about my position, please do not hesitate to call me at (540) 448-3999.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dickie Bell".