

2008 General Election ~ State Representative ~ District 44

1. Did you grow up with animals?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes; Cats and dogs.
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

2. Does your family have animals?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes; One cat and two kittens; I view animals as "people." Last year I lost my two cats I had had since they were babies. Sophie was 20 and Sammie was 19 - I miss them so much! Oops! We also have a Betta fish (Tyler) - I know it is strange, but he likes me to pet him in the morning and at night...
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

3. Are you in favor of the spaying/neutering of dogs and cats to reduce overpopulation?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

4. Would you be likely to support state legislation to restrict the length of time and conditions under which a dog may be tethered outdoors?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

5. Do you believe that aggravated cruelty/violence to animals should be a felony?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

6. During the 2008 legislative session, a bill was passed to prohibit inhumane forms of confinement, such as "veal crates" and "gestation crates," of calves and pigs raised for slaughter (SB08-201). If you are an incumbent, please indicate your level of support for this legislation. If you are not an incumbent, please indicate the position you believe you would have taken.

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Supported/would have supported this legislation on its merits
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

7. Would you be likely to support state legislation to prohibit the confinement of egg-laying hens in "battery cages?"

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

8. Would you be likely to support state legislation to require that educational institutions at all levels provide (and advertise to students) an alternative to animal dissection?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

9. Would you be likely to support state legislation prohibiting the use of elephants in traveling acts, such as circuses?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes; We went to a circus in Brussels - we were in stitches the entire time! Guess what? The only animal there was the ringleader's dog, and she only brought her out for five minutes at the very end.
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

10. Rodeos currently enjoy a blanket exemption from the state's animal cruelty statute. Would you be likely to support legislation that would limit this exemption to those events currently sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association?

Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes; I did not realize rodeos had any kind of exemption, that is odd as I would think they would be holding themselves to a higher standard.
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

11. Section 33-1-101 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, states, "It is the policy of the state of Colorado that the wildlife and their environment are to be protected, preserved, enhanced, and managed for the use, benefit, and enjoyment of the people of this state and its visitors." Do you believe that all Colorado residents should have a voice in wildlife policy?	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

12. Of the two following value statements, to which are you likely to give higher priority? =Wildlife and their environment are to be protected and preserved =Wildlife and their environment are to be managed	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	Wildlife and their environment are to be protected and preserved
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

13. Would you be likely to support state legislation to prohibit the hunting of captive or confined animals ("canned hunting")?	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

14. Do you believe that Amendment 14, the anti-trapping initiative passed by Colorado voters in 1996, should be overturned or weakened in any way?	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	No answer selected; "Regulation of Commercial Hog Facilities" is what Amendment 14 is about - I don't know how that relates to anti-trapping...?
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

The following two petition-related questions will not be used for scoring.

15. Would you be likely to support state legislation to (1) require counties to allow county-level ballot initiatives and (2) establish consistent procedures and criteria for such initiatives?	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	Undecided
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

16. Do you think that initiating a state ballot issue should be easier, harder, or as it now is?	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	As it now is
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

17. Would you be willing to consider factual documentation from CHVL on a given issue?	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	Yes
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

This concludes our questionnaire. Please add any general comments below.	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	Thank you for the opportunity for me to respond! Shelly Tokerud
Mike May (R)	Did not respond

Questionnaire Score	
Shelly Tokerud (D)	100%
Mike May (R)	Did not respond