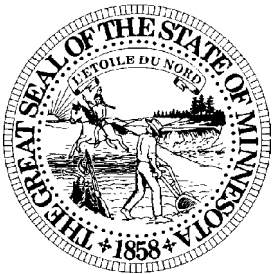




**State Representative  
Carl Jacobson**

Representing  
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North Oaks  
White Bear Lake  
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Little Canada  
Maplewood  
Gem Lake

**SURVEY 2001**



# ***2001 Survey Results***

## ***SETTING PRIORITIES***

**What should the #1 priority of the Minnesota Legislature be this year?**

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 29 % ... Cut taxes                   | 6 % ... Expand Sr Prescription Drug Program |
| 15 % ... Increase state spending     | 5 % ... Reduce violent crime                |
| 12 % ... Reduce state gov't spending | 4 % ... Decrease traffic bottlenecks        |
| 11 % ... Rebate budget surplus       | 4 % ... Other                               |
| 11 % ... Reform property tax system  | 3 % ... Increase jobs in Minnesota          |

## ***MEASURING SUCCESS***

**Carl, your most important role as our State Representative is to:**

- 25 % ... Downsize the government we have
- 19 % ... Enact solutions you talked about in your campaign
- 12 % ... Find common ground between the political parties
- 9 % ... Advocate for us when we face problems with state agencies
- 9 % ... Keep us informed of events happening at the State Capitol
- 7 % ... Respond quickly to our calls, letters and e-mails
- 7 % ... Other
- 4 % ... Secure state jobs and building projects for our area
- 4 % ... Develop new social programs
- 4 % ... Attend community meetings

## ***EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN***

**The state currently spends an average of \$7,800 per student for K-12 education (\$6.6 billion). Is this amount:**

- 37 % ... Just about right
- 33 % ... Too low
- 30 % ... Too high

## ***HEALTH CARE COSTS***

**Would you support a health care tax credit which would allow you to deduct out-of-pocket medical expenses from your state income taxes?**

- 79 % ... Yes
- 21 % ... No

## ***GETTING AROUND***

**What do you view as the most important priority for transportation funding:**

- |                             |                           |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 64 % ... Roads              | 8 % ... Commuter Rail     |
| 14 % ... Light Rail Transit | 3 % ... None of the above |
| 11 % ... Bus System         |                           |

*Thanks again for taking the time to offer your opinions and ideas. Please feel free to contact me in the future with your questions, comments and ideas! You can reach me by phone at 651-296-7153 or by e-mail at [rep.carl.jacobson@house.leg.state.mn.us](mailto:rep.carl.jacobson@house.leg.state.mn.us)*