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<b>Office and position sought (e.g. LD 50 legislature, position 2)</b>
LD 26 State Senator
<b>Are you an incumbent running for re-election?</b>
Yes
<b>Have you ever served in an elected position? If so, what position, and when?</b>
Yes. State Senator 26th LD, December 2024-Present. Peninsula School Board Member 2015-2022.
<b>How many other Democratic candidates are there in your race (at the time you fill this out)?</b>
zero
<b>I am a Democrat or I am willing to be identified with the Democratic Party (judicial candidates mark as noted)</b>
Yes
<b>Links to your campaign website and/or Facebook or your most informative venue</b>
<a href="https://www.debkforsenate.com/">https://www.debkforsenate.com/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61575289710681">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61575289710681</a>
<b>Term of office</b>
special election
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<b>Why are you running for this position? What in your background has led you to run? (Not to exceed 150 words)</b>
I've always felt called to serve my community. First as a fundraiser for the cystic fibrosis foundation and PTA volunteer, and later as a School Board Member and President of the Peninsula School District. As a mother of three children, I keenly feel the urgency of protecting our children's future. We must leave our planet a better place than it was when we inherited it- that applies to the economy, the environment, and our education system.
<b>Please explain how your campaign will address donations from utilities, fossil fuel companies, and corporate PACs?</b>
I fully reject contributions from fossil fuel companies and those organizations or businesses I believe are contradictory to strong climate action.

**What are your most significant accomplishments either as an individual, member of a group, or elected official on environment and climate change?**

In my first session as a State Senator, I voted to promote transit-oriented development and reduce parking minimums to make progress on reducing our transportation emissions. I also cosponsored legislation to expand our research on PFAS so that we can better tackle their impacts, and to expand the crimes that big polluters can be charged with. I will continue to be an advocate for strong climate action if elected.

**Briefly list organizations, events, rallies, canvassing, referendums, petitions, or policies and legislation you have engaged in to advocate for environmental protections.**

In addition to the actions in the question above and below, I am proud to be endorsed by the Environmental Coalition of Pierce County and Washington Conservation Action, who have been a great partner in pointing the legislature in the right direction on climate policy. I will continue to work closely with them to identify where we best take our next steps. Our community is already feeling the effects of climate change in real and urgent ways. We've experienced several king tides in recent years that have damaged homes and local businesses. Rising sea levels are putting coastal infrastructure at risk, including the highway that provides critical access to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. With the increasing threat of flooding, this not only jeopardizes local transportation and commerce but also impacts national security operations. I will continue to advocate for stronger environmental action through legislation and local organizing to minimize or eliminate these impacts where possible.

**If elected or re-elected what specific environment, climate change, biodiversity, transportation, building and land use, growth management, and/or environmental justice legislation will you prioritize and champion?**

The first specific and actionable climate policy I will focus on next session is to protect and expand funding for ferry electrification. The legislature has made impressive progress in this area over the past several years, including several new hybrid-electric ferries on the way. However, as our State continues to face significant budget challenges, I believe these funds may be at risk - and I don't want to stop at maintenance level funding. We must prioritize full ferry funding in the next session, especially our electrification projects.

**Washington State law sets a target of 90.5 million metric tons (MMT) carbon pollution by 2020, but greenhouse gas emissions rose last year to 102 MMT (Department of Ecology). The state is not on-track. For state office positions, what action will you take to accelerate efforts towards Washington State's 2030 Climate goals, specifically a 45% reduction of carbon pollution below 1990 levels?**

I support bold and balanced climate action: investing in clean energy jobs, and protecting forests, waters, and farmland. We can grow our economy while reducing emissions and protecting the natural beauty that defines our state for future generations. As a member of the Agriculture and Natural Resources and Transportation Committees, I will continue to support legislation to expand public transportation options, protect our natural environment, and promote more sustainable food production systems.