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I am in favor of closing our primaries. In essence it will:Unify each partyWill ensure a candidate who better represents the people working to elect him/herReduce instances of "raiding" between parties.Increase election integrity.I will be at the hearing, and am willing to speak. Thank You--Abby Olson



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As Chairman of the Warren County Republican Committee, I firmly support HB26. Closed primaries has been a plank in the MOGOP platform for as long as I can remember. We have trouble with local and state elections with Democrats crossing over to vote for the least conservative (and many times known democrats) who have filed as a Republican.



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Needed for more accurate representation.			



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HB26 is a straightforward, common-sense bill. The state should not be involved in party politics by statute, but as long as they are, the parties should ensure that those voting to nominate the party's candidate are, in fact, from that party.



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<b>This is a most needed piece of legislation!!</b>			





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Thank you for your willingness to serve. I am support of CLOSED PRIMARY Elections to make sure my vote is counted and not changed by a democrat voter. Finding the best-qualified candidate to represent a party is challenging. I agree that voters in areas with closed primaries have to officially register for a political party before they can vote in the party's primary. This I believe helps to strengthen a party's ability to nominate a candidate of their party's choosing when outsiders are not allowed to participate.



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<b>I support Closed Primary.</b>			



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<b>Please support this bill</b>			



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**I am vice chairman of the Warren County Republican Committee. We support closed primaries.**



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I support Representative Stacy's bill, HB 26, to close primary elections and require voters to declare party affiliation beforehand. Having volunteered for decades for various candidates on election day, I have personally heard voters unabashedly declare their intent to cross their own affiliated party's line in order to control the outcome of their opposing party's race. This is wrong and should not be allowed to continue. Please support this common sense election reform. Dagmar Wood



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Dear Honorable Members of the Elections and Elected Officials Committee, I write to encourage you to vote HB 26 out of committee, "do pass". I believe that closed primaries will protect the process from corruption by keeping people of the opposing party from casting strategic votes intended to give them an advantage. I remember reading about a very good candidate losing an election in a southern state because of a concerted effort of an opposing party casting ballots for just that reason, to deprive him of what would have been a victory, had he survived the primary. Respectfully submitted, Dan Sexson St. Peters, MO





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**We need to protect our party from republicans in name only. I very much support this bill**



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Good Afternoon, my name is David Woody and I am the County Clerk for Clinton County. To begin, I would like to thank you for taking time to listen to my testimony today. As the local election authority, I would like to vocalize my support of closed primaries even though the Clerk's Association does not support them. Over the past few years, I have learned about the different types of elections we conduct and what their purposes. Primary Elections, for example, are actually "nominations" by the parties because candidates are not being elected to a governmental position after a primary election. The winning candidate is actually being nominated to represent the party for the general election where they are actually "elected" to a governmental position by the people. With that being said, I do not think that opposing parties should have a say in who represents the other for the actual election. An "open primary" is used to make a mess of the nominations of the opposite party; usually to help nominate candidate that has a high chance of losing to a party's own candidate in the general or to nominate someone who could be "in-between" on party line issues. It only makes sense for a candidate to be nominated by the party and it's members only to ensure the proper representation of their values. I have personally been affected by Primary Election meddling. I compared previous voter turnout numbers from previous primaries and saw a difference of 1,600 more votes compared to the previous primaries. Unfortunately, the majority of people vote based on the current popular party, causing candidates to change their public affiliations just to get elected or re-elected. This behavior is dishonest, selfish, and needs to be done away with to ensure integrity in our party nominations during primary elections. A Republican works against Democrat principles, and a Democrat works against Republican principles; need I say more on why parties should not meddle in each others process of selecting their candidate who will best represent their values? I want to thank you all again for hearing my testimony and I hope this perspective helps you to see the necessity of Primary Election integrity by making Missouri a closed primary state.



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I support HB 26 because we want the very best candidates we can get in our party. It simply isn't possible for this to occur when the opposing party is allowed to vote in our primaries, in essence having a say in who they want to run against. Unqualified, weak candidates often get the most votes. Close these primaries to the opposing party and let each party's voters pick their own candidates. This is the only fair and sensible way in our election process. Thank you.



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Primaries are for the parties to select their candidates. People that believe in the basic principles of that party. Primaries should not be for the person that is willing to go with the political winds just to get elected. Over the past few years we have seen a number of instances where candidates have essentially been allowed to commit fraud on primary voters and that should stop.



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**Let's clean up the election process. Let's make it honest. Republicans vote Republican and Democrats vote Democrat -- period,**



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I strongly urge a "yes" vote on HB 26. My mentor Phyllis Schlafly wrote a landmark book in 1964 titled *A Choice Not An Echo* in which she argued that the American people were best served by two diverse parties fielding two diverse candidates for elected office. When one candidate caters to the voters in the opposing party to the extreme detriment of his base, he is merely an "echo," not the real choice that Missourians deserve. I believe a closed primary system would give Missourians that choice. In our current open primary system, a member of one party can strategically cross party lines to vote in a heavily contested opposition primary. That kind of electoral trickery undermines the integrity of both parties. Whether the person crosses lines to spoil the race by picking the weakest candidate in the opposition party or by picking the candidate that most closely echoes their party's beliefs, the affect is the same. The vote is case in bad faith. Missourians end up with weaker choices. The will of the voters in their party is best expressed in their respective party platforms. Through these platforms, voters get a glimpse at two different visions for Missouri. Whether a voter chooses to rally behind one vision or the other, or chooses to follow a third path, they deserve real choice where it matters - in the general election. Embracing closed primaries would allow Missouri to follow numerous other states which have curbed bad faith voting with this system. Open primaries don't help either party pick a better candidate, and they certainly don't help Missourians. Closed primaries would give Missouri voters real choice, which is why I encourage you to vote in favor of HB 26.



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Closed Elections Witness Testimony Voters are required to register to vote before they can legally cast an election ballot. So the question is why should voters have to register for a specific party in order to be allowed to vote in that party's primary? Political parties in Missouri are organized at the state and local levels. There is the Missouri Republican Party and the Missouri Democratic Party. There are local / county Republican and Democratic groups or committees in many parts of the state. The purpose of the political organizations is to support their party and their candidates. They search for candidates to run for political offices and support their party's platform and values as they represent their party in the elections. The candidates are intended to generally support the platform of their party. The reason being is so the party members in the legislative body can help conduct themselves as one group supporting their platform and advocating for the interests of their constituents in unison with enough support to accomplish those goals. Having an individual which believes more strongly in the opposition party's platform more than their own party's platform diminishes the joint effort of the party's beliefs and values and weakens the cohesiveness of the party's. That is why in general, the Democratic party and the Republican party wish to have candidates that support the majority of their platforms. As state legislators, all of you have decided which party more aligns with your goals and have chosen to represent that party at the state capitol. The voters elected each of you, based on your voting record and the positions you take to represent your constituents. During the election campaigns, you have probably expressed your views on issues and the position of your party to help guide your decision-making and voting choices for the legislation brought to you and the state house and senate for a vote. Knowing the direction legislators are coming from and specifically their thoughts and considerations for discussions amongst the legislators and initial information to the state voters. In general, the legislators support, propose and discuss legislation based on their own and their party's platform and values. The voters of Missouri deserve to be represented by legislators that support their beliefs they have espoused and whose party platform represents their own goals. The voters of Missouri deserve to be represented by legislators that share their goals and values. Voters elect representatives to promote the voter's values and beliefs. The state political parties and individual state legislature candidates deserve to be supported and voted by citizens who share their goals and direction. Closed primaries help ensure the actual supporters of a particular party are making the decision for who best meets the party and the candidate position. By constricting the voters to a party ballot of their choice, the parties' supporters can help choose who best represents the party and the citizens of the district. The process, timing and restrictions of registering for a specific party will be developed, but having deadlines to register or switch for specific parties will help ensure that voters choosing to partake in a specific party's primary will have a level of trust and commitment to the party they choose. The voters will not be tied to a specific party if they do not or no longer support a specific party. However, the effort and energy taken to register and vote will help ensure that

the voters can more effectively choose their own representative to be their voice. The voters will not be locked permanently to a specific party, but may change in the process and time frames as decided by the state legislature if they feel another party, or no party, best represents them. However, by not choosing a specific party prior to the election, other voters who do not share the goals and values can change some aspects of the candidates for the parties' candidates without any significant belief and sharing of values for the party. A voter may have changed their goals and beliefs or may wish to adversely affect the selection of a party's candidate without honest commitment to the goals and beliefs to the party they are voting in the primary with, even on a short-term basis. It is not fair or equitable to have a voter who does not share beliefs or have commitment to a party to choose the party's candidate. There has been a considerable amount of debating over election integrity at all levels in the country after the 2020 general election. There have been consistent arguments that voter ID requirements suppress minority votes. Parties want to ensure that all eligible voters are able to vote in the elections. Missouri has developed fair and equitable requirements for identifying valid registered voters in order to provide all legal voters the opportunity to cast their ballots for the candidates of their choice. Likewise, the state of Missouri can discuss, debate, and fully develop fair and equitable voter registration requirements and processes to ensure all eligible citizens can have their choices heard in the parties they believe in in order to help put forth the best candidate for the party, and hopefully, the best candidate for the voters.



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<b>I support closed primary elections.</b>			



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I spend a lot of time during the months before a primary working for the person I feel is the best candidate for the job. With our open primaries, that candidate can, in one evening, go down in flames. Why? Because the opposing party turns out in droves to vote for our weakest candidate in the race in an effort to create a stronger win for their side. It is very disheartening and frustrating. I dread it every election cycle. I believe we can promote better fairness by having closed or semi-closed primaries in this state. Please support our efforts to do so. ([Ballotpedia.org/semi-closed\\_primary](http://Ballotpedia.org/semi-closed_primary))Thank you!



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I support HB 26. Many of you know of the problems with Open Primaries allows anyone to vote in your Party's Primary regardless if they are a member of that Party affecting the outcome of who will represent the Party in the General Election. The integrity of the Party selection process is at issue. In 2018, four incumbent Democrats across the State of Missouri attempted to run as Republicans in the Republican Primary election in August that year. One of those Democrat candidates had just won re-election in 2016 to another 4-year term as the Buchanan County Assessor, who was attempting to run in the Republican Primary in 2018 for State Senator of the 34th Senate District (Buchanan and Platte Counties). The Democrat Assessor had not switched Parties as his MEC filings at the time had indicated he would seek re-election in 2020 as a Democrat. State Party workers accepting filing fees for State Rep and State Senate races blindly accept the filing fee and present a receipt that is used by the candidate to file declaration of candidacy with the Secretary of State's office. In our Open Primaries situation, as long as the individual is of the correct age, resided in the district the requisite amount of time is not a felon, and doesn't owe taxes to the State of Missouri, the Secretary of State's office will accept the paid receipt and declaration of candidacy, regardless of Party. As Chairman of the 34th Senate District, I searched for ways to have the incumbent Democrat office holder removed from the ballot. One statute (115.325.5) "... no candidate's name shall be printed on any official ballot until the required fee has been paid." Even though the MRP was convinced to refund the filing fees of the four incumbent Democrats, the problem was there was no mechanism for the Party to "claw-back" the receipt from the Secretary of State's office that was given to these individuals when they paid their filing fee, whether paid to the Party or the election authority (another issue with statute (115.357.2) "The required sum may be submitted by the candidate to the official accepting his declaration of candidacy. All sums so submitted shall be forwarded promptly by the official to the treasurer of the appropriate party committee.") In the end, only Court action could remedy the situation. Suing the Missouri Secretary of State, Jay Ashcroft, and the Democrat attempting to run in our Republican Primary, under the 1st Amendment (freedom of association) and the 14th Amendment (equal protection) of the US Constitution was our only option. Justice Antonin Scalia wrote in *California Democratic Party v. Jones*, 530 U.S. 567 (2000), that political organizations have the right to determine who is a member of their organization, and conversely who is not a member of their organization. A judge had been appointed to hear our case, but that was enough pressure on the Democrat candidate to withdraw his declaration of candidacy, resulting on the removal of his name from being certified on the ballot. The court case was dismissed once the Democrat was no longer on the ballot. Unfortunately, the problem continues to exist. Closing Primaries, whereby individuals have to declare Party affiliation upon registering to vote or declaring their candidacy for office, would go along way to improve confidence of the voter. That the individual they are voting for is a member of the Party they are affiliated with and not have

**individuals perpetrating a fraud upon the voter by running in another Party's Primary.**





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Closed primaries will help prevent raiding of any parties candidate selection. This would give the voter a better chance of getting a Representative that best represents their views. The most frustrating part of our representative government is when voters are not represented. Vote yes for closed primaries.



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We need this bill to pass. HB 26 should NOT be a partisan issue. The different parties should want to put candidates who best reflect their views and opinions forth during a General Election. Unfortunately, what we have now is Democrats voting in Republican Primaries, Republicans voting in Democrat Primaries and neither side ends up with a candidate who fully supports their political stances. This needs to stop as it borders on cheating. It's most certainly unethical. I will be urging my Legislators to support and vote FOR HB 26. I have also strongly recommend others in other districts to do the same. This is one election integrity issue that's time has come. Thank you.



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I am a member of the Republican Party in the City of St. Louis. Every time we get a GOOD Republican candidate to run for office, lo and behold, a unknown and unworthy Republican challenger will appear on the primary. The unknown and unworthy ALWAYS WINS the primary, due to cross over Democrats voting a Republican ballot. The unknown and unworthy Republican is such a bad candidate that the Republican party can not endorse or support him in the General election. He then LOOSES in a massive defeat. It happens every time. We need closed primaries.



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<b>Please support this bill on closed primaries.</b>			



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**It is vital that Missouri close its primaries so that Dem-party decoys cannot run to dilute the Republican's choice of candidate, and vice-versa.**



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<b>I am in favor of HB26</b>			





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Please vote "yes" on HB 26. Closed primaries are an effective way to close the door to electoral shenanigans in Missouri's primaries. Open primaries give ill-intentioned voters the opportunity to cast their ballots in a manner antithetical to the system set forth by our Founding Fathers. Closing this loophole will be immensely beneficial for Missourians of all political parties. For example, had I wanted to maximize the chance of President Trump's reelection in 2020, my surest bet in an open primary would not have been to vote for Trump himself because he was already strongly favored to win the nomination. In that case, the best way for me to help him would have been to vote for the Democrat candidate that I thought was most likely to lose to Trump in the general election. Had enough Republicans done this, they could have created a "spoiler candidate" who did not faithfully represent the interests of Democrat voters. Closed primaries are the surest means by which to close this loophole which allows the creation of spoiler candidates. By requiring voters to only weigh in on the primaries of their preferred political party, the general elections will offer Missourians the very best candidates favored by the people. For this reason, I urge you to vote "yes" on HB 26.



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It is essential that Party identification be required for all candidates. The practice of using open primaries to elect what is perceived as the "weakest candidate" be stopped. Party beliefs and adherence to Platforms by candidates constitutes honesty at the most basic level.



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**We need closed primaries...For too long, "open primaries" have allowed Dems to successfully cross over to the Republican party in primary elections and skew the results. The time has come for "closed primaries"!!**



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**Republicans need to vote for their own candidates. No democrats need apply.**



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Closed primaries are critical for fair, proper, and honest elections. Thank you.			



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When the two party system was created, the intent of a Primary Election, was to give citizens that associate with a specific political party the opportunity to select the best candidate to represent them in a General Election. An Open Primary effectively nullifies this fundamental process in a Democracy. No voters are disenfranchised by a Closed Primary, not Republicans, not Democrats, not Independents as they are all entitled to vote in the General Elections. It is the responsibility of the two main political parties to educate their voter as to the purpose of primaries. It is surprising to me how many voters believe that they are currently "registered Republicans" or "registered Democrats". Will the transition to Closed Primaries be easy for voters, Election Authorities, Elected Officials and the Political Parties themselves? No. Is it the right thing to do to protect the democratic process? Yes



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Please pass HB26 to have Closed Primaries. There's been some trickery when all can vote. Example: you say you are 1 party, then you vote for the other party. If you don't register as R or D, then you don't vote in primary.



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**It is important that my vote is not noliied by someone crossing party lines to defraud or dilute our voting system in Missouri.**



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<b>This will make primaries secure and reliable.</b>			





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Thank you for the opportunity to testify on HB 26. As stated in the Missouri Republican Party platform the Missouri Republican Party supports "Establishing closed primaries requiring all voters casting a ballot to declare a partisan affiliation and make maintaining such declarations as public record."



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WITNESS NAME: <b>NOLA WOOD</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>816-761-9828</b>	
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**Please support HB26.**



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Open primaries have proven to make our 2 party system a farce and a free for all, wide open, organized gang operation. It is all about snuffing the legitimate and thoughtful citizen's vote. It is about take over type politics and anything goes. We must return to honest party operations or we will loose freedoms. Thank you.



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**We need closed primaries for integrity of our parties.**



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**Missouri voters deserve "Closed Primaries". Please pass HB 26.**





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It is my opinion, that individuals within a party should vote for their party representation in the primaries. If someone is not happy with the representation presented to them within their own party, then they should change parties. You have an opportunity to vote in the general election for anyone you choose, but the primaries should be delegated to party members only.



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Thank you for your time, my name is Angie Curley and I'm the Dent County Clerk. HB26 will limit a selection of voters in my county. If my voters are not a registered party, they will only be allowed to vote on ballot issues. My registered voters vote for whomever they want to choose, no matter which party they are affiliated with. We have many voters who cross over to vote especially if there is a particular race they want to vote on and be able to support their candidate regardless of party. On the local level, for me personally, I work for all citizens and it took all registered voters to put me where I am today and elect me. Another concern of mine, It's always a challenge to find poll workers in elections and I do have many elderly election judges who would have to deal with the complaints and voters upset on election day that they cannot vote for a particular candidate. These poll workers are giving back to the community by serving and having to hear these complaints would possibly cost me losing them to work on election day for me.



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**I am Opposed to this Bill. This Bill is taking away Rights and Freedoms of Open-Voting. This Bill disenfranchies Voters and will greatly reduce voter participation.**



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**Closed Primaries are bad for citizens and only help political parties.**





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CITY: <b>CHILLICOTHE</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64601</b>
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I have reviewed HB 26 and upon review, I have serious concerns about changing the primary process in Missouri. While I acknowledge that a few other states have a closed primary system, I believe that what may be done in other states isn't always what needs to be done in the Great State of Missouri. Although I understand the intent of the bill is to ensure that like-minded individuals of similar ideology are determining who the party representative will be for various offices on the ballot, we are of a time where more and more often voters choose the person they most want to hold the office regardless of party affiliation. I have discussed this idea with many voters in my own county and have not found anyone who supports this change, Republicans and Democrats alike. Every single one of them have expressed that they want to choose who they vote for based on the person. They want to vote for their friends, neighbors, fellow church members and family members based on the character of each individual person, regardless of party affiliation. I have learned that so many people believe themselves to be independent for this very reason. I have also learned that so few even know what the party platforms are. For most, if they claim to be a Republican or Democrat, it is because of the parents they were raised by. Another concern is getting the public to understand that they will be required to commit to a party in order to be able to vote for any candidates in a primary election. I can assure you that a majority of the voters will not respond to mailings they receive and will discover on Election Day that they will not be allowed to vote for any of the candidates. At that point, the 65-90 year old election judges will have to explain this and deal with the anger and frustration of the voter. I am certain that Election Authorities across the state will lose a majority of election workers due to this issue. It is already a long and stressful day, this will just amplify that. The cost of informing the public is also a major concern. Multiple mailings and hiring of staff to implement this will be costly. Oftentimes, on the local level, we see positions such as County Commissioner, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff and Coroner determined in the August election with the nominee going on to be unopposed in November. With a closed primary, a small percentage of the registered voters would have a voice in who is elected to serve in these positions. As you know, we elect individuals who assess property, collect taxes, record deeds, keep the records for the county commission, inspect and maintain county roads, conduct elections, pay county employee salaries and county bills, set the county budget, serve as guardians and conservators of incapacitated individuals and set tax rates for all political subdivisions. Should those positions be filled based on an individual's political party? The voters of Livingston County want to elect individuals to serve in those positions based on experience, knowledge, ability and integrity, not political affiliation. An example of how my county has always voted...For decades we were known as a "Democratic County". This has changed in the last few years and we tend to vote more Republican. In 1987, 34 years ago, we elected a Republican State Representative, even though we were considered a "Democrat County" and have continued to do so

since then. I know the party platforms are vastly different in some ways; however, in rural Missouri, most of us tend to have the same values and beliefs even if we claim to identify with different political parties and as I stated earlier, most people claim to be independent. The voters deserve to have their voice heard in every direction. As divided as we currently are in this country, I do not feel that we need to be divided even further by requiring voters to label themselves in order to participate in the process of nominating their chosen candidate. I respectfully ask that this bill be measured with the full weight of closing our primary elections to those that don't want to be labeled by a party, but would rather cast their ballot for the person they feel is best suited to hold the office they are running for. Thank you for your time and consideration regarding HB 26 and the concerns that I have from the perspective of a local election authority.



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<b>No closed primaries and no caucuses!</b>			