



Convention Resolution Submission

Title of Resolution

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT LIMITING A CHANGE IN PARTY AFFILIATION

Summary of Resolution

The Republican Party in South Dakota, in recent times, has been subverted by an honest open process of the ability to change party affiliation from one political party to another. While this is good in theory, it has been abused by people changing parties before a primary election, to vote for someone they have no intention to cast a vote for in the general election. Citizens of South Dakota have the ability to change parties before a primary and change back to their original party before the general election if they wish. This ability is being misused and, in some cases, aimed at electing a candidate less likely to win against the person's real preferred candidate or in other cases, changing parties just to vote for someone not of their party but more of their persuasion; a limit of one-party registration change per year, and only in the years where there is no political party election. This would eliminate much of the problem.

Whereas Statements

WHEREAS, the right to change political parties is a fundamental right that should not be eliminated;

WHEREAS, the unrestricted ability to change political parties at will in an election year has been abused by some people and groups to unjustly influence the outcome of elections rather than because they agree with and support the party platform or a candidate's views;

WHEREAS, Americans have historically used the ballot box and political parties to guide the government; the ballot box should not be unfairly used or manipulated in the election process;

Therefore Statements

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the South Dakota Republican Party strongly supports limiting the registration change from one party to another party to only once per year, and only in the years where there is no political party election.

Conclusion

Supporting Document(s)

Members Who Also Support This Resolution

Confirmation

✓ I affirm I am an active, registered Republican in the State of South Dakota.

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