

Proposal #QQ (5th Substitute)

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ARTICLE 5.4: AFFILIATE PARTIES

Problem: It is not always clear what a "member of another Party" means, particularly because we do not have their membership rolls or rules. The obvious purpose is that we do not endorse candidates from other Parties in partisan races. But it should go beyond that and require that they be a member of our Party and registered as, and running as, a Libertarian if that is an option in that affiliate jurisdiction. This would also clarify the sticky situation in fusion where under the current Bylaws is a violation even if the candidate is running as a Libertarian, registered as a Libertarian, and is a Party member.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>Article 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</p> <p>***</p> <p>4. No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate who is a member of another party for public office in any partisan election. No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these bylaws.</p>	<p>Article 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</p> <p>***</p> <p>4. No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate for public office in any partisan election <u>unless the candidate: a) is not listed under any other partisan ballot line unless the candidate is also listed under the affiliate party's ballot line; and b) is registered to vote under the partisan designation of the affiliate party, if available.</u> who is a member of another party for public office in any partisan election. No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these bylaws.</p>	<p>Article 5: AFFILIATE PARTIES</p> <p>***</p> <p>4. No affiliate party shall endorse any candidate for public office in any partisan election unless the candidate: a) is a member of the Party or the affiliate party; b) is not listed under any other partisan ballot line unless the candidate is also listed under the affiliate party's ballot line; and c) is registered to vote under the partisan designation of the affiliate party, if available. No affiliate party shall take any action inconsistent with the Statement of Principles or these bylaws.</p>

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MARK-UP LEGEND

- In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- Deletions are in ~~red bold italic strikethrough~~.
- Additions are in blue bold underline.
- Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass, and per RONRt8 #13, the convention special rules of order require a 2/3 vote (our bylaws do not require previous notice).

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