

Proposal #LL

Date Heard:

Vote:

Amend Article 5.4: Affiliate Parties

Problem: The Libertarian Party is intended to be an affiliate group of state parties that maintain a distinct political identity separate and apart from other political parties. Over the past few years, due to factionalism, there has been an effort to dilute this intent by soliciting state parties to be dual members of both the LP and another national party, with the possibility that there may be conflicting presidential nominations. The national party needs to be a cohesive unit, no matter what “faction” may be in the ascendency, so that we maintain our unique identity and not fall prey to outside party splitting.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
Article 5: Affiliate Parties 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.	Article 5: Affiliate Parties 4. No affiliate party shall <u>be an affiliate or other constituent unit of any other political party</u> or 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.	Article 5: Affiliate Parties 4. No affiliate party shall be an affiliate or other constituent unit of any other political party or 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.

SPONSORS: Harlos

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).