I support this bill because elections should be decided by a small group of party insiders, not by just anyone who walks in off the street and votes. Right now, any random person who gathers a few signatures can just *be* on the ballot - not fair. But with this bill, we can finally stop that nonsense and make sure only the *right* people get to run.

Party conventions are way better than primaries anyway. Instead of thousands of people voting, a couple dozen dedicated delegates—who are chosen in meetings that most people don't even know about—can make these decisions for the rest of us. That way, we don't have to worry about candidates trying to appeal to the *whole* public. They just have to win over the most *engaged* party members, which is obviously the best way to pick leaders.

Plus, this bill puts the Secretary of State in charge of making sure party rules are followed. Some people might say, "Hey, isn't that government overreach?" but actually, it makes perfect sense. Because if theres one thing political parties need, it's more government oversight of their private operations.

By passing HB 1424, we can finally make elections more simple: the party picks the candidates, and voters just accept it. No more annoying choices, no more messy primaries or voting—just good old-fashioned politics, done the way it *should* be, outside of the few of the voters.

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