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Jungle Primary

Are you aware that Carson City voters will vote on 6 Petition Initiative Questions in November ? You can find the petitions here on the Secretary of State's page, https://www.nvsos.gov/sos/elections/initiatives-referenda/2020-petitions.

Today let's talk about Petition Initiative S-03-2020 the so called Jungle Primary question. First, let's define a closed partisan primary election. Each political party uses the closed partisan primary process to nominate its own candidates (voted on by all qualified registered voters of their respective parties) for advancement to the general election. All major and minor parties are allowed to have candidates placed on the various primary ballots. Party affiliated candidates without a competitive primary and qualified non-affiliated candidates are advanced to the general election. Remember, being a member of a political party is akin to being a member of a private club.

Proponents of the jungle primary tell us "no party affiliation" voters are locked out of primary elections. This is simply not true. NPA voters are qualified to vote on each item in any primary election that is not associated with a partisan election. The jungle primary proponents want to impose upon the private political parties the ability of any voter to intrude on the nominating process of the various private political parties.

What say you ? As usual I would like to hear from you either here on this page, at mariceforward2@gmail.com, or give me a call at 775-297-6484.