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General Election Poll Proves
Democrat Wendy Davis Not Representing Senate District 10 Voters
By Fighting the Voter ID Law in Federal Court

Polling data shows strong support for Photo Voter ID requirement across partisan and ethnic groups in State Senate District 10

Fort Worth, Texas---Tomorrow Democrat State Senator Wendy Davis will testify in a Washington DC federal court against the new Texas Voter ID law, but a recent poll of voter viewpoints in her own district shows Davis will be contradicting her own constituents who strongly support the new state law.

According to a recent public opinion survey of 400 general election voters, the new voter law is strongly favored by all partisan and ethnic voter groups in Davis' own district. The survey found Republican primary voters, Democratic primary voters and Non-primary voting general election voters ALL strongly supporting the new photo voter identification requirement. Additionally, the survey found the new law strongly supported by White, Black and Hispanic voters. The survey was conducted in April with a +5% margin of error at a 95% level of confidence.

Davis’ Republican opponent, Republican State Representative and physician Mark Shelton says “Davis will make a false statement in the federal court case if she claims her district does not support the new state photo voter ID bill. There is strong support for the new photo voter ID law among all partisan and ethnic voter groups in State Senate District 10.”

Shelton also referenced a February 2012 Rice University Study (conducted by Mark Jones, Chairman of Rice's Political Science Department) of 684 nonpartisan State Senate roll call votes in the last legislative session. The study noted that Davis was one of the top two most "liberal" members of the Texas Senate and was “at the liberal edge of the Senate ideological spectrum” and was out-of-step with the viewpoints of her own constituents making her “an unabashed Texas liberal.” Source: http://www.texastribune.org/texas-legislature/texas-legislature/guest-columnist-how-partisan-are-texas-state-senate/

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State Senate District 10 General Election Voter Survey
Question: “Do you favor or oppose requiring voters to provide a valid photo ID to vote?”

Republican Primary Voters
Favor: 89%
Oppose: 9%
Undecided: 2%

Democratic Primary Voters
Favor: 57%
Oppose: 39%
Undecided: 4%

Independent Voters
Favor: 77%
Oppose: 21%
Undecided: 2%

Black Voters
Favor: 62%
Oppose: 38%

Hispanic Voters
Favor: 69%
Oppose: 31%

White Voters
Favor: 79%
Oppose: 19%
Undecided: 2%
Texas State Senate District 10
General Election Benchmark Survey
April 12 - 14, 2012
400 interviews of General Election Voters

Survey conducted by The Eppscein Group 617-735-3454

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Do you favor or oppose requiring voters to provide a valid photo ID to vote?

Favor
Oppose
Undecided

Primary Voters

Republican
Democrat
Non-Primary
Undecided

Ethnic Breakdown

White
Black
Hispanic
Undecided

9% 8% 2% 2% 57% 39% 4% 64%
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0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0% 0%
19% 38% 62% 7% 60% 40% 20% 2%
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