



AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

Texas

To: Interested Parties

From: The ACLU of Texas

Date: February 14, 2020

Re: New polling shows voters in Texas Senate District 27 in support of LGBTQ+ equality and abortion access

Executive Summary

The ACLU of Texas conducted a poll in Senate District 27 of 659 likely Democratic primary voters on key civil liberties issues facing the district and the race for Texas State Senator. The poll was conducted from January 8-11, 2020.

The poll shows that voters Senate District 27 support reproductive rights and LGBTQ+ equality. Many voters are undecided about who they plan to support in the March 2020 election.

Key takeaways:

- **More than 1/3 of primary voters remain undecided**

After receiving information about Senator Lucio's voting record on abortion access and LGBTQ+ equality, 34% of respondents were uncertain which candidate would earn their support in the March election.

- **Voters support access to abortion healthcare**

56% of respondents think state lawmakers should make it easier for people to access to abortion care. 69% said they were less likely to vote for Senator Lucio after hearing that he voted¹ to require that doctors give people medically inaccurate information about the risks of abortion.

- **Voters strongly support equality for gay, lesbian, and transgender Texans**

71% of respondents think state lawmakers should provide more protections for LGBTQ+ Texans. 66% indicated they were less likely to vote for Senator Lucio after hearing that he voted² to allow state-licensed workers to legally deny services to LGBTQ+ Texans.

- **Faith-based voters in Senate District 27 support LGBTQ+ rights and abortion access**

66% of respondents who attend church at least once per week support increasing protections for LGBTQ+ Texans and 68% believe lawmakers should not make abortion more difficult to access in Texas.

This ACLU of Texas poll was conducted by Public Policy Polling. The margin of error is +/- 3.8%. 50% of interviews were conducted by telephone and 50% by text message.

1 [Senate Bill 2243](#) (86th Legislative session, 2019), [Senate Bill 24](#) (86th Legislative session)

2 [Senate Bill 444](#) (86th Legislative session, 2019)

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