

Re-Elect Republican

STATE SENATOR

Albert Robinson



Endorsements and Honors:

- ✓ Right To Life
- ✓ National Rifle Association
- ✓ Fraternal Order of Police
- ✓ Peasant's Press Patriot Award
- ✓ Family Heritage Forum
- ✓ Taxpayer's Best Friend
- ✓ 60-Plus Association
- ✓ Small Business Survival Committee
- ✓ Americans for Tax Reform
- ✓ Nat'l Federation of Independent Bus.
- ✓ Burley Co-op Growers "Friend of Tobacco"



Endorsed By Congressman

Hal Rogers

An Open Letter From State Senator Albert Robinson

Dear Friends,

First, allow me to apologize for the negative tone my opponents have taken. In twenty-one times on the ballot, I have never encountered a dirtier campaign, nor have I seen one which was more based on personal vilification.

Every charge or accusation they have brought against me are either part truths exaggerated, distorted, misleading, or out right lies.

Many issues that are voted on in the Legislature are bills that are in their final form. The only choice you have is to either vote for a "little bad" or against a "lot of good." So, sometimes you must take a "little bad" in order to get a "lot of good." So either way you vote the "Monday Morning Quarterback" can always tell you about the "wrong plays."

We all have heard about the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. If we are fair and impartial and if we want the truth, first of all instead of taking the word of the opposition, we should check for ourselves. We should read the entire bill then determine what choices there were and what we would have done if we were the one voting on that issue.

Over the years I have been in the Legislature, I have voted thousands of times. Not every one will agree with all the votes I have cast and there are some, that thinking about them today, I probably would change or wish I had voted differently. Even though you will not agree on every vote, I hope you will concentrate on the fact that I have a large consistent, long standing record of conservative votes, of votes with the people of the district in mind.

I have not, nor will I participate in personal attacks against my opponent. I have stated before and will again state "I have known Lawrence Kuhl a long time and he's a nice man. He's been involved in the community and helped with civic and volunteer activities over the years." That is why I am sure he was not the one who wrote the negative articles and made negative ads for radio and TV. I believe he is a better man than that. I believe it came from Paul Patton and the liberal Democrats who will say or do anything they can to try to win and take us back to the one party control of this state.

If Lawrence Kuhl did not do these negative attacks, (as I am certain that he did not) it is further proof of what I have stated all the time. Lawrence Kuhl is a Democrat. Even though he wanted to be a conservative, he could not be. He could not be his own man.

The record shows Democrats are not allowed to be conservatives in Frankfort. Why? The Democrats from other parts of the state are liberals and the liberals control what happens. They are the legislative leaders. They pick committee members to do their bidding. Liberals run committees when there is a democrat majority and he will be required to vote and count with the liberal democrat leadership on important issues. Because if he didn't go along, he would be ostracized and thrown out of his own party's caucus. And if you don't believe me, just ask Senator Benny Ray Bailey.

Look at the 1998 coalition between five democrats and the republicans. All five of the democrats were ostracized and thrown out of the democrat caucus. Of those five, one did not run for re-election, and two others were defeated in a democrat primary by opponents that Paul Patton selected and supported.

One of the first and most crucial votes Lawrence Kuhl, as a Democrat, would have to make in Frankfort is the vote for Senate President. He would be forced to vote for one of the most liberal members of the General Assembly, David Karem of Louisville, for President. David Karem would then pick the Chairman of the committees and members of the committees and we've seen how that worked in the past. Liberals would control the Senate, they would control the committees and they would control the bills that are voted on, and they would also, as in the past, hold and refuse to let pass, pro-life, pro-family, pro traditional beliefs and values, pro right to bear arms, and other measures that we as conservatives hold dear. The liberals would hold these bills and not let them out of committee even though a majority of the members are for the bill. When the liberals are in control - that's how Frankfort works.

Another critical vote Lawrence would have to face - the vote on redistricting. The next General Assembly will redistrict this state and over the years the Democrats have done everything they can to get rid of as many Republican office holders as possible through this process. One of the first things they will do with redistricting is remove Hal Rogers from representing our region. As we all know, they tried in 1992 to defeat Hal when they put him in Eastern Kentucky. After they're through, Hal will be put in Fayette County or Central Kentucky, not Jackson, Knox, Laurel, Rockcastle, and Whitley counties, and we'll lose one of the most important assets we have for continuing the progress we've made the last few years. Lawrence will have to face a vote on that bill. And he'll also have to face the incredibly partisan redistricting of our State Senate and State Representative districts.

It is unbelievable what the Democrats did to Laurel County and Pulaski County when they split each county into five different state legislative districts just because we were Republicans. If you think Democrats would be friendly to our Republican counties, you had better think again. If I am re-elected and the Republicans remain in control of the State Senate, I, Albert Robinson, as Chairman of the State and Local Government Committee that will oversee re-districting, will have a strong voice in that debate.

So you see, there is more at stake here than my re-election. The issue at stake is the future of the Senate and the future of Kentucky. The issue before us today is bigger than me or my opponent - it reaches all the way to Frankfort and all the way to Washington and I want you to think about that as you consider which of us to support and vote for. Do we go back to the one party control as we had for more than 200 years? Or do we keep in place the great Republican team - our United States Senators Mitch McConnell and Jim Bunning, our United States Congressman Hal Rogers, and our Republican majority in the Kentucky State Senate? It is in your hands.