**Caucus 101: Where do YOU stand? Iowa’s Shortest Political Survey!**

**Directions:** For each issue, determine which side describes your beliefs most accurately by placing a check mark in the box for either Side A, or Side B. When you are finished, answer the questions at the bottom of the page.

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| **Issue** | **Side A** | **Side B** |
| **Immigration** | Support legal immigration, provide amnesty, create path to citizenship. | Support legal immigration, strengthening current laws, and protecting borders. |
| **Abortion** | Believes decisions on abortion should be left to the woman, doctors, and families. | Oppose abortion and support laws protecting life from conception to natural death. |
| **Gay Marriage** | Supports gay marriage and all the rights or benefits that come with marriage. | Opposes same-sex marriage and supports constitutional amendment defining marriage as between one man and one woman. |
| **Gun Control** | Supports background checks, restrictions on assault rifles, limit access to firearms under certain circumstances. | Strongly believe in right to bear arms and oppose restrictions to those rights. |
| **Minimum Wage** | Support increasing federal minimum wage to a “living wage”. | Oppose any minimum wage established by the federal government. |
| **Legalization of Marijuana** | Supports legalization of cannabis oil for medical use. Views vary on legalization of marijuana for medical or recreational purposes. | Supports legalization of cannabis oil, but oppose legalization of marijuana for medical or recreational purposes. |
| **Climate Change** | Evidence that climate change is caused by humans. Support regulations protecting environment and reducing carbon emissions. | Insufficient evidence that climate change is caused by humans. Opposes any regulation associated with “climate-change”. |
| **Role of Government**  **(States’ Rights)** | Need large, centralized government to make decisions for entire country. Promotes fairness, efficiency, and consistency. | Limit the size and scope of federal government. Let states make their own decisions on laws. |
| **Government Spending** | Reduce defense spending, increase taxes on the highest earners, and increase spending on social programs to solve problems. | Drastically reduce government spending in all areas, except for defense. Promote individual responsibility and private organizations. |
| **Health Care** | Health care is a “natural right” and supports “Obamacare” and government spending for health care. | Repeal “Obamacare” and leave health care to individuals and market-based solutions. |
| **Military and Defense** | Reduce defense spending and seek diplomatic solutions to international conflicts. | Increase defense spending and protect freedom at home and around the world. |

**Add up the total number of check marks you have from each side.** **Side A: \_\_\_\_\_ Side B: \_\_\_\_\_**

*\*Side A represents the views of liberals/Democrats, and Side B represents the views of conservatives/Republicans.*

1. Which side best describes your political beliefs? (circle one): Liberal/Democrat Conservative/Republican
2. Are you surprised by your results? Why or why not?
3. How might this information influence who you support in the Iowa Caucus?