

# **STAFFORD DENOUNCES DURBIN VOTES AGAINST INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM AND SMALL GOVERNMENT**

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South Beloit, IL, September 3, 2008 - Libertarian U.S. Senate Candidate Larry Stafford today announced his displeasure at votes cast by senior Illinois U.S. Senator and Democratic incumbent Dick Durbin.

“Senator Durbin has a troubling voting record against reductions in government spending and for reductions of individual freedom,” said Stafford.

As examples, Stafford cites votes cast by Durbin to:

- loosen restrictions on cell phone wiretapping (10/01)
- oppose \$40,000,000,000 in reduced federal spending (12/05)
- reauthorize the PATRIOT Act (3/06)
- allow illegal aliens to participate in Social Security (5/06)

“Illinois citizens need a senator who will have their interests at heart and reign in federal spending, which will make government more efficient and lower taxes,” said Stafford. “Especially in the present economy, frugality at the federal level would resonate with the people of Illinois, who have been hit hard by higher food and energy bills. Senator Durbin's message is that belt-tightening is only done by working people, not by government.”

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