

Congressman Rick Boucher

**P.O. Box 2000
Abingdon, Virginia 24212**

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Mr. George DeVault
Holston Valley Broadcasting Corp.
222 Commerce St
Kingsport, TN 37660-4319

Dear George:

I am writing to request that WKPT discontinue airing the commercial sponsored by Americans for Job Security (AJS) currently running on your station since it contains information that is obviously false.

The commercial claims that my votes align with those of the Democratic Speaker 96% of the time. This statement can never be supported since the Speaker almost never votes and has no complete record against which my votes can be compared.

Further, the survey that yields the 96% statistic is meaningless. The survey that reveals this number (www.opencongress.org) shows that I vote with Republican leaders approximately 50% of the time. According to the survey, I vote with Rep. Bob Goodlatte, former Republican Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, 51% of the time, with Rep. Greg Walden (House Republican Leadership Chair and Vice Chair of the NRCC) 57% of the time, with Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (House Republican Conference Vice Chair) 54% of the time, with Rep. John Boehner (House Republican Leader) 47% of the time and with Rep. Eric Cantor (House Republican Whip) 48% of the time. It would be impossible for a Democratic Member with the above record to be voting with the Speaker 96% of the time, even if such a comparison were possible.

The information in the AJS commercial is more than misleading; it is false. For that reason I am asking that you not continue running the ad.

Thanking you for your attention to this request, I remain with kind regards

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick".

Rick Boucher
Member of Congress