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N.J. SENATE POLL: Hugin, Menendez locked in a statistical tie

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GALLOWAY, N.J. – It's close, Save Jerseyans. Real close.

That's according to the results of a new poll of 531 New Jersey likely voters released on Monday by Stockton University showing incumbent Democrat U.S. Senator Bob Menendez and Republican challenger Bob Hugin in a *statistical dead heat*.



Menendez is ahead 45% to Hugin's 43%, well within the poll's +/- 4.25% margin of error, while Libertarian candidate Murray Sabrin registers at 3%.

“With a two-point lead falling within the poll's margin of error, the Senate race at this point is up for grabs,” said Michael W. Klein, interim executive director of the Hughes Center. “Bob Hugin has been attacking Senator Menendez on ethics with a heavy advertising campaign. However, with so many voters still unfamiliar with the Republican, Menendez will likely try to define his challenger in negative terms.”

59% of those polled told Stockton that Menendez's corruption woes (<https://savejersey.com/2018/04/bob-menendez-ethics-committee-senate/senator-robert-menendez-public-letter-of-admonition-2/>) are significant factors towards making their decision.

Menendez has now led by 6-points or less in the four most recent public polls

(https://www.realclearpolitics.com/epolls/2018/senate/nj/new_jersey_senate_hugin_vs_menendez-6506.html), and this is the first time Hugin has cracked into the mid-40% range while Menendez remains well-short of the 50% mark.

Click here (<https://stockton.edu/news/2018/poll-us-senate-race-menendez-hugin.html>) to read the full polling report.

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