

## State Senate Primary Debate Canceled

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**Galloway, N.J.** - A proposed primary debate between State Senate Republican candidates Vincent Polistina and Seth Grossman has been canceled after Polistina declined to participate.

The William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at Stockton University and the League of Women Voters of Atlantic County had invited the candidates to a May 11 online debate. The forum had been proposed via Zoom and YouTube Live because of the continued COVID-19 coronavirus precautions. Grossman had accepted the debate invitation.

On Saturday, Polistina campaign manager Joe Berg emailed a League representative saying the former assemblyman will not participate in online debates. The League of Women Voters has a policy of not participating in one-candidate forums and withdrew its event co-sponsorship.

The Hughes Center and the League of Women Voters will co-sponsor an online debate between Democratic primary candidates for Atlantic County clerk at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27. The two candidates, Egg Harbor City Mayor Lisa Jampetti and activist Mico Lucide have agreed to participate. Links to the debate are on the Hughes Center website at [stockon.edu/hughes-center](http://stockon.edu/hughes-center).

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