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Bush addresses gay rights issue

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Questioned by an anti-gay rights publication, Gov. George W. Bush said yesterday that he opposes gay marriages and that a court erred in striking a ban on gays in the Boy Scouts.



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Publishers of the newsletter said Bush's comments were "a good start" but said they had more questions about the Republican presidential front-runner's position on gay rights.

Bill Horn is a leading anti-gay rights activist who publishes a newsletter called *Straight from the Heart*. He has been questioning presidential campaigns about their views on gay issues.

Pushed to detail the Texas gov-

ernor's positions, the Bush campaign sent Horn a brief statement yesterday.

"Governor Bush believes marriage is between a man and a woman and therefore does not believe in gay marriages," the statement said. He also opposed adoption by gay couples because "he believes children ought to be adopted in families with a man and woman who are married."

Bush told the newsletter that he believes the New Jersey Supreme Court "was wrong" when it struck down the Boy Scouts' ban on gays in the organization.

"He believes the Boy Scouts is a private organization and they should be able to set their own standards," Bush's statement said.

"This is a good start," Horn said. "There are a couple of other things we want answers on."

Horn said he would press Bush

to offer views on "the gay and public education" and on the partner laws allowing beneficiaries in a gay relationship.

"My recommendation would be to provide those questions to us, and we will provide answers to him," spokesman Eric Woolson said.

Horn said the questions had been posed to all the Republican presidential candidates, and former cabinet officer Elton Dole and Arizona Sen. John McCain had failed to respond.

The other candidates also posed the gay rights issue, Horn noted.

Many of Bush's rivals are front-runners in vague on issues and ducks tough questions. Bush counters that he will not out a detailed agenda as the campaign unfolds, but will do his own pace.

Perry welcomes fellow party-switcher

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Rick Perry — who switched from the Democratic Party to the GOP a decade ago — welcomed a batch of party-switchers into the Republican fold yesterday but said he will not campaign against incumbent Democrats in the Texas Senate, over which he presides.

"I'm not going to actively get out there and work against sitting, incumbent senators. I think that causes substantial problems in a body that is very civil, cooperative and bipartisan," Perry said after appearing with several county officeholders at a party-switching announcement by the state GOP.

The 31-member Senate has 16 Republicans and 15 Democrats.

Up for election in 2000 are seven seats currently held by Republicans and eight held by Democrats. Among them is Sen. Gregory Luna, D-San Antonio, who is not expected to seek another term because of health problems.

Perry's position on incumbent Democratic senators was called smart by a party-switcher who went in the other direction, former Republican and state Democratic chair Molly Beth Malcolm.

"I think he is aware that the Democrats who are serving in the Texas Senate are outstanding statesmen and women who do what is right for this state, so I think that is a smart decision on his part," Malcolm said.

Perry and the chair of the state GOP, Susan Weddington, hailed the switching of 15 current and for-

mer county-level officeholders from various parties.

Weddington affixed Republican Party pins to her lapels and to Perry's, saying that the GOP party did not have pins when he joined the party in 1989.

"Why make pins for one person?" she joked.

Since then, the GOP has surged in Texas to point that Republicans now hold all 29 statewide offices, besides controlling the Senate, and public Gov. George W. Bush is his party's presidential contender.

Nationally, more than 416 elected Democratic officials have changed political parties since 1992, party officials said. More than 104 of them, plus those who had switched, have been in Texas, party officials said.

"These individuals have demonstrated tremendous courage and a commitment to conservative principles by leaving the Democrat Party and joining the emerging majority party in Texas — the Republican Party," Weddington said.

Malcolm, the Democratic leader, had a different view. "These officials switched out of a misguided sense of political expediency," she said.

"The Democratic Party plans to create a political environment that will make them regret their switching. Any time, give me public servants who will stand for principle over those who put expediency and their own careers ahead of the interests of the people."

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