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Thank you for your letter of August 12 expressing your concerns regarding the information on the white numbered tickets given to voters.

Local election authorities have the discretion to establish procedures, including the utilization of voter tickets, to improve elections in their jurisdictions. The St. Louis County Board of Elections reports that its polling places use voter tickets to ensure that each voter receives the correct ballot. In addition, these voter tickets can assist local election authorities conduct accurate and fraud-free elections. Many polling places include more than one precinct and, therefore, individuals voting at the same location may be voting for different state representatives or state senators. The voter ticket also helps local election authorities maintain an accurate number of votes cast and verify that only eligible Missourians voted at the polling place.

I hope that this address your concern. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brianna Lennon".

Brianna Lennon
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