

REPUBLICAN SPECIMEN BALLOT

MARSHALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION

MARCH 17, 2026

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN MARSHALL COUNTY ON TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026.



JILL M. KENYON, COUNTY CLERK
MARSHALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FEDERAL	
FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> CASEY CHLEBEK <input type="radio"/> DON TRACY <input type="radio"/> R. CARY CAPPARELLI <input type="radio"/> PAMELA DENISE LONG <input type="radio"/> JIMMY LEE TILLMAN, II <input type="radio"/> JEANNIE EVANS	
STATE	
FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> (TED DABROWSKI (CARRIE MENDOZA <input type="radio"/> JAMES MENDRICK (ROBERT RENTERIA <input type="radio"/> (DARREN BAILEY (AARON B. DEL MAR <input type="radio"/> (RICK HEIDNER (CHRISTINA NEITZKE-TROIKE <input type="radio"/> (Write-in _____ _____	
FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> ROBERT W. FIORETTI <input type="radio"/> Write-in _____	
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> WALTER ADAMCZYK <input type="radio"/> DIANE M. HARRIS	
FOR COMPTROLLER (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> BRYAN DREW	
FOR TREASURER (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> Write-In _____	
CONGRESSIONAL	
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> DARIN LaHOOD <input type="radio"/> Write-in _____	
LEGISLATIVE	
FOR STATE SENATOR FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> CHRIS BALKEMA	
REPRESENTATIVE	
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEVENTY-THIRD REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> RYAN SPAIN	
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> TIM RUESTMAN	

COUNTY	
FOR COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> JILL M. KENYON	
FOR COUNTY TREASURER (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> CYNTHIA A. NIGHSONGER	
FOR SHERIFF (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> WAYNE STRAWN II	
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION	
FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (MASON, TAZEWELL AND WOODFORD COUNTIES) (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> JEFFREY SHANE EKENA	
FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (LaSALLE, MARSHALL AND PUTNAM COUNTIES) (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION	
FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (BUREAU, HENRY AND STARK COUNTIES) (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> KATHY MARSHALL	
FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (PEORIA COUNTY) (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
COUNTY BOARD	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT ONE (Vote for not more than two)	
<input type="radio"/> DAVID MINNICK <input type="radio"/> WILLIAM G. MAUPIN <input type="radio"/> TROY PARLIER <input type="radio"/> MARGARET A. TONINY	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TWO (Vote for not more than two)	
<input type="radio"/> JAMIE D. DURHAM <input type="radio"/> WILLIAM FECHT	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT THREE (Vote for not more than two)	
<input type="radio"/> MALACHI COX <input type="radio"/> B. JUSTIN MEIERKORD <input type="radio"/> BRUCE DUDLEY	
PRECINCT	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON BELL PLAIN (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON BENNINGTON (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON EVANS (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON HENRY 1 (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON HENRY 2 (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON HOPEWELL (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> Write-In _____	

FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON LACON 1 (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> Write-in _____	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON LACON 2 (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON La PRAIRIE (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON RICHLAND (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON ROBERTS (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON SARATOGA (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON STEUBEN (Vote for one)	
No Candidate	
FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON WHITEFIELD (Vote for one)	
<input type="radio"/> DAVID LUEDERS	

U.S. Farm Bill Drops, Outlines 5-Year Funding



By Thérèse Boudreaux/ The Center Square

The U.S. House Agriculture Committee dropped the text of the U.S. farm bill Friday, an 802-page package authorizing various nutrition, rural development and farm support programs.

The Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2026 renews and enhances crop insurance and price support, disaster assistance, risk management programs, operation and marketing loans, and federal agricultural research.

It also outlines investments in rural broadband connectivity, forest management, water infrastructure, and hospital assistance, as well as the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP).

Committee Chair Glenn Thompson, R-Pa., called the bill, still in draft form, "long overdue" and said the committee will begin marking it up Feb. 23.

"This bill provides modern policies for modern challenges and is shaped by years of listening to the needs of farmers, ranchers, and rural Americans," Thompson said in a statement. "The farm bill affects our entire country, regardless of whether you live on a farm, and I look forward to seeing my colleagues in Congress work together to get this critical legislation across the finish line."

Although Congress is supposed to pass a new farm bill every five years, the most recent farm bill passed in 2018. If passed, the newly introduced farm bill would last through fiscal year 2031.

Some Democratic lawmakers, however, have already come out against the bill. Provisions in the bill that many Democrats oppose include limiting federal investments into solar projects located on forest or prime farmland, and loosening restrictions on PFAS chemicals and pesticides.

While the legislation also includes many bipartisan policies – such as establishing a new three-year rural childcare initiative – it "fails to meet the moment," according to committee Ranking Member Angie Craig, D-Minn., said.

"Farmers need Congress to act swiftly to end inflationary tariffs, stabilize trade relationships, expand domestic market opportunities like year-round E15 and help lower input costs," Craig argued. "The Republican majority instead chose to ignore Democratic priorities and focus on pushing a shell of a farm bill with poison pills that complicates if not derails chances of getting anything done."