



# Straight Party Voting Outlawed

NEW RULES

Voters in Missouri will face new challenges in the November 2006

importance of participation by encouraging family and friends to vote in this critical election.

election. Straight party ballots, which many voters prefer, have been eliminated. We will also be required to utilize new voting machines in both St. Louis City and St. Louis County. Democrats in the 1st Congressional District of Missouri are working to overcome barriers put in place to discourage voter turnout. We are stressing the

Straight party voting allowed you to vote for all of the candidates of one party by simply punching the num-



*Congressman Clay talking with Attorney Margaret Bush-Wilson*

ber for that party. The Republican controlled state legislature viewed it as a benefit to the Democratic Party, so they prohibited it. Democrats should not be discouraged. They should be conscientious voters by voting for each Democratic candidate.

