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## Sen. Loudon Announces a Name Change of His Own

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JEFFERSON CITY— On the heels of debate concerning name changes for several Missouri universities, and in light of the continued misspelling of his surname, Sen. John Loudon, R-Chesterfield, announced today he is changing his name. He will from now on be known as Sen. John Louden. That's Louden, with an "e."

Sen. Louden announced that if 75 percent of people cannot get his name right, a change would just be easier for everybody.

"The mayors in my district misspell my name, as do police chiefs, school superintendents, members of the media, my chief of staff," Louden said. "I've even had family members spell it wrong, which is unexpected when you think about it."

Sen. Louden frequently receives letters from constituents. While he said he is dedicated to every request and concern that reaches his desk, the frequent misspellings fostered his own identity crisis. Gradually, the name Louden just felt more comfortable, he said.

"After a while, I wasn't sure who Sen. John Loudon was anymore," Louden said. "It is all much clearer now. I am Sen. John Louden."

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