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Brian Smith Is Sent Home

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ST. JOHN -- Senator At-Large Brian Smith was trounced in the polls on Saturday night, as voters in resounding fashion voted against the loud senator in favor of someone new.

Mr. Smith's fall was expected after being recorded on video by The Consortium on the corner of the Sunny Isle Intersection with a Government Employees' Retirement System sign that read "Save GERS". Asked how being on the corner, as a lawmaker, would help the pension system, Mr. Smith choked up, eventually telling the reporter to "go do what makes you happy."

The video went viral, with over 34,000 views on our [Facebook platform](#).

But the video was not Mr. Brian's only blunder. He recently praised the Limetree Bay/GVI oil refining agreement, proclaiming during a hearing, "glory days are here again!" But when it was time to take the important vote, Mr. Smith had already left for St. John.

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He was also caught sleeping during hearings.

Of the three candidates who sought the Senator At-Large office, Mr. Smith came in last with 1,237 votes. The winner of the race was Steven D. Payne, Sr., with 3,265 votes, followed by Stacey B. January with 1,923 votes. Mr. Payne will go on to face Angel L. Bolques Jr. and Ann Francis in the general election on November 6.