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(Neb.)-Backed By GOP, Fischer Touts Bipartisan Approach



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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - GOP U.S. Senate candidate Deb Fischer is promising to work with Democrats if elected, but she made her pledge at a news conference surrounded by an all-Republican group of lawmakers.

Fischer, a state senator from Valentine running against Democrat Bob Kerrey, announced the endorsements Monday of 75 current and former Republican state lawmakers from across the state.

Both Fischer and Kerrey have pitched themselves as the best candidate to work across party lines.

Fischer says she worked with Democrats during her eight years in the Legislature, and designated several Democratic-sponsored measures as her "priority bills."

Asked why no Democrats joined with Republicans to attest to her bipartisan approach, Fischer responded, "I have a great group of senators here behind me."

The Kerrey campaign didn't immediately return a call seeking comment.