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Editor's Report

Thank you for the opportunity to edit your paper. It was a pleasure to review your work, which was compelling. I have focused on correcting the grammar and improving the flow of the work throughout and have applied US English conventions, as requested.

Please carefully read through my edits and in-text comments—which provide further detail and suggestions for improvements—before accepting or rejecting any changes. In addition, please review the table below for an assessment of your manuscript and an overview of key points that have been addressed.

I wish you the best of luck with your paper, and I look forward to working with you again soon.

Sincerely,

S. D., BA

Summary	
Abstract	The abstract presents the material in the paper briefly and accurately. I do not think this section needs major changes.
I. Parties with a Gambling Problem: Vote Buying as a Risky yet Persistent Strategy	This section provides some background information on vote buying and notes some flaws in the existing literature on the topic. It then explains how the paper will analyze vote buying using prospect theory. In addition, this section explains how the paper will contribute to the existing literature and provides an outline of the paper's structure. I do not think this section needs major changes.

II. Traditional Theories of Clientelism and Expected Utility Theory	This section explains traditional methods of analyzing and predicting vote buying and explains some weaknesses the authors see in those methods. I do not think this section needs major changes.
III. Prospect Theory and Its Implications for Clientelism: When Losses Loom Larger than Gains	This section provides details about prospect theory and explains the theory's implications for vote buying. I do not think this section needs major changes.
IV. Experimental Design: Buying Votes in the Lab	This section provides details regarding the design of the experiment used to empirically test the paper's ideas, including how the participants were selected. While the mentioned figures are missing, I assume they will be present in the final version. I do not think this section needs major changes.
V. Statistical Analyses: Vote Buying and Risk	This section analyzes the data collected from the experiment described in the previous section and provides interpretations of the results. While the mentioned figures and equations are missing, I assume they will be present in the final version. I do not think this section needs major changes.
VI. Discussion	This section summarizes the results of the experiment and explains some of their implications for real-world political scenarios. It also mentions some limitations of the study and suggests avenues for future research. I do not think this section needs major changes.