

To members of the committee:

I appreciate your service to our great state and appreciate you taking the time to read my testimony. I heard about SB 343 and SB 791 coming up in the legislature and I want to express my opposition to these bills. I firmly believe that our election methods must be changed to be more democratic, fair, representative, and open, but I do not believe that RCV is the best reform option out there. Research shows that ranked choice voting has a high percentage of votes not counting in the deciding round and there is still a spoiler effect in many elections. I urge this body to reject these bills and instead adopt the STAR voting method (HB 3250) instead. There are many similarities between RCV and STAR voting, but after much reading and research, I've come to the conclusion that STAR is the best alternative voting method out there. What I like most is that every resident's full vote always goes to the finalist they prefer, so even if their favorite candidate doesn't win, they can still vote with their conscience and know that their vote made a difference.

Thanks again for reading my testimony and I hope that you listen to my words.

Kind regards,  
Kory