

We certainly need to change from our current "Choose One" voting method, which causes spoilers when you vote your conscience in elections with more than two candidates (see our recent Portland Mayoral race as an example of that failure). However, RCV is only slightly better than what we have now. Star Voting is the better option. With STAR Voting your full vote always goes to the finalist you prefer, so even if your favorite can't win, it's safe to vote your conscience. Star voting is easier for voters to use, and results in fewer spoiled ballots. STAR Voting is more accurate and elects the finalist preferred by the majority. SB 343 currently excludes Star and Approval voting. Amend this bill to include Star and Approval, or pass HB 3248 instead.