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I am strongly opposed to ranked choice voting. As demonstrated by Alaska last year, ranked choice voting causes lots of confusion amongst voters; it complicates instead of simplifies the voting process, it tends to favor the moderate and centrist candidate since they get the average number of votes versus the first choice of many voters who don't get a broad consensus. This method of voting disenfranchises voters and disconnects elections from issues, it and allows candidates with marginal support from voters to win by eliminating genuine binary choices between two top-tier candidates. <https://www.heritage.org/election-integrity/report/ranked-choice-voting-bad-choice>.

Alaska implemented RCV in 2020 and are now seriously moving to repeal it after last year's disastrous election. Let's learn by their example and not even make the move to change to RCV. Vote no on HB 3509.