I strongly oppose HB 3509 for the same reasons that I oppose HB 2004:

- Contrary to some who support RCV, ranked choice voting is NOT "a proven voting method to better achieve several important goals." Historically, it has already been shown to neutralize the vote of a majority of the people (e.g. in Maine and Alaska).
- Because RCV is so dependent on machines, the vote is highly vulnerable to hacking and human programming error (unintentional or not), making audits much more challenging, if not impossible.
- Rather than leading to "more civility on the campaign trail," it would more likely lead to a dilution of the facts and message as well, as candidates may be tempted to appeal to more people at the expense of truth, which many people already are finding hard to know in a world of disinformation and censorship.
- It will NOT create a "better voter experience." In fact, RCV is complicated for most voters to understand and may force many voters to vote for candidates they don't want. That's a very real form of social injustice and disenfranchisement.

Please vote NO on HB 23509.