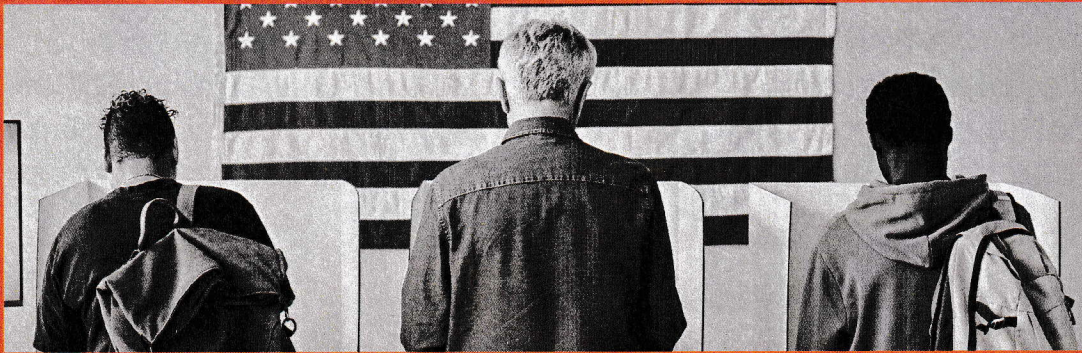


WHAT IS QUESTION 3?

RANKED CHOICE VOTING






1 CALIFORNIA-STYLE 'JUNGLE' PRIMARIES

The first prong of RCV installs 'open' or 'jungle' primaries—meaning any registered voter, regardless of party affiliation, can cast a vote for their preferred candidate—from which the top five candidates will advance to the November general election.



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The second prong of RCV requires that voters list their preference of the remaining five candidates for the general election; if no candidate receives more than 50% of first-place votes, then an 'instant runoff' occurs

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RANKED CHOICE VOTING COMPLICATIONS AND ERRORS

BALLOT EXHAUSTION

One of RCV's greatest deficiencies is the phenomenon of 'ballot exhaustion'—when a ballot is cast but does not count toward the end election result. This occurs when a voter overvotes, undervotes, or only ranks candidates that have already been eliminated on their ballot. Ballot exhaustion is pervasive in RCV elections; it leaves votes uncounted and voices disenfranchised. 'Exhausted' RCV ballots are discarded—inevitably leading to increased voter disenfranchisement.

DECREASED VOTER TURNOUT

Jurisdictions which have embraced RCV have experienced comparably lower voter turnout. A 2016 Cato Institute study examined voter turnout in five San Francisco elections from 1995 to 2011 and found that the “adoption of RCV exacerbated disparities in voter turnout between those who are already likely to vote and those who are not, including younger voters and those with lower levels of education.”

THE CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE

Whether or not one agrees with the merits of ranked-choice voting, it would be very unwise to enshrine such an unproven and confusing system into our state constitution. If Nevadans choose to enshrine RCV in the constitution and later find the new system to be complicated, burdensome, or otherwise undesirable, a prolonged constitutional process would be required to abolish it and return to the 'one person, one vote' status quo.

COMPLEXITY AND CONFUSION

RCV is needlessly complicated and confusing. RCV urges voters to make decisions about all the candidates on the ballot, prompting them to cast their vote for candidates they may disapprove of or know nothing about. It is likely there will be more candidates on the primary ballot than any individual can possibly research. Moreover, a lack of familiarity with RCV naturally creates more confusion for both voters and election administrators, making it more prone to tabulation error and long-delayed election results.



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THE PERILS OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING

Ranked Choice Voting (RCV), or "instant runoff voting," is a complex election system meant to confuse and silence voters.



No longer would elections be "one person, one vote." The process for RCV is burdensome on voters, making corruption inevitable.



Candidates would never have to take a stance on critical issues because RCV favors centrist candidates.



What is Ranked Choice Voting?

What RCV does:

Destroys Election Integrity

Silences Voters

Disenfranchises

Confuses Voters

Delays Results

What RCV does not do:

Promotes the Majority Voice of Voters

Secures Elections

Makes the Candidate with the most 1st place ranks the winner

HERE ARE THE FACTS

MAINE

In the 2018 election, voters reported confusion with RCV, and faced multiple delays.

MINNEAPOLIS

In the 2013 Mayoral election, poll workers shared that the complexity of the process created unnecessary delays.

SAN FRANCISCO

In the 2004 Mayoral election voters were forced to wait weeks before a winner was announced.

ARIZONA

Arizonans have the opportunity to prohibit RCV on the 2024 General ballot.

ALASKA

RCV passed by half a percent and has created confusion, lowered voter turnout, and disenfranchised voters.

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