



2023 South Dakota Legislature
Senate Bill 55
ENROLLED

AN ACT

ENTITLED An Act to prohibit ranked-choice voting.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That chapter 12-1 be amended with a NEW SECTION:

The State Board of Elections may not authorize and a political subdivision may not adopt or enforce in any manner a rule, resolution, charter provision, or ordinance establishing a system of voting for any office where:

- (1) Voters rank candidates in order of preference;
- (2) Tabulation proceeds in rounds where in each round either a candidate is elected or the last-place candidate is eliminated;
- (3) Votes are transferred from elected or eliminated candidates to the voter's next-ranked candidate in order of preference; and
- (4) Tabulation ends when a candidate receives the majority of votes cast or the number of candidates elected equals the number of offices to be filled.

An Act to prohibit ranked-choice voting.

I certify that the attached Act originated in the:

Received at this Executive Office this ____ day of _____,

Senate as Bill No. 55

2023 at _____ M.

Secretary of the Senate

By _____
for the Governor

President of the Senate

The attached Act is hereby approved this _____ day of _____, A.D., 2023

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Governor

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,

ss.

Office of the Secretary of State

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Filed _____, 2023
at _____ o'clock __ M.

Chief Clerk

Secretary of State

Senate Bill No. 55
File No. _____
Chapter No. _____

By _____
Asst. Secretary of State