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3 By Senator Orr
4 RFD: County and Municipal Government
5 First Read: 29-Feb-24



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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to elections; to add Sections 11-46-10 and 17-1-6 to the Code of Alabama 1975; to prohibit the use of any ranked-choice voting method in elections except for electors who vote by absentee ballot pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Sections 11-46-10 and 17-1-6 are added to the Code of Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

§11-46-10

(a) Ranked-choice voting shall not be used in determining the election or nomination of any candidate to any local office.

(b) As used in this section, the term "ranked-choice voting" means a voting method that allows electors to rank candidates for an office in order of preference and tabulates ballots cast in multiple rounds following the elimination of a candidate until a single candidate attains a majority.

(c) This section shall supersede any provision in this title that conflicts with this section.



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29 (d) This section shall not apply to electors who are
30 entitled to vote absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed
31 and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. § 20301,
32 et seq.

33 §17-1-6

34 (a) Ranked-choice voting shall not be used in
35 determining the election or nomination of any candidate to any
36 local, state, or federal office.

37 (b) As used in this section, the term "ranked-choice
38 voting" means a voting method that allows electors to rank
39 candidates for an office in order of preference and tabulates
40 ballots cast in multiple rounds following the elimination of a
41 candidate until a single candidate attains a majority.

42 (c) This section shall not apply to electors who are
43 entitled to vote absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed
44 and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. § 20301,
45 et seq.

46 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
47 1, 2024.



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51 Read for the first time and referred29-Feb-24
52 to the Senate committee on County
53 and Municipal Government

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55 Read for the second time and placed06-Mar-24
56 on the calendar:
57 0 amendments

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59 Read for the third time and passed09-Apr-24
60 as amended
61 Yeas 34
62 Nays 0
63 Abstains 0

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66 Patrick Harris,
67 Secretary.
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