

An idea from the Great (big) State of Alaska:
(Likely Ballot Initiative for Congressional and State Offices.)

Rather than simply let voters choose which party's primary to vote in regardless of which party they're registered with—as they are permitted to do in open primary States, Alaska would allow a different approach.

Their reform would abolish traditional primaries and have all candidates run on a single primary ballot regardless of party.

The top **four** finishers would advance to the general election regardless of their party affiliation, and the general election would then use instant-runoff voting to select the winner.

I think this is a very interesting approach to Democracy!

Some education of the voters would likely be required.

Ballots would take a different look in the Primary and General Election.

Also, the Primary results could be easily tabulated, but some software creation and implementation would be needed for the General Election.

(These costs unknown.)

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Good Luck on the Short Session