

We certainly need to change from our current "Choose One" voting method, which causes spoilers when you vote your conscience in elections with more than two candidates. However, RCV is only slightly better than what we have now. It has a long history of being passed and then repealed. Peer reviewed studies show that it can result in spoilers in 15% of elections or more, and on average over 10% of ballots are not counted in the deciding round. The number of wasted votes is consistently higher for communities of color. Star Voting is the better option. With STAR Voting your full vote always goes to the finalist you prefer, so even if your favorite can't win, it's safe to vote your conscience. Star voting is easier for voters to use, and results in fewer spoiled ballots. STAR Voting is more accurate and elects the finalist preferred by the majority. SB 791 establishes RCV when it is clearly not the best option available. Please support HB 3250 instead, which would establish Star Voting as the default method for Oregon.