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I support HB 2004. Ranked choice voting encourages voters disenfranchised by their lack of options to participate. I have heard from countless people I've met in life that they haven't voted because the candidate they want doesn't stand a chance. Additionally, I think ranked choice voting opens options to candidates that people might pass on. Some voters worry an unsatisfactory candidate might win if they don't vote with everyone else. I can say I personally have voted for a candidate I was okay with rather than one I would have preferred for this exact reason. To a degree, people begin voting against a candidate rather than for one.

In conclusion, HB 2004 can fight some areas of disenfranchisement, will increase viable candidate options, and lead to a healthier democracy overall. I am in support of this bill.