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On Behalf Of: myself
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Please vote no on 2004. I live in Alaska and we have a petition to stop RCV after just one election of using it. It was a horrible, confusing mess. Seniors are confused and felt excluded. Candidates campaigning spent their time explaining RCV instead of the issues they stand for. The way the votes are processed is by a computer program made by a small group of people. It's difficult to verify the count. People don't understand how it works and that leads to unintended results. All elections should be in person, with hand counts and witnesses at every stage. They should be simple and easy to understand for everyone. The results of an election should be easy to recount and verify. RCV is the opposite of all these things. It is not fair, it is confusing for many people and it excludes many seniors' voices. In Alaska the petition to End Ranked Choice Voting is spreading like wildfire. It will be on the ballot during the next election and we will vote it out. Please don't make the same mistake we did. Some of the winners of our last election were not who we wanted.

Please vote no on this bill and learn from our mistake.

Thank you, Pamela Samash

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