

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:32  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Support of HB 1 and 4

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Mike Coons <mcoons@mtaonline.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 21, 2023 8:24 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Support of HB 1 and 4

Sarah, I see that HB 4 is your legislation thus our support of both.

Mike

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**From:** "Mike Coons" <mcoons@mtaonline.net>  
**To:** "Rep George Rauscher" <Representative.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov>  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** Support of HB 1 and 4  
**Date:** Sat, 21 Jan 2023 07:53:46 -0900

George

First off, I wish to express my enthusiastic thankfulness that you have put forward this legislation. I have read others you have submitted and fully support them as well. Individual letters of support will be forthcoming.

As an individual and as President of the Concerned Conservatives of Alaska, I/we full support repeal of Rank Choice Voting (RCV). This abomination was sold by very slick snake oil salesmen with the financial support of big DARK MONEY, i.e. George Soros a foreigner! As well all know, RCV did not stop DARK MONEY! In fact it was even more!

RCV was designed for one thing and one thing only, to ensure that socialists whom would not have a normal chance of election a real shot. It also helped and designed for RINO's to be elected as well. RCV did away with Primary elections. A Democrat or a Republican could run against other Democrats or Republicans in a Primary race. The result was one Democrat and one Republican then ran for the General Election. Third Party still ran in the General, Thus in the General we had several choices to decide from. As has happened in our nation since the first election there has been two candidates that were close as to choice by the voters.

Yet, the voter chose one and only one. That has worked for over 2 centuries! RCV reversed that history and solid means of electing our legislators!

We MUST reverse the theft of our elections by socialists in and out of our State and Nation! The Concerned Conservatives of Alaska, even though we may be young but rapidly approaching 500 members Statewide full support HB1 and HB4! We understand that the Senate will not be receptive to this since the majority of them were elected because of RCV! That said, we ask that so long as the Senate refuses to address these bills and the Senate version by Senator Mike Shower that any and all Senate legislation that may come to your Committee(s) be denied hearing and

fully blocked. Any Senate Legislation that comes to the floor must also be denied and fully blocked, preferably in the Rules Committee.

We just learned that the Citizen Initiative to Repeal RCV has been approved by the Lt Governor. With you and many other Legislators efforts to pass this Repeal and the Citizen Initiative, the legislature must listen to We The People now. If not now, we will do what the legislature refused to do!

Mike Coons  
President Concerned Conservatives of Alaska

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: RANK CHOICE VOTING

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**From:** Carol Carman <d29@mtaonline.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 22, 2023 4:44 PM  
**To:** Rep. George Rauscher <Rep.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov>  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Cathy Tilton <Rep.Cathy.Tilton@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** RANK CHOICE VOTING

Dear Representative Rauscher,

I support HB1 and HB4! Rank Choice Voting must go! I want it gone because it is far too complicated. There are just too many variables to stick to a single strategy for each race. Too many people were confused and some didn't even vote, because of the complexity. We need to go back to one vote for each voter, and let parties hold their own primaries.

Please hear that we want RCV GONE!

Sincerely,

*Carol Carman*

*D29 Chair*

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Support HB1 and HB4

**From:** Don Haase <haasedj@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 22, 2023 4:56 PM  
**To:** Rep. George Rauscher <Rep.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov>; Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Support HB1 and HB4

Dear Representatives,

Thank you for submitting HB1 and HB4. Rank Choice Voting must go!

I want to go back to 1 vote for 1 person all counted in 1 day! It is ridiculous that we must now wait weeks to know who won a race and who sits in the majority. Not only is it frustrating, but it gives the appearance that cheating can take place while we wait on results.

For election integrity, I want RCV gone. I applaud you both for the bills you have written.

Sincerely,

Don Haase  
Box 3423  
Valdez AK 99686  
(907)831-3608

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: email sent to Gary Stevens  
**Attachments:** image001.png

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**From:** Don and Paulette Poole <dlpooleplpoole@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 8:30 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: email sent to Gary Stevens

Yes, you may add me to the list. This Rank Choice is just plain RANK, like a very stinky thing!  
I am very angry that we must spend the next 2 years and the next 6 years dealing with second place finisher or worst.  
Don Poole

On Wed, Jan 25, 2023, 8:13 PM Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)> wrote:

Good Evening Mr. Poole,

Thank you for contacting me about rank choice voting. I always appreciate hearing from Alaskans about the important issues that face our state.

I am delighted to hear that you are in **support of HB1 and HB4**. I agree with you that Rank choice is undoubtedly an overwhelming detrimental change to our election process. It certainly is a terrible disappointment to Alaskans. I have listened to people all over the state express how they want to **go back to one person, one vote**, and I will do my best to restore the public trust in our elections!

**THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP REPEAL RCV:**

**Stay informed:**

You can use **SMS Bill Tracking** to keep up with our efforts to repeal rank choice voting by texting the bill number (ex: HB1/HB4) to 559-245-2529 to get text alerts about the bill's status.

**Provide Verbal Testimony:**

I need individuals willing to **provide verbal public testimony in favor of repealing this confusing system**. My team is gathering testifiers to speak on the reasons for opposing RCV and supporting HB1 and HB4 by describing personal experiences with the system and how it undermines election integrity. If this interests you, please do not hesitate to contact my office by phone or email to be added to the repeal RCV contact list!

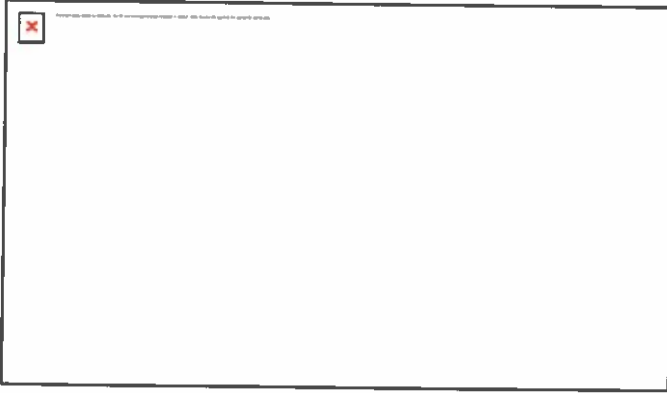
Thank you again for contacting me and caring about this critical issue in our state.

Respectfully,

## *Rep. Sarah Vance*

Chair of House Judiciary

Chair of House Special Committee on Fisheries



**From:** Don and Paulette Poole <[dlpooleplpoole@gmail.com](mailto:dlpooleplpoole@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 15, 2023 12:09 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)>  
**Subject:** email sent to Gary Stevens

January 15, 2023

[Senator.Gary.Stevens@akleg.org](mailto:Senator.Gary.Stevens@akleg.org)

Senator Gary Stevens,

I want to encourage you to vote NO on the Ranked-Choice Voting. It is the worst voting system possible. I learned how to vote in First Grade in Grammar School. It was written on a piece of paper and the winner was easy to count. This ranked-choice voting system cost the state millions of dollars to educate the public on television. The advertisement was irritating enough but it was repeated many times during the day and night.

It was too difficult and too slanted toward Senator Murkowski, one of the backers of the new system because she could only be elected this way. Tshibaka was the most first place vote-getter and should have been elected, but Murkowski beat her with the second-choice votes. It was a terrible way to disappoint most Alaskans. I am sure you are hearing from many who also thought they were hood-winked with this new system. I have heard it was pushed by George Soros and the Democrats because there was no other way they could possibly win. Murkowski is a Rino, Republican In Name Only and she voted to impeach President Donald Trump twice when most Alaskans supported him.

Please schedule this vote for dumping the ranked-choice vote even though you personally think it is great. It is NOT great, only a way to cheat the system and allow Democrats to win.

Sincerely,

Donald Poole  
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CC: Sen. Mike Shower - [Senator.Mike.Shower@akleg.gov](mailto:Senator.Mike.Shower@akleg.gov)  
Rep. George Rauscher – [Representative.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov](mailto:Representative.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov)  
Rep. Sara Vance - [Representative.Sara.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Representative.Sara.Vance@akleg.gov)

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*"I care not what others think of what I do, but I care very much about what I think of what I do! That is character!"*

*Theodore Roosevelt*

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Rank Choice Voting - Repeal It

**From:** Larry Zuccaro <l.l.zuccaro@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 26, 2023 7:08 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Rank Choice Voting - Repeal It

Dear Representative Vance,

We are writing to let you know of our concerns regarding rank choice voting.

After attending four sessions on learning how to vote using the rank choice method, we realized that most of our friends who had not attended sessions would be very confused when going to the polling booth. In fact, we had quite a few call and ask us about how to vote because of this.

This past years' election saw Mary Peltola elected by ~33% due to RCV! She was definitely not elected to her position by popular vote.

Because of RCV, less people turned out to vote even though it was a very important election for our state's future. And later evidence of even more dark money was found than before being used to influence voters. It's my understanding that RCV was on the ballot along with a measure to limit dark money, which is how the measure was approved.

Please ensure that our voting is returned to it prior status of 'vote who you want to be elected'.

Larry and Lonnie Zuccaro  
907-299-6655  
Homer, Alaska

Sent from my iPad



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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:29  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: New Pom:Elections

-----Original Message-----

**From:** montana.girl@protonmail.com <montana.girl@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 20, 2023 10:09 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** New Pom:Elections

Connie Akers  
Po Box 2433

Homer 99603,  
montana.girl@protonmail.com  
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9072994860

Dear Sir/Madam: RCV is a disaster despite the cheerleading of Scott Kendall & friends. We ended up with Murkowski and Peltola, neither of who would have been elected under our tried & true system of party primaries. Repeal RCV now. The outcry against it is undeniable.

Sincerely,  
Connie Akers

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:26  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Dominion

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**From:** Liz Chase <[beachmfishery@gmail.com](mailto:beachmfishery@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 12, 2022 11:53 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Dominion

Thank you so much for your email..... Paper ballots! Our state is small enough to handle it all..... also lets get rid of RCV for good and clean up the voter rolls. How hard can that be? what is the process to clean up the rolls?  
Liz

On Wed, Dec 7, 2022 at 11:15 AM Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)> wrote:

Good morning Liz,

As you know, I have been working on election reform for several years. The current Director at the Division of Elections is retiring and we hope to have someone who will make positive changes to clean up our systems in the state.

I hope to have positive news in the coming months.

Respectfully,  
Rep. Sarah Vance

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**From:** Liz Chase <[beachmfishery@gmail.com](mailto:beachmfishery@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 19, 2022 10:09:12 AM  
**To:** Michele Hartline <[hartlines@hotmail.com](mailto:hartlines@hotmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Dominion

Please read and let me know what we can do. This Dominion thing is not going away..... how can we trust our own elections in Alaska when these machines are still allowed in our boroughs.

Liz Chase  
(907) 262-3233

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**From:** Donald Johnson <[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)>  
**Date:** Thu, Nov 17, 2022 at 9:24 PM  
**Subject:** Dominion  
**To:** Liz Chase <[beachmfishery@gmail.com](mailto:beachmfishery@gmail.com)>

On Nov 17, 2022, at 9:23 PM, Donald Johnson <[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)> wrote:

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

Richard - [rderkevorkian@kpb.us](mailto:rderkevorkian@kpb.us)

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Jesse - [bjorkman@kpb.us](mailto:bjorkman@kpb.us)

Tyson - [tysoncox@kpb.us](mailto:tysoncox@kpb.us)

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Cindy - [cecklund@kpb.us](mailto:cecklund@kpb.us)

Brent - [bjohnson@kpb.us](mailto:bjohnson@kpb.us)

Lane - [chesley@kpb.us](mailto:chesley@kpb.us)

On Nov 17, 2022, at 9:20 PM, Donald Johnson <[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)> wrote:

Dear Richard,

I am contacting you regarding the Dominion Voting Systems components you have selected for the KPB to use within all of its election systems. I am claiming that the following KPB Dominion Voting Systems are NOT reliable or secure.

(Dominion Democracy Suite Software, Election Event Designer, ImageCast voting, ImageCast Precinct Scanner and Tabulator and the ImageCast X with BMD and the ImageCast Central Scanner).

The reason I claim this Dominion election equipment is NOT reliable or secure is because of the forensic reports that are coming in from around the world regarding Dominion Voting Systems. I have referenced one of these reports below. These reports conclude that "Dominion Voting Systems is intentionally and purposefully designed with inherent errors to create systemic fraud and influence election results".

My question to you is "how can you trust a company that Harvard and Duke Universities computer and election experts don't trust?" How does the KPB Assembly conclude that it knows better than experts at NASA and MIT who believe Dominion Voting Systems should NOT be used within any election system? I claim that kind of arrogance takes a lot of nerve or just a clueless attitude.

I am requesting that you gather up the guts to actually question if it is wise for the KPB to trust our democratic republic to a company that is mostly owned by foreign governments and is suspected of designing and selling election systems that "deliberately generate inherent errors which are intended to create systemic FRAUD?"

I'm pretty certain that if Fred Meyer was suddenly suspected of selling banana's that deliberately generated FRAUD, that you probably wouldn't be buying those banana's. But you are okay with buying electronic voting

equipment from a company that is suspected of deliberately generating FRAUD? Doe's this kind of logic actually make sense to you? You wouldn't buy food suspected of supporting fraud but you would buy voting equipment suspected of supporting fraud? Dominion Voting Systems is suspected of designing and selling election systems that "deliberately generate Inherent errors which are intended to create systemic election FRAUD" and you are doing NOTHING about it. I am requesting that you do something about it.

I understand that the KPB leases Dominion Election equipment on a two year cycle. I am requesting that the KPB locate and secure an alternative manufacturer for future KPB elections. Once an alternative election equipment manufacturer is located I request that the KPB inform Dominion Voting Systems that the KPB will not be renewing its current Dominion Voting Systems lease contract.

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**Forensic Report of Voter Fraud on Dominion Machine Results, Released by Judge Elsenheimer and approved for public release December 14th,**

Ammoland Inc. Posted on [January 1, 2021](#) by [Dean Weingarten](#)

**This is the forensic report from Antrim County in Michigan, which was originally blocked by Judge Elseheimer of the 13th Circuit Court. This report directly applies to Michigan Dominion Voting Systems but Dominion is selling these same voting systems in Alaska. You Need To Read The Entire Report Below.**

more: <https://www.ammoland.com/2021/01/forensic-report-of-voter-fraud-on-dominion-machine-results-released-by-judge/#ixzz7kvkzQcGk>

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This is a PDF scan of the [Allied Security Operations Group](#), Antrim Michigan Forensics Report, Parts A & B. The full report is in [PDF format at this link](#). I have edited the scan to keep it accurate. The table in B 3. is a bit rough. Any mistakes are my own and not from the Allied Security Operations Group. The entire report is important, but the highlights are:

The conclusion is the system was intentionally and purposely designed with internal errors to create systemic fraud and influence election results.

(finding 2.)

- The vote totals varied significantly on different dates, showing the unreliability of the tabulation system. (finding 3.)

- o The vote adjudication logs for 2020 are missing. Adjudication logs for previous years exist. (finding 15.)
- o Server security logs prior to 11:03 pm on November 4, 2020 are missing. Sever logs before November 4, 2020, are present. (finding 16.)
- o On November 21, 2020, an unauthorized user unsuccessfully attempted to zero out election results. This demonstrates additional tampering with data. (finding 17.)

**Read all 23 findings. Read the **entire report** at the link.**

This report reveals the way fraud could have been done on Dominion machines across the nation. Here is the scan of the report, parts A and B:

REVISED PRELIMINARY SUMMARY, v2

Report Date 12/13/2020

Client: Bill Bailey

Attorney: Matthew DePerno

#### A.WHO WE ARE

1. My name is Russell James Ramsland, Jr., and I am a resident of Dallas County, Texas. I hold an MBA from Harvard University, and a political science degree from Duke University. I have worked with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), among other organizations, and have run businesses all over the world, many of which are highly technical in nature. I have served on technical government panels.

2. I am part of the management team of Allied Security Operations Group, LLC, (ASOG). ASOG is a group of globally engaged professionals who come from various disciplines to include Department of Defense, Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security, and the Central Intelligence Agency. It provides a range of security services, but has a particular emphasis on cybersecurity, open source investigation and penetration testing of networks. We employ a wide variety of cyber and cyber forensic analysts. We have patents pending in a variety of applications from novel network security applications to SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) protection and safe browsing solutions for the dark and deep web. For this report, I have relied on these experts and resources.

## B. PURPOSE AND PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

1. The purpose of this forensic audit is to test the integrity of Dominion Voting System in how it performed in Antrim County, Michigan for the 2020 election.

2. We conclude that the Dominion Voting System is intentionally and purposefully designed with inherent errors to create systemic fraud and influence election results. The system intentionally generates an enormously high number of ballot errors. The electronic ballots are then transferred for adjudication. The intentional errors lead to bulk adjudication of ballots with no oversight, no transparency, and no audit trail. This leads to voter or election fraud. Based on our study, we conclude that The Dominion Voting System should not be used in Michigan. We further conclude that the results of Antrim County should not have been certified.

3. The following is a breakdown of the votes tabulated for the 2020 election in Antrim County, showing different dates for the tabulation of the same votes.

Date Registered Voters Total Votes Cast Biden Trump Third Party Write-In TOTAL VOTES for President

Nov 3	22,082	16,047	7,769	4,509	145	14	12,423
Nov 5	22,082	18,059	7,289	9,783	255	20	17,327
Nov 21	22,082	16,044	5,960	9,748	241	23	15,949

4. The Antrim County Clerk and Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson have stated that the election night error (detailed above by the vote “flip” from Trump to Biden, was the result of human error caused by the failure to update the Mancelona Township tabulator prior to election night for a down ballot race. We disagree and conclude that the vote flip occurred because of machine error built into the voting software designed to create error.

5. Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson’s statement on November 6, 2020 that “[t]he correct results always were and continue to be reflected on the tabulator totals tape . . . .” was false.

6. The allowable election error rate established by the Federal Election Commission guidelines is of 1 in 250,000 ballots (.0008%). We observed an error rate of 68.05%. This demonstrated a significant and fatal error in security and election integrity.

7. The results of the Antrim County 2020 election are not certifiable. This is a result of machine and/or software error, not human error.

8. The tabulation log for the forensic examination of the server for Antrim County from December 6, 2020 consists of 15,676 individual events, of which 10,667 or 68.05% of the events were recorded errors. These errors resulted in overall tabulation errors or ballots being sent to adjudication. This high error rates proves the Dominion Voting System is flawed and does not meet state or federal election laws.

9. These errors occurred after The Antrim County Clerk provided a re-provisioned CF card with uploaded software for the Central Lake Precinct on November 6, 2020. This means the statement by Secretary Benson was false. The Dominion Voting System produced systemic errors and high error rates both prior to the update and after the update; meaning the update (or lack of update) is not the cause of errors.

10. In Central Lake Township there were 1,222 ballots reversed out of 1,491 total ballots cast, resulting in an 81.96% rejection rate. All reversed ballots are sent to adjudication for a decision by election personnel.

11. It is critical to understand that the Dominion system classifies ballots into two categories, 1) normal ballots and 2) adjudicated ballots. Ballots sent to adjudication can be altered by administrators, and adjudication files can be moved between different Results Tally and Reporting (RTR) terminals with no audit trail of which administrator actually adjudicates (i.e. votes) the ballot batch. This demonstrated a significant and fatal error in security and election integrity because it provides no meaningful observation of the adjudication processor audit trail of which administrator actually adjudicated the ballots.

12. A staggering number of votes required adjudication. This was a 2020 issue not seen in previous election cycles still stored on the server. This is caused by intentional errors in the system. The intentional errors lead to bulk adjudication of ballots with no oversight, no transparency or audit trail. Our examination of the server logs indicates that this high error rate was incongruent with patterns from previous years. The statement attributing these issues to human error is not consistent with the forensic evaluation, which points more correctly to systemic machine and/or software errors. The systemic errors are intentionally designed to create errors in order to push a high volume of ballots to bulk adjudication.

13. The linked video demonstrates how to cheat at adjudication: <https://mobile.twitter.com/KanekoaTheGreat/status/1336888454538428418>

14. Antrim County failed to properly update its system. A purposeful lack of providing basic computer security updates in the system software and hardware demonstrates incompetence, gross negligence, bad faith, and/or willful non-compliance in providing the fundamental system security required by federal and state law. There is no way this election management system could have passed tests or have been legally certified to conduct the 2020 elections in Michigan under the current laws. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures – Michigan requires full compliance with federal standards as determined by a federally accredited voting system laboratory.

15. Significantly, the computer system shows vote adjudication logs for prior years; but all adjudication log entries for the 2020 election cycle are missing. The adjudication process is the simplest way to manually manipulate votes. The lack of records prevents any form of audit accountability, and their conspicuous absence is extremely suspicious since the files exist for previous years using the same software. Removal of these files violates state law and prevents a meaningful audit, even if the Secretary wanted to conduct an audit. We must conclude that the 2020 election cycle records have been manually removed.

16. Likewise, all server security logs prior to 11:03 pm on November 4, 2020 are missing. This means that all security logs for the day after the election, on election day, and prior to election day are gone. Security logs are very important to an audit trail, forensics, and for detecting advanced persistent threats and outside attacks, especially on systems with outdated system files. These logs would contain domain controls, authentication failures, error codes, times users logged on and off, network connections to file servers between file accesses, internet connections, times, and data transfers. Other server logs before November 4, 2020 are present; therefore, there is no reasonable explanation for the security logs to be missing.

17. On November 21, 2020, an unauthorized user unsuccessfully attempted to zero out election results. This demonstrates additional tampering with data.

18. The Election Event Designer Log shows that Dominion Image Cast Precinct Cards were programmed with new ballot programming on 10/23/2020 and then again after the election on 11/05/2020. These system changes affect how ballots are read and tabulated, and our examination demonstrated a significant change in voter results using the two different programs. In accordance with the Help America Vote Act, this violates the 90-day Safe Harbor Period which prohibits changes to election systems, registries, hardware/software updates without undergoing re-certification. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures – Michigan requires full compliance with federal



standards as determined by a federally accredited voting system laboratory.

19. The only reason to change software after the election would be to obfuscate evidence of fraud and/or to correct program errors that would de-certify the election. Our findings show that the Central Lake Township tabulator tape totals were significantly altered by utilizing two different program versions (10/23/2020 and 11/05/2020), both of which were software changes during an election which violates election law, and not just human error associated with the Dominion Election Management System. This is clear evidence of software generated movement of votes. The claims made on the Office of the Secretary of State website are false.

20. The Dominion Image Cast Precinct (ICP) machines have the ability to be connected to the internet (see Image 11). By connecting a network scanner to the ethernet port on the ICP machine and creating Packet Capture logs from the machines we examined show the ability to connect to the network, Application Programming Interface (API) (a data exchange between two different systems) calls and web (http) connections to the Election Management System server. Best practice is to disable the network interface card to avoid connection to the internet. This demonstrated a significant and fatal error in security and election integrity. Because certain files have been deleted, we have not yet found origin or destination; but our research continues.

21. Because the intentional high error rate generates large numbers of ballots to be adjudicated by election personnel, we must deduce that bulk adjudication occurred. However, because files and adjudication logs are missing, we have not yet determined where the bulk adjudication occurred or who was responsible for it. Our research continues.

22. Research is on going. However, based on the preliminary results, we conclude that the errors are so significant that they call into question the integrity and legitimacy of the results in the Antrim County 2020 election to the point that the results are not certifiable. Because the same machines and software are used in 48 other counties in Michigan, this casts doubt on the integrity of the entire election in the state of Michigan.

23. DNI Responsibilities: President Obama signed Executive Order on National Critical Infrastructure on 6 January 2017, stating in Section 1. Cybersecurity of Federal Networks, "The Executive Branch operates its information technology (IT) on behalf of the American people. The President will hold heads of executive departments and agencies (agency heads) accountable for managing cybersecurity risk

to their enterprises. In addition, because risk management decisions made by agency heads can affect the risk to the executive branch as a whole, and to national security, it is also the policy of the United States to manage cybersecurity risk as an executive branch enterprise. "President Obama's EO further stated, effective immediately, each agency head shall use The Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (the Framework) developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology." Support to Critical Infrastructure at Greatest Risk. The Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the Attorney General, the Director of National Intelligence, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the heads of appropriate sector-specific agencies, as defined in Presidential Policy Directive 21 of February 12, 2013 (Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience) (sector-specific agencies), and all other appropriate agency heads, as identified by the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall: (i) identify authorities and capabilities that agencies could employ to support the cybersecurity efforts of critical infrastructure entities identified pursuant to section 9 of Executive Order 13636 of February 12, 2013 (Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity), to be at greatest risk of attacks that could reasonably result in catastrophic regional or national effects on public health or safety, economic security, or national security (section 9 entities);

This is a national security imperative. In July 2018, President Trump strengthened President Obama's Executive Order to include requirements to ensure US election systems, processes, and its people were not manipulated by foreign meddling, either through electronic or systemic manipulation, social media, or physical changes made in hardware, software, or supporting systems. The 2018 Executive Order. Accordingly, I hereby order:

Section 1. (a) Not later than 45 days after the conclusion of a United States election, the Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with the heads of any other appropriate executive departments and agencies (agencies), shall conduct an assessment of any information indicating that a foreign government, or any person acting as an agent of or on behalf of a foreign government, has acted with the intent or purpose of interfering in that election. The assessment shall identify, to the maximum extent ascertainable, the nature of any foreign interference and any methods employed to execute it, the persons involved, and the foreign government or governments that authorized, directed, sponsored, or supported it. The Director of National Intelligence shall deliver this assessment and appropriate supporting information to the President, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Defense, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Homeland Security.

We recommend that an independent group should be empaneled to determine the extent of the adjudication errors throughout the State of Michigan. This is a national security issue.

24. Michigan resident Gustavo Delfino, a former professor of mathematics in Venezuela and alumni of University of Michigan, offered a compelling affidavit [Exhibit 2] recognizing the inherent vulnerabilities in the SmartMatic electronic voting machines (software which was since incorporated into Dominion Voting Systems) during the 2004 national referendum in Venezuela (see attached declaration). After 4 years of research and 3 years of undergoing intensive peer review, Professor Delfino's paper was published in the highly respected "Statistical Science" journal, November 2011 issue (Volume 26, Number 4) with title "Analysis of the 2004 Venezuela Referendum: The Official Results Versus the Petition Signatures." The intensive study used multiple mathematical approaches to ascertain the voting results found in the 2004 Venezuelan referendum. Delfino and his research partners discovered not only the algorithm used to manipulate the results, but also the precise location in the election processing sequence where vulnerability in machine processing would provide such an opportunity. According to Prof Delfino, the magnitude of the difference between the official and the true result in Venezuela estimated at 1,370,000 votes. Our investigation into the error rates and results of the Antrim County voting tally reflect the same tactics, which have also been reported in other Michigan counties as well. This demonstrates a national security issue.

The results are conclusive and the missing adjudication logs and server security logs are damning.

The [Law office site](#) of Attorney Matthew DePerno shows him to be a well-established attorney who has been on some [high profile cases](#).

<https://www.ammoland.com/2021/01/forensic-report-of-voter-fraud-on-dominion-machine-results-released-by-judge/#axzz7kvi6iGHu>

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Unfortunately the Kenai Peninsula Borough currently uses Dominion Software and firmware. The Borough specifically uses Dominion's **Democracy Suite Software, which** is the Dominion election management software that is associated with **Dominion ImageCast voting system**, which includes **Election Event Designer and Results Tally and Reporting. ImageCast Software is** the software/firmware designed for use in the **ImageCast voting system**. The KPB also unfortunately uses Dominion Hardware which is the **ImageCast Precinct Scanner and Tabulator ("ICP")**, the **ImageCast X with BMD**, the ImageCast Central Scanner and the associated third party workstation ("ICC").  
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Thank you for reading my KPB election systems concerns.

Donald Johnson

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:25  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Oppose Ranked-choice Voting

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**From:** myvoice@oneclickpolitics.com <myvoice@oneclickpolitics.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 18, 2023 10:53 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Oppose Ranked-choice Voting

Re: Oppose Ranked-choice Voting

Representative Sarah Vance,

I urge you to oppose ranked-choice voting (RCV) and all attempts to implement it. RCV is confusing, distracts from policy issues, and forces voters to vote for candidates they otherwise would not support. It can also lead to candidates with little genuine support winning. Furthermore, with any voting system, the more complicated it is, the greater the risk of manipulation strategies or fraud. It will also encourage computerized voting, when we should instead support hand-counted paper ballots. Please oppose ranked-choice voting, and please ensure that it doesn't get enacted or implemented.

Sincerely,  
Mr. craig springer  
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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2023 17:23  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Rank Choice Voting convoluted liberal scheme to silence conservative voters2

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**From:** Donald Johnson <[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 6, 2023 5:56 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Rank Choice Voting convoluted liberal scheme to silence conservative voters2

Sarah,

Yes, definitely added me to the repeal RCV contact list.  
I am soooo willing to help in anyway possible to repeal RCV. It is completely designed to delete conservative votes and count liberal votes that I can't believe Alaska even allowed to get onto the ballot for a vote.

Don Johnson  
Soldotna Alaska 99669  
[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)

On Mar 6, 2023, at 5:37 PM, Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)> wrote:

Good Evening Mr. Johnson,

Thank you for contacting me about rank choice voting. I always appreciate hearing from Alaskans about the important issues that face our state.

I am delighted to hear that you are in support of HB1 and HB4. Rank choice is undoubtedly an overwhelming detrimental change to our election process. I have listened to you, and people all over the state express how they want to go back to one person, one vote, and I will do my best to restore the public trust in our elections!

**THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP REPEAL RCV:**

Stay informed:

You can use SMS Bill Tracking to keep up with our efforts to repeal rank choice voting by texting the bill number (ex: HB1/HB4) to 559-245-2529 to get text alerts about the bill's status.

Provide Verbal Testimony:

I need individuals willing to provide verbal public testimony in favor of repealing this confusing system. My team is gathering testifiers to speak on the reasons for opposing RCV and

supporting HB1 and HB4 by describing personal experiences with the system and how it undermines election integrity. If this interests you, please do not hesitate to contact my office by phone or email to be added to the repeal RCV contact list!

Thank you again for contacting me and caring about this critical issue in our state.

Respectfully,

*Rep. Sarah Vance*

Chair of House Judiciary  
Chair of House Special Committee on Fisheries



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**From:** Donald Johnson <[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 4, 2023 12:13 PM  
**To:** Andy Cizek <[and.czk@gmail.com](mailto:and.czk@gmail.com)>; Tim Hiner <[timhiner@alaska.net](mailto:timhiner@alaska.net)>; J. Johnson <[freetochoosealaska@hotmail.com](mailto:freetochoosealaska@hotmail.com)>; Rep. Sarah Vance <[Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov](mailto:Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov)>; Senator Dan Sullivan <[Senator@sullivan.senate.gov](mailto:Senator@sullivan.senate.gov)>; David Eastman <[david@davideastman.org](mailto:david@davideastman.org)>  
**Subject:** Rank Choice Voting convoluted liberal scheme to silence conservative voters2

Dear Alaska Legislator,

Rank Choice Voting, RCV is complex enough that many voters fail to recognize how it manipulates their vote.

RCV manipulates a vote by first deleting all the political primaries which is a substantial consideration. That deletion of primaries basically neutralizes most liberal opposition. Liberal RCV primary deletion does this by forcing all of its conservative opposition superstars to waste their time debating each and every outrageous liberal candidate individually. This is equivalent to forcing an Olympic swimmer to swim alongside a thousand thrashing amateur swimmers. It wouldn't matter how fast the Olympic swimmer can swim because they would spend most of their time just trying not to be drowned by all the thrashing. With all of the best conservative political candidates completely obscured, conservative voters are then less likely to be able to organize enough to support a single candidate and that checks off an RCV main objective.

If a viable conservative candidate somehow manages to survive the RCV primary deletion, they then have the actual RCV thrashing

mechanism itself dumped on them. This RCV mechanism gives conservative voters a choice. They can either play by the **RCV thrashing rules** and rank choice vote for multiple unacceptable candidates along with their single acceptable candidate. Or they can decide to not play by the **RCV rules** and just vote for their single acceptable candidate. They don't know it but they will lose with either choice and that's another RCV main objective checked off.

If a conservative voter plays by the RCV rules their acceptable candidate gets dumped into a series of **RCV deletion elections (runoffs)** which are each patterned after the above RCV thrashing deletion process. Their conservative Olympic candidate gets dumped into a list of amateur candidates and that thrashing group of candidates gets dumped into a series of deletion runoff elections to see who doesn't get deleted.

**Plurality elections search for the best candidate and elects them. RCV elections search for the worse candidates, deletes them and elects what's left.**

Since conservatives naturally cast fewer Rank Choice votes than liberals their votes normally get thrashed, obscured and deleted well BEFORE the final majority winning runoff. This results because the RCV vote thrashing mechanism is designed to delete the bulk of all RCV votes. The more votes you cast, the better your mathematical chances for a candidate NOT being thrashed deleted out of the RCV election. NOT being thrashed deleted out of an RCV election means you win the election. Plurality elections are won because people voted for the best candidate. RCV elections are won by liberal candidates mathematically showering elections with artificially created liberal votes.

A conservative Olympic swimmer would again do well just to survive this manipulative thrashing and that is the entire point of playing by these RCV rules. RCV rules actually work to conceal superior ability and leadership candidates. If you play by the RCV rules your Olympic conservative swimmer gets deleted by either the primary removal or the thrashing runoff removal, either one is a RCV main objective.

If you're a conservative and don't play by the RCV thrashing rules, you select your single acceptable conservative candidate and leave the other confusing RCV thrashing selections blank. This means that your vote will only be counted if the election locates a majority winner within the first runoff calculation. The chances of a first runoff candidate winning are extremely small because everything designed into RCV elections works to confuse, conceal and delete that from happening. So if you try to NOT play by the RCV rules and vote for ONLY your single conservative candidate, you will most likely see your vote deleted into oblivion during the second runoff election. This happens because you voluntarily didn't make any other rank choice selections and that's another RCV main objective checked off.



If your conservative Olympic candidate wasn't drowned by the primary removal, they were drowned by the RCV runoff thrashings. If you were smart and avoided all that RCV thrashing by only voting for your single Olympic Conservative Candidate, then your candidate got automatically deleted for not playing by the RCV rules.

Liberal's saw all the possible ways a conservative could win an election and they developed Rank Choice Voting to prevent them from winning. RCV elections were specifically designed to elect by thrashing and deleting conservative candidates. If you are a conservative and vote within an RCV election, you have probably already lost. It is just a matter of the location within the election process where you will choose to lose. This is why States that adopt RCV election systems typically experience a large decline in voter participation and that's another RCV main objective, to stop conservative voting.

Conservative voters eventually figure out that RCV elections are specifically designed to defeat them, and that is not a fair election for anyone. The only way to make such a warped election scheme fair would be to at least require all voters to select the same number of rank choices but RCV was not designed to make voting fair, it was designed to eliminate conservative votes.

Rank Choice Voting is a convoluted liberal voting scheme instead of a voting system and that scheme was specifically created to completely silence conservative voters.

pass it on...

Donald Johnson  
Soldotna, Alaska  
[donaldjohnson@alaska.net](mailto:donaldjohnson@alaska.net)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Friday, March 24, 2023 15:42  
**To:** House State Affairs; House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: ranked choice voting

**From:** sakers <swakers@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 21, 2023 10:27 AM  
**To:** Sen. Gary Stevens <Sen.Gary.Stevens@akleg.gov>  
**Cc:** Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>; Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>; Sen. Mike Shower <sen.mike.shower@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** ranked choice voting

Senator Stevens,

I have voted in Alaska for many years, but never with such frustration and irritation as I experience under this new so called "ranked-choice voting" system. I, in fact, had my ballot "spoiled" twice this past fall before I got it "right." I felt I was being forced to lie on a Procrustean Bed prepared for Alaskans by out-of-state interests in collusion with a nepotistically appointed senator. I needed to strategize and select candidates for political office much like I might select flavors of ice cream at a Baskin-Robins. Voting should not be a subjective flavor test.

In this method of voting, less becomes more and you don't the results for a couple of weeks. When I vote, I want to vote for a candidate that shares my values. I do not want to be forced to rank a candidate who's values I strongly object to for fear of "ballot exhaustion." Ranked choice voting manipulates and disenfranchises voters. It takes choice away from the voters and assigns it to a dubious algorithm to the benefit of those who have dreamed this scheme up.

There are two piece of legislation being proposed this session which will restore sanity and true choice to Alaska's voters, one is SB 2 from Senator Mike Shower and the other is HB1 from a group of representatives. I writing you to ask that you support these bills and allow them to advance. Please let me know your thoughts.

Regards,  
Scot Akers  
Homer, Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 12:07  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB4

**From:** S. Lowell <sandie.mtnman.gilliland@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 9:19 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** HB4

Dear Representative Vance,

As one of your constituents, I STRONGLY OPPOSE the rank choice voting system. Please know that it is in the best interest of the Alaskan Citizenry if this practice is repealed. Ranked choice voting is bad for election ethics, bad for election transparency, bad for election efficiency and above all bad for Alaskans who you have been elected to serve.

Thank you for your work introducing HB4 to the Alaska Legislature. Your constituents thank you!

Regards,

S. Lowell Gilliland

11 May 2023

House Judiciary Committee  
Representative Sarah Vance  
Representative Ben Carpenter  
Representative David Eastman  
Representative Cliff Groh

I am writing to you today in support of House Bill 4. You are currently charged with passing this bill because it is the right thing to do for our state. Ballot Measure originally said it would get rid of "Dark Money", it did not. In fact it used "Dark Money" to get the Measure passed, nearly \$8 Million of "Dark Money" and it worked! Our people were told in the advertising that Ballot Measure would make it easier to vote, IT DID NOT! There are many people whom I have discussed this issue with who said this is so ridiculous, it will never pass and when it did, they said people of Alaska are really dumb. Why did they vote it in, why did those who didn't vote go to the polls and vote it down? Why do we have the least voter turnout in a decade? Why is it even in the legislature to have to deal with? You can thank the ultra-liberals and Dark Money for that. You can also thank the way Ballot Measure was written. It is so convoluted and difficult to understand, that most people got part way through it and said, "Oh, gets rid of Dark Money, it must be good," without even finishing the read. Now it is your turn to do something good for our state and get our elections back to one person one vote, not one person four votes. Get rid of the shell game and get back to where we can trust our elections, which we do not now.

Thank you for your service.

Pray for Our Country,

Sally Duncan  
P.O. Box 16108  
Two Rivers AK 99716  
(907)388-3376

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:37  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB 4

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**From:** DGjuneau <DGjuneau@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:20 AM  
**To:** Rep. Jamie Allard <Rep.Jamie.Allard@akleg.gov>; Rep. Ben Carpenter <Rep.Ben.Carpenter@akleg.gov>; Rep. Craig Johnson <Rep.Craig.Johnson@akleg.gov>; Rep. David Eastman <Rep.David.Eastman@akleg.gov>; Rep. Andrew Gray <Rep.Andrew.Gray@akleg.gov>; Rep. Cliff Groh <Rep.Cliff.Groh@akleg.gov>; Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>; House Judiciary <House.Judiciary@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** HB 4

Dear Legislator,

As a resident of Alaska for more than 50 years, I am writing to voice my support for House Bill 4. Please vote yes to repeal ranked choice voting and open primaries.

Please recall it is your responsibility to represent Alaskan voters.

Thank you,

D. Grieser

Sent with [Proton Mail](#) secure email.

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:35  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Open Primary and Ranked Choice Voting

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Thomas Reed <glacierbearak@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:48 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Open Primary and Ranked Choice Voting

Dear Rep. Vance,

Please repeal Open Primary and Ranked Choice Voting. I dislike using this flawed system and do not think it represents my choices in voting adequately.

Sincerely,  
Katherine Reed  
13331 Shelburne Road, Anchorage, AK 99516

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:22  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: New Pom:HB 4 Elections:repeal Rank Choice/open Primary

-----Original Message-----

**From:** laurieheckert@yahoo.com <laurieheckert@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 8, 2023 6:21 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** New Pom:HB 4 Elections:repeal Rank Choice/open Primary

Laura Heckert  
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laurieheckert@yahoo.com  
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I am Laura Heckert from Homer.

Dear Committee,

I support HB4 and the repeal of Ranked Choice Voting.

It is a complex way of figuring out the votes with many discarded and exhausted ballots. Voter education is not the answer. The winner has less than 50% of the votes.

Thanks

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:06  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: New Pom:HB 4 Elections:repeal Rank Choice/open Primary

-----Original Message-----

**From:** mom1124@gci.net <mom1124@gci.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 3, 2023 7:28 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** New Pom:HB 4 Elections:repeal Rank Choice/open Primary

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REPEAL RANK CHOICE VOTING!!!



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HD 25

April 30, 2023

House State Affairs Committee  
Transmitted by E-mail

Re: We support HB4

We are both 69 year Alaskans, Mat-Su Valley residents. Lydia was born in Palmer and is a 27 year retired Alaska elementary school teacher. We are great grandparents,, and our family is all Alaskan living in the Valley. We are both involved in politics and understand the voting system, I have worked as a poll worker in the 2020 Primary election.

The changes in HB4 are necessary to restore legitimacy and credibility to the state's voting system. The changes are necessary to eliminate confusion and minimizing of the party system. The reforms to campaign contributions will hopefully minimize Outside influence.

I believe that the RCV is a violation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment right to free association where a party member's participation in the Primary and General elections are concerned.

I ran for HD25 in 2022 and found out just how screwed up this system is. In my case, the incumbent received over 50% of the votes in the Primary. I should have been automatically eliminated as a candidate. Instead, I found myself in the General, because I did not withdraw soon enough, due to a misunderstanding about how the RCV worked. I thought that I would be automatically eliminated. No joy.

This gives a losing candidate another shot, but one that is not deserved. Further, the system is designed to get as many candidates to the General as possible. That serves to obfuscate, to make moot the party member's vote in the Primary and to make moot the Primary's purpose to eliminate all but the top party vote getter. The party member's vote is further diluted if there are more than one of that party's candidates in the General Election.

The RCV system is confusing and certainly does not improve the field of candidates.

It appears to be a system designed to turn a red state or a blue state purple, something that does not reflect a state's voting population.

It is a system designed to dilute or to eliminate a party electorate's influence upon an election. I don't think the people who voted in 2020 for the RCV believed that it would impact the parties the way it has.

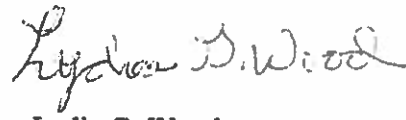
The conventional Primary/General system worked well by insuring one candidate per party for the General.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment assures the right to association regarding a party's electorate. HB4 restores that balance.

Therefore, we support HB4.

Regards,

  
Lawrence D. Wood

  
Lydia G. Wood

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:02  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB 4

**From:** Tom Boutin <bOutin@alaska.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2023 5:15 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs <HouseState.Affairs@akleg.gov>  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Cathy Tilton <Rep.Cathy.Tilton@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** HB 4

Good evening,

I was in the que this afternoon for providing testimony for HB 4, waiting two hours but never being called to take my phone off mute. I was working .45 acp brass so the time was not wasted, but I won't be in the que for this bill in this committee again.

I very much oppose RCV. It's not that people don't understand RCV: It's that they don't trust it. Government telling us to trust them is not education but indoctrination. RCV is sleazy, and it was all but entirely funded from Outside! We don't want education from government but we expect honesty in elections. RCV is dishonest. Dishonesty in government is the last thing Alaska needs right now.

Voter turnout will generally continue to fall so long as RCV persists. Advising voters to vote for more than one candidate sounds fraudulent and suspicious to most Alaska voters. Voters are disbelieving when told that once all votes are in (long after the polls close on voting day) the votes will go through an algorithm and votes won't be known to the public for a long time destroys every semblance of honesty. Secrecy is not the friend of democracy!

Please send HB 4 to the House floor ASAP.

Have a great evening.

Tom Boutin  
Juneau

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:02  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: We support and agree with HB1 and HB 4

**From:** Jon and Ruth Ewig <ewig4him\_7@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2023 4:58 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Jamie Allard <Rep.Jamie.Allard@akleg.gov>; Rep. Jamie Allard <Rep.Jamie.Allard@akleg.gov>; Rep. Frank Tomaszewski <Rep.Frank.Tomaszewski@akleg.gov>; Jon and Ruth Ewig <ewig4Him\_7@hotmail.com>  
**Subject:** We support and agree with HB1 and HB 4

RCV was the biggest mess we have experienced with voting and we have lived here in Fairbanks for 50 years. We tried to call in to support the two bills but only got a busy signal. No wait list. We could not get through.

RCV voting favors the person who comes in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> not the one who comes in first. The system shows favoritism to the ones who should have lost. Also there is no way to recheck the count. There is no primary which would reduce the candidates to a manageable number. Worst of all the DC swamp wanted to use it to get Murkowski reelected. She would have lost and she votes against conservatives and Christian.

Jon and Ruth Ewig  
2325-30<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
907-687-5795

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:02  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB 4

**From:** Brenda - Mark Edens <mbedens@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2023 4:53 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs <HouseState.Affairs@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** HB 4

My name is Brenda Edens from District 6, Homer, Alaska.

I am "for HB 4" and ask that you vote for this bill, against Ranked Choice Voting.

I prefer traditional one vote voting which puts weight on my first. Quite simply, it puts weight on everyone's 1st choice.

Results can be tallied quickly and easily.

Brenda Edens

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 10:45  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB4

**From:** Donald Trometter <drtrom@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2023 11:15 AM

**To:** Rep. Maxine Dibert <Rep.Maxine.Dibert@akleg.gov>; Rep. CJ McCormick <Rep.CJ.McCormick@akleg.gov>; Rep. Donna Mears <Rep.Donna.Mears@akleg.gov>; Rep. Andrew Gray <Rep.Andrew.Gray@akleg.gov>; Rep. Genevieve Mina <Rep.Genevieve.Mina@akleg.gov>; Rep. Zack Fields <Rep.Zack.Fields@akleg.gov>; Rep. Andy Josephson <Rep.Andy.Josephson@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Cliff Groh <Rep.Cliff.Groh@akleg.gov>; Rep. Sara Hannan <Rep.Sara.Hannan@akleg.gov>; Rep. Ashley Carrick <Rep.Ashley.Carrick@akleg.gov>; Rep. Andi Story <Rep.Andi.Story@akleg.gov>; Rep. Jennie Armstrong <Rep.Jennie.Armstrong@akleg.gov>; Rep. Calvin Schrage <Rep.Calvin.Schrage@akleg.gov>; Rep. Alyse Galvin <Rep.Alyse.Galvin@akleg.gov>; Rep. Rebecca Himschoot <Rep.Rebecca.Himschoot@akleg.gov>; Rep. Daniel Ortiz <Rep.Daniel.Ortiz@akleg.gov>; Rep. Josiah Patkotak <Rep.Josiah.Patkotak@akleg.gov>; Rep. Bryce Edgmon <Rep.Bryce.Edgmon@akleg.gov>; Rep. Mike Cronk <Rep.Mike.Cronk@akleg.gov>; Rep. David Eastman <Rep.David.Eastman@akleg.gov>; Rep. Cathy Tilton <Rep.Cathy.Tilton@akleg.gov>; Rep. Jesse Sumner <Rep.Jesse.Sumner@akleg.gov>; Rep. Thomas McKay <Rep.Thomas.McKay@akleg.gov>; Rep. Dan Saddler <Rep.Dan.Saddler@akleg.gov>; Rep. Ben Carpenter <Rep.Ben.Carpenter@akleg.gov>; Rep. George Rauscher <Rep.George.Rauscher@akleg.gov>; Rep. Craig Johnson <Rep.Craig.Johnson@akleg.gov>; Rep. Justin Ruffridge <Rep.Justin.Ruffridge@akleg.gov>; Rep. Laddie Shaw <Rep.Laddie.Shaw@akleg.gov>; Rep. Frank Tomaszewski <Rep.Frank.Tomaszewski@akleg.gov>; Rep. Julie Coulombe <Rep.Julie.Coulombe@akleg.gov>; Rep. Kevin McCabe <Rep.Kevin.McCabe@akleg.gov>; Rep. Louise Stutes <Rep.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov>; Rep. Will Stapp <Rep.Will.Stapp@akleg.gov>; Rep. DeLena Johnson <Rep.DeLena.Johnson@akleg.gov>; Rep. Mike Prax <Rep.Mike.Prax@akleg.gov>; Rep. Jamie Allard <Rep.Jamie.Allard@akleg.gov>; Rep. Stanley Wright <Rep.Stanley.Wright@akleg.gov>; Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>

**Cc:** Sen. Robert Myers <Senator.Robert.Myers@akleg.gov>

**Subject:** HB4

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

Rank Choice voting is destroying the voting system in our state. The primary election had one person who was not even vetted to be on the ballot. It was supposed to rid our elections of dark money and MORE dark money poured into our state in record amount.

It was supposed to make voting easier and was not, less people voted on record in relation to our population. The confusion and non understanding of the process had more spoiled ballots than ever before. I volunteered (non-paid) at a polling location and there were over 80 destroyed ballots out of about 1200 voters. That is about 6.67% persons not able to vote with understanding and had difficulty; some even destroyed their ballot and left not even making their ballot count. Sadly our state is shrinking voter count instead of increasing participation.

AND to wait weeks for a final count as to the winners when states MUCH larger than Alaska hand count their ballots and have final numbers by midnight on voting day is horrendous. We are going back in time. Sad, so sad that our legislative branch even allowed this to be on the ballot years ago. As you being on the Committee for State Affairs we need to go back to voting as people know the process and those persons will return to the ballot box to vote in future elections.

Please pass this bill HB4 to rid rank choice voting from our state and return to the voting system that voters know and understand.

Kindly,

Rita Trometter

North Pole



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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 10:41  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Yes, HB4, Repeal Rank Choice Voting

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**From:** Edith Grunwald <ediegrunwald@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2023 10:40 AM  
**To:** ediegrunwald@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Rep. Cathy Tilton <Rep.Cathy.Tilton@akleg.gov>; Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Yes, HB4, Repeal Rank Choice Voting

Greetings,

All things holy - Rank Choice Voting must be repealed!

Whatever people thought they were voting for, it resulted confusion, problems, lower turnout and is so complicated it took classes, books, pictures, videos, and more to explain Rank Choice Voting.

It must be repealed! Legislators, please be the heroes, do Alaskans a huge favor and repeal this insidious RCV way of attempting to vote.

Support HB4!

Thank you,

Edie & Ben Grunwald

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023 10:38  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Vote yes on HB 4

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Rep. Jamie Allard <Rep.Jamie.Allard@akleg.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 1, 2023 6:43 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Cc:** Jake Almeida <Jake.Almeida@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Vote yes on HB 4

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Aldean Kilbourn <akilbourn@gci.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 1, 2023 8:12 AM  
**To:** Aldean Kilbourn <akilbourn@gci.net>  
**Subject:** Vote yes on HB 4

Please pass HB 4 "Ranked Choice Voting and Open Primary Elections. In several instances, because of this way of voting, while the person I voted for received the most votes, that person lost due to a 50%+ requirement and ended up losing. That is wrong, especially since the person that then was credited with "winning" is someone I personally feel isn't a good choice for the position and didn't receive the most votes originally. To me, why should I continue to vote if that's going to happen?

Aldean Kilbourn

It's not whether, it's how much.



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Steve Turner <steve@kenai2.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:48  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Rank Choice Voting

I am opposed to the rank choice voting system.

1. The voter turnout shows the first and hopefully last rank choice voting cycle was a failure.
2. The rank choice voting system allows the opportunity to manipulate the election.
3. It takes too long to determine the results of an election.
4. Rank choice votes are counted by computer. We now have Artificial Intelligence to contend with. I don't trust a computerized vote tally.

Repeal this nonsense!

Steve Turner  
2565 Watergate Way  
Kenai, AK 99611  
(541) 480-2347  
steve@kenai2.com

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2023 18:32  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: Ranked Choice

**From:** Carol Brown <ingodsheart@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:35 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice

Dear Rep. Vance,

Thank you for this last-minute notice of this hearing. I think ranked choice is the very worst voting idea yet! Yes, repeal this confusing and patently "rigged system!!" I have nothing good to say about it.

Carol A. Brown  
Juneau Resident

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Elesheva Tiner  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2023 16:48  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB4 Rank choice voting

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**From:** pat moss <patmoss1951@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 1:23 PM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** HB4 Rank choice voting

Repeal rank choice voting. When rank choice voting was on the ballot it was convoluted at best. Very few people I've spoken with even realized what was contained in the 28 page bill. It has not produced the promised results. It only served to confuse & frustrate the voters at the polls. We had record numbers of spoiled ballots in most if not all of FNSB precincts. It passed by a narrow margin the first time around, I don't believe it would pass a second time.

Sincerely

Pat Moss, Fairbanks  
907 978-0093

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Elesheva Tiner  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2023 16:40  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** FW: HB4

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**From:** S. Lowell <sandie.mtnman.gilliland@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 9:19 AM  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance <Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov>  
**Subject:** HB4

Dear Representative Vance,

As one of your constituents, I STRONGLY OPPOSE the rank choice voting system. Please know that it is in the best interest of the Alaskan Citizenry if this practice is repealed. Ranked choice voting is bad for election ethics, bad for election transparency, bad for election efficiency and above all bad for Alaskans who you have been elected to serve.

Thank you for your work introducing HB4 to the Alaska Legislature. Your constituents thank you!

Regards,

S. Lowell Gilliland

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Linda Wisner <hlwisner@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 14, 2023 18:10  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Voting

I don't believe that this is legal because people get two votes, it's one vote per person. Get rid of it, the voters were tricked into voting for it in the first place. Hugh Wisner Sent from my iPad

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Susan Wells <susiewells@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 14, 2023 15:50  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV

Dear Representatives,

I am and have been opposed to Rank Choice Voting and am asking that you vote to REPEAL RANK CHOICE VOTING in our State.

Susan Wells  
Life long Citizen

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Chi'nan,

Susan Wells

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** linda Wisner <llwisner@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 14, 2023 12:59  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank Choice Voting

Repeal Rank Choice Voting. One vote per person I received absentee ballot and never requested them. Get rid of RCV to confusing for the voters.

Sent from my iPad

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Carol Makar <cmakar767@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 14, 2023 10:11  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Voting system

Please get rid of the ranked voting system. Thanks,  
Carol Makar  
cmakar767@gmail.com  
907-250-5738



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Justin Meyring <justinmeyring@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 13, 2023 14:49  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh; Rep. Laddie Shaw  
**Subject:** House Bill 4

My fellow Alaskans,

I am writing to you today to urge you to overturn Ranked Choice Voting. I personally voted in favor of Ranked Choice Voting, but have come to regret my decision. It's complicated, it's expensive, the results are slow, and most importantly, I think it opens the possibility that the person with the most votes can lose.

Thanks for listening,

Justin Meyring

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Holly Sheldon Lee <hollysheldonlee5g@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 13:59  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV Never won in Alaska

Please look at the following link for evidence derived from the SOA Department of Elections database, on the illegitimate win of Ballot Measure 2 in the 2020 Alaska election.

<https://alaskataskforce.com/ak-2020-election-fraud-evidence/>

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Holly J. Sheldon-Lee  
Talkeetna, Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Cameron Gackstetter <cameron.gackstetter@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 13:18  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** AlaskaStateLegislature@akleg.gov  
**Subject:** Yes on HB 4- get rid of RCV

5/12/2023

Alaska House Judiciary Committee Members  
All Alaska Senate Members  
All Alaska House of Representatives Members  
Alaska Governor Dunleavy

I tried calling today, but had problems with the phone system in Juneau. Sure wish Alaska's Legislature was located on the road system so that Alaskans had a better opportunity to be involved in our state government.

I urge you to support HB 4- to get rid of Ranked Choice Voting! It's confusing, misleading, and dilutes my vote.

Thank you, Cameron Gackstetter  
Fbks AK

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Shannon Gackstetter <shannon.gackstetter@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 12:39  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Vote YES to repeal ranked choice voting. HB 4

5/12/23

Honorable Members:

PLEASE Vote YES to repeal ranked choice voting. I strongly urge you to support HB 4. RCV doesn't work the way people were led to believe it would. I have yet to find anyone in my circle of friends who thinks RCV is a good thing.

Trying to call in to testify isn't successful, either.

Shannon Gackstetter  
Fairbanks Alaska

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Kathy Olding <chessysr1@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 12:28  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank Voting

**To whom it may concern**

**I want to see Ranked Choice Voting end!!**

**All my friends and family are upset about it. Get rid of it**

**Sincerely, Kathy Olding  
Tok, Alaska  
907-505-0148**

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Jeriah Roberts <jeriahroberts12@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 10:22  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank choice voting

Dear representative my name is Jeriah Roberts and I live at 3177 Brookview Ln, North Pole AK 99705, and I would like to comment saying that I do not approve of rank choice voting and would like to repeal rank choice voting.

Thank you,  
Jeriah Roberts

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** S. Lowell <sandie.mtnman.gilliland@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 09:13  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Please repeal rank choice voting

Dear Honorable Sirs and Madams of the Alaska State House Judiciary Committee,

As a resident of Alaska, I STRONGLY OPPOSE the rank choice voting system. Please know that it is in the best interest of the Alaskan Citizenry if this practice is repealed. Ranked choice voting is bad for election ethics, bad for election transparency, bad for election efficiency and above all bad for Alaskans who you have been elected to serve.

Please advance this bill from committee so it can continue the process of becoming law.

Regards,

S. Lowell Gilliland

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Leah Handley <leah.fernwood@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 08:43  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

To the Judiciary Committee,

I vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Thank you  
Regards

Registered voter:  
Leah Handley  
Homer, AK



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Athena Edens <dnaedens@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:30  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** hb4

im dave edens from homer alaska and representing myself. i support hb4, in favor of getting rid of rank choice voting  
Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Tom Stroozas <tstroozas@americascuisine.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal of RCV

Please vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Thank you

Regards

Registered voter:

Tom Stroozas

Homer, AK

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Tom Stroozas

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Melody Taylor <h2owithmelody@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:36  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal RCV

I am unable to call during public comment, but I want to express my support in repealing ranked choice voting. This is a terrible method of electing and we are already seeing a horrible downfall from it. Please push the bill to repeal Forward.  
Dirk and Melody Taylor  
2711 Garnet Dr  
North Pole, AK  
907-351-8625

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Melody Taylor  
(907) 351-8625



**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Rocky Ross <rocky@legacyak.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:36  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal RCV

To those slected to represent the will of the people:

Please repeal this mess ranked choice voting. It was confusing, misleading and did not produce timely results.

Sincerley,  
Toni Ross

Sent from ProtonMail mobile

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Mary Trimble <maryetrimble@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:37  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Ranked Choice Voting

Please repeal ranked choice voting. It was not an easier way to vote and a lot of folks were confused on how it worked including myself and I studied it ahead! It is not a fair way to vote and not good for most Alaskans.

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Mary Trimble, Broker  
Coastal Realty  
[maryetrimble@gmail.com](mailto:maryetrimble@gmail.com)  
907.299.2677

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Renee Eidem <cowgirlup4560@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:38  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB 4

Dear Committee,

Please support HB 4. Because the RCV ballot counting process is so confusing and not at all transparent it causes this type of voting to be ripe for fraud. In our current culture of politicians ignoring or outright not following the rule of law this is unacceptable.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Eidem  
Registered Voter  
PO Box 21  
Homer AK 99603

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Dave Peck <dlp1951@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:40  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Sen. Jesse Bjorkman; Rep. Justin Ruffridge  
**Subject:** HB-4/I support. Please pass.

I support the repeal of Ranked Choice Voting. We have been filling up citizen's initiative books here in the Kenai/Soldotna area. So the repeal initiative continues. But this is something the legislature can do at much less cost to the people of Alaska in terms of time & money. In our area, when the original ballot proposition to install RCV was on the ballot, it was rejected at a ratio of about 2 to 1.

So I'm asking my Senate & House Reps (and everyone as well) to vote for HB-4.  
Thank you

Dave Peck  
Kenai

Please pass HB-4

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Randy Daly <randydaly64@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:52  
**To:** House Judiciary; Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Justin Ruffridge  
**Subject:** Supporting HB4

Good afternoon members of the Alaska State House,

HB4 is a good first step to providing transparent and honest elections in Alaska once again. Please support the majority of Alaskans, 53%, that also support HB4.

Thank you, respectfully submitted,

Thomas R Daly  
108 Dee[wood Court  
Kenai, Alaska 99611

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** kathleen shoop <kathleenshoop@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:54  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 YES

Dear Legs;

Yes for HB4!

Time to return integrity to our Alaskan elections and lead by example for the rest of the country that RCV is a very terrible idea and we do not want it!

The sooner we get rid of this unfair voting tactic the sooner our country can begin to heal!

Alaskan Resident since 1992  
Kathleen Shoop

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sandy Taylor <aksandykay@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:59  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV

Hello,  
Please vote to repeal rank choice voting. Please vote yes on HB 4.  
Thank you  
Sandy Taylor

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** conmac414 <conmac414@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:59  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 repeal of Ranked Choice voting

I support HB4 to repeal the open primary and ranked choice voting. I believe each voter should get one vote.

Connie McKenzie  
Juneau

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S22 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Susan Lockwood <suelv2sng@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:03  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Rank Choice Voting. When choosing to vote, it was thought that people were voting to eliminate Dark money coming into Alaska. Rank Choice wasn't seen. Please repeal RCV. Would like to go back to regular voting. Many people didn't vote becau...

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Donna Hall <dterphall@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:06  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Voting

Please vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Thank you  
Regards

Registered voter:  
Donna Terp Hall  
Homer, Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Steve Hoey <sdrphoey@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:10  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

As a registered voter in the state of Alaska, I strongly urge the passing of this bill.

Steve Hoey  
Director of Alaska Ministries, LSIM  
717-799-8041

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Barbara Tyndall <btbt48@googlemail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:13  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank Choice Voting

Dear Representatives,

I am writing in favor of HB 4, which would repeal rank choice voting. Alaskans do not want this voting system. Please return elections to the people by repealing RCV and allowing people to make their choices without complications.

Thank you.  
Barbara Tyndall  
North Pole

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** John & Candy Miller <3in1oil@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:14  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4. I support HB 4 repealing RCV

To Representatives in House Judiciary Committee,

I support HB 4 repealing RCV !

Over the last 2 months I personally have collected approx. 700 signatures on the petition and adding, to repeal Rank Choice Voting. People seek out the opportunity to sign. It take very little effort to collect signatures. People HATE RCV. I have only encountered 3 people who actually liked it. I believe we already have close to enough signatures, however, it would be even better if the legislature would pass HB 4 so the people wouldn't need to take matters into their own hands. Don't believe the paid pro RCV operatives. Vote for HB 4.

Thank You,  
John and Candy Miller  
Mat Su Valley



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Bernadette Bradley <bernibradley@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:15  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

Hello-

I am in support of repealing rank choice voting.

As a poll worker in District 13-315, I witnessed numerous voters, especially those with English as a second language and seniors having difficulty understanding this type of voting.

Several voters had to rip their ballot to try again. Some gave up simply because the confusion of voting in this manner did not make sense and/or they just couldn't get it.

I believe voting needs to be simple with no need for explanation.

I wonder how many chose not to vote and were disenfranchised in being included. I also wonder how many that left the polls frustrated will not vote in our future elections. This is the opposite of how our elections should be.

Please support HB 4

Thank you.

-Bernadette Bradley  
600 W 76th 304, Anchorage, AK 99518  
907 223-8533

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Beverly DeKay <[bjdekay@gmail.com](mailto:bjdekay@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:27  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Voting

This type of voting allowed some people to win when the majority of the vote went to the other side. Democrats choose their best candidate that reflects their philosophy and the Republicans do so likewise. Independents and other parties advance to the general election without a primary. We then vote (best to do that with valid ID and paper ballots on one day or request an absentee ballot) and get the results that evening. There is so much more opportunity for fraud with mail in voting and ranked choice voting. Let my voice be heard and not manipulated.

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Beverly DeKay 696-4874 (h) 529-4874 (c) [bjdekay@gmail.com](mailto:bjdekay@gmail.com)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** John & Candy Miller <3in1oil@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:33  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4 Repeal Rank Choice Voting. Support HB4

I have worked the State elections for 6 years as a troubleshooter/ fieldworker servicing 6 precincts. This year 2022 was the worst, confusing and chaotic mess I have ever experienced. People were confused. We ran out of spoiled ballot envelopes very quickly and I had to run to the store and buy a pack of them because the main office ran out. ALSO and most importantly;

There is no way to verify the results. This has got to be unlawful. With all the problems with the machines, drop boxes, harvesting, bloated voter rolls, no signature verification and human error, and no way to verify results, are you crazy! Support HB 4. Dump RCV

John Miller. Palmer

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Rex kaufman <hotlips51@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:37  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Please pass HB4!! Get rid of RCV! Please!

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Leona Oberts <leonaoberts@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:43  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV

I am hoping that those of us who oppose rank choice voting will have a chance to be heard! First, it was voted in with a very slim majority through a campaign supported by outside money.

Many folks were confused by what rank choice voting meant as the campaign promised to conduct "fair elections". It violates our constitutional right to ONE VOTE in fair elections.

As far as I am concerned, it negates our party, the Alaska Republican Party to select its own candidates to run for office through a partial closed primary. No one is denied their right to vote for the candidate of their choice. The Undeclared and Non-partisan voters have always been allowed to vote on the Republican ballot.

As legislators you can reverse Rank Choice Voting and restore faith in our elections.

Thank you,

Leona Oberts

907-394-2672 or email: [leonaoberts@gmail.com](mailto:leonaoberts@gmail.com)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Waynette Coleman <swcburkhardt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:49  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV

Please repeal RCV. The Alaskan people were deceived from the beginning. We were told it would stop/expose dark money. Not true.

I did not vote for this. Now we must put elections back in the hands of the people. One vote, one person.

Sincerely

Waynette Coleman  
Ninilchik, AK

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Miranda Nelson <mirandabritt85ak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 13:58  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Ranked Choice Voting

Please vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Regards  
Miranda B. Nelson

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Elisabeth Daniels <edaniels247@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 14:15  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Please Repeal Rank Choulice Voting!

Honorable Legislators,

As an Alaskan of almost 18 years, I oppose the rank choice voting system that is being forced upon us.

I have added my signature to the circulating petition for repealing rank choice voting.

I am writing today to go on record from Kenai, Alaska in FAVOR OF REPEALING RANK CHOICE VOTING. Please vote in favor to remove rank choice voting.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Rosanna Daniels  
Kenai Alaska



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Elyce Santerre <santerre@mtaonline.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 14:19  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal ranked choice voting

RCV only passed because it was unconstitutionally linked to a separate subject: dark money. Dark money donors ironically used the fear of dark money to slip in a voting system that is confusing and unpopular. It's time to get rid of it and go back to one voter, one vote. — Elyce Santerre, Chugiak (House District 24)

Sent from my iPad

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** James Duffield <duff\_cpa@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 14:29  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Rank Choice Voting!!!

Please repeal rank choice voting because it does not represent the majority vote, which is the basis of our representative Republic!! Majority is the winner from one vote, not counting and discounting until you get who the "Establishment" wants. Please repeal rank choice voting.

Sent from my iPhone  
Jim Duffield

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Stephanie Waltemyer <alaskanwaltemyers@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 14:32  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** REPEAL RANKED CHOICE VOTING!!

ENOUGH SAID IN THE SUBJECT TITLE!!!

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Michael Williams <swilli8831@me.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 14:41  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Ranked Choice Please

Please repeal Ranked Choice voting.

> Stephanie and Michael Williams

> 4825 potter crest circle

> Anchorage AK 99516

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> Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Jon and Ruth Ewig <ewig4him\_7@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 2, 2023 16:59  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** We support and agree with HB1 and HB 4

**subject:** We support and agree with HB1 and HB 4

RCV was the biggest mess we have experienced with voting and we have lived here in Fairbanks for 50 years. We tried to call in to support the two bills but only got a busy signal. No wait list. We could not get through.

RCV voting favors the person who comes in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> not the one who comes in first. The system shows favoritism to the ones who should have lost. Also there is no way to recheck the count. There is no primary which would reduce the candidates to a manageable number. Worst of all the DC swamp wanted to use it to get Murkowski reelected. She would have lost and she votes against conservatives and Christian.

Jon and Ruth Ewig  
2325-30<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
907-687-5795

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Michael Jones <mljhea9@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 9, 2023 16:47  
**To:** House State Affairs; House Judiciary; mljhea9@gmail.com  
**Subject:** HB 4: Testimony in Support

Consistent with my Oral Testimony in the House State Affairs committee today,

I am Mike Jones, Resident of Homer, representing myself.

I Fully Support HB 4 and ask you to repeal ranked choice voting.

Being new to Alaska, I was surprised to see Proposition 2 was allowed to be on the ballot. A simple reading of the proposition made it clear that it contained two separate and distinct issues that were not related:

Do you want ranked choice voting?

Do you want to have dark money influence elections?

The language on the ballot seemed to emphasize the ranked choice voting aspect of the Proposition, but the dark money aspect was where all the advertising focused.

It's very easy to see how someone could vote for this proposition solely based on the concern about dark money, not realizing the subtleties and unintended consequences of the ranked choice voting mechanism.

It's ironic that the proposition appearing to eliminate undue influence in Alaska elections was supported so substantially from out of state interests.

Regarding ranked choice voting...the average person, not closely affiliated with a political party machine, may not have understood the implications of how their vote selections would work. Several people I know, all intelligent people, were confused as to how the voting process worked.

There are many advocates for Ranked Choice Voting that celebrate the elimination of the Primary Party System and hail it as a good thing. On the contrary, the Primary Party System allows those who are affiliated with a party to have their party candidates compete head-to-head so the best candidate from the party can emerge. Ranked choice voting as implemented here eliminates that important step, to the detriment of voters.

Implementation of Ranked Choice Voting has created doubts in the honesty and transparency of our election process.

Eliminate Ranked Choice Voting and restore trust in our election process.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today.

Michael L. Jones

Lawrence D. Wood  
Lydia G. Wood  
4750 Wolverine Rd.  
Palmer, Alaska 99645  
Tel.: 907-746-4981  
Cell: 907-982-4460  
HD 25

April 30, 2023

House State Affairs Committee  
Transmitted by E-mail

Re: We support HB4

We are both 69 year Alaskans, Mat-Su Valley residents. Lydia was born in Palmer and is a 27 year retired Alaska elementary school teacher. We are great grandparents,, and our family is all Alaskan living in the Valley. We are both involved in politics and understand the voting system, I have worked as a poll worker in the 2020 Primary election.

The changes in HB4 are necessary to restore legitimacy and credibility to the state's voting system. The changes are necessary to eliminate confusion and minimizing of the party system. The reforms to campaign contributions will hopefully minimize Outside influence.

I believe that the RCV is a violation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment right to free association where a party member's participation in the Primary and General elections are concerned.

I ran for HD25 in 2022 and found out just how screwed up this system is. In my case, the incumbent received over 50% of the votes in the Primary. I should have been automatically eliminated as a candidate. Instead, I found myself in the General, because I did not withdraw soon enough, due to a misunderstanding about how the RCV worked. I thought that I would be automatically eliminated. No joy.

This gives a losing candidate another shot, but one that is not deserved. Further, the system is designed to get as many candidates to the General as possible. That serves to obfuscate, to make moot the party member's vote in the Primary and to make moot the Primary's purpose to eliminate all but the top party vote getter. The party member's vote is further diluted if there are more than one of that party's candidates in the General Election.

The RCV system is confusing and certainly does not improve the field of candidates.

It appears to be a system designed to turn a red state or a blue state purple, something that does not reflect a state's voting population.

It is a system designed to dilute or to eliminate a party electorate's influence upon an election. I don't think the people who voted in 2020 for the RCV believed that it would impact the parties the way it has.

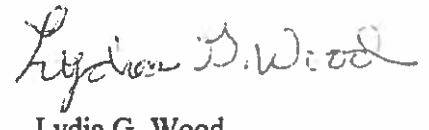
The conventional Primary/General system worked well by insuring one candidate per party for the General.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment assures the right to association regarding a party's electorate. HB4 restores that balance.

Therefore, we support HB4.

Regards,

  
Lawrence D. Wood

  
Lydia G. Wood



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sybille Castro-Curry <seaotterlady@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 9, 2023 17:55  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Please repeal RCV with HB 4

### Common Critiques of Ranked-Choice Voting

- It's too complicated
- It's too expensive
- It only helps Democrats (or Republicans)
- The person with the most votes can lose
- Your vote might not count if it's "exhausted"
- It delays the results
- It violates "one person, one vote"
- Please let's go back to one Vote one candidate
- S.Curry
- Nikiski Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sallie Rediske <sallierediske@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 9, 2023 18:23  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked choice voting

To the House Judiciary Committee:

I am opposed to you using your time working to repeal ranked choice voting which was determined by a vote of the citizens of this state to be the will of the majority of voters. You and your colleagues have far more pressing issues that the people have not directly voted on that you need to address as you are there to function as our representatives to get work done. Simply because you don't like the outcome of particular races, this is not grounds for repealing the vote of the people. Remember, you got elected this way.

Please use legislative time efficiently and stop the repeal efforts of ranked choice voting.

Sincerely,

Sallie Rediske

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Grey Mitchell <fullcurl@live.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 11:15  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 - Support

Please pass HB4 to repeal rank choice voting.

This system causes confusion and lacks the transparency necessary to maximize voter participation and give Alaskans confidence in the election process. It's a system that allows politicians to more easily deceive Alaskans and win elections even though they do not provide representation for the views held by a majority of their constituents.

Rank choice voting was promoted to Alaskans primarily as a way to get outsider "dark money" out of Alaska elections. Through this deceptive campaign, many were duped and didn't realize what they were voting for. Ironically, the promotions were funded with dark money and RCV has led to unprecedented election manipulation from dark money groups outside Alaska in subsequent elections.

Free and fair elections are critical to the American way of life and people need to have confidence that elections are not subject to fraud or manipulation. Elections are meaningless unless people trust enough in the process to encourage maximum voter participation. Rank choice voting takes Alaska in the wrong direction.

Please repeal rank choice voting by passing HB4.

Thank you for your service to Alaskans.

Grey Mitchell  
Juneau

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Cassie Lawver <caslawver@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 11:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Subject:** HB 4

Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

I am emailing in support of repealing rank choice voting and HB 4. When Ballot Measure 2 was introduced in 2020 it was advertised as a way to get rid of "dark money". The ads ran on Alaska television and radio were misleading and had a hidden agenda. A majority of voters did not know that ballot measure 2 (RCV) would change how they vote. People were reading headlines such as: "***Campaign Against 'Dark Money' Disclosure in Alaska Keeps Hiding Its Donors. The donors include the super PAC arm of Charles Koch's main political nonprofit and the Republican State Leadership Committee.***" And seeing videos on social media that said NOTHING on changing our 1 vote for 1 candidate system they only mention the "dark money". This video ad [\(11\) Facebook](#) was a sponsored ad on Facebook. And this video ad [\(11\) Facebook\(11\)](#) was a sponsor ad on Facebook and ran as a TV ad. I also saw these ads while streaming tv shows and movies that have paid ads that played throughout the show or movie. These ads push ballot measure 2 (2020) onto voters as a way to get rid of "dark money" without fully disclosing the full intent of the ballot measure. We all know why they ran ads with only talks of "dark money" and not on how this will change our voting system. And since you all are politicians, you know why too. So by repealing this deceptive ballot measure 2 from 2020, you will give those Alaskans that were deceived their voice back. I think we both know that if it went before the voters today, it would NOT pass. So give the people back their voice and repeal rank choice voting (2020 ballot measure 2)

As a voting resident in Alaska, I support HB 4.

Respectfully,  
Cassie Lawver  
(907) 299-7014

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** David Weber <weber@xyz.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 13:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I support HB 4

David Weber  
Homer Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** David Nees <davidneesak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 18:17  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

We are writing in support of HB4.

RCV like VBM should both be prohibited like Montana did.

Proportional voting has not been effective in any of the countries it has been implemented in at raising voting participation rates.

The bloating of voter rolls could simply be fixed by eliminating current pre registration, and returning to Alaska's former in person same day registration, used from statehood until 1970.

David and Christine Nees  
19279 HolbeCooper Landing Ak

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** karen chancler <kchancler@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 20:07  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank choice voting

Dear Legislators,

Please repeal rank choice voting. It makes voting very confusing & I feel this way of voting makes it easy to cheat by making democrats vote in republican primaries.

Please bring back the style of voting we had prior.

Thank you,

Karen Chancler

1506 Farmers loop

Fairbanks, Ak 99709

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S10, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Amanda Forsting <ajforsting@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 20:24  
**To:** House Judiciary; Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh  
**Subject:** House Bill 4

Dear Representatives,

I write to tell you, as a resident of Alaska and constituent of Alaska voting systems, that I support House Bill #4 and I believe it is the best interest of the state, of Alaska voters and of election integrity to repeal Ranked Choice Voting as soon as possible. It never should have been signed into law in the first place but voters were deceived, manipulated with erroneous facts and promises and were not given full information of how their election cycles would be effected. This system is disastrous. The prior voting systems, with one ballot, per voter, in person, with photo ID, with candidates from any/all parties available to be chosen for ONE vote per election, have worked for years and years without flaw until the past few election cycles. Ranking votes is simply a way to sway votes a particular way each and every time and minimize voices that certain groups don't want to hear. But in Alaska we ALL have voices, we should ALL have votes, and each of our votes should count, not in rank style, but in being cast and counted. I plead with you to get rid of this horrible un-American system and let us use a system we've had in place for a long time and uphold our constitutional right to vote for our elected leaders. If you will not stand for us, who will? And better yet, why should we ever vote for (or rank) you again if you fail us in this?

Sincerely,  
Amanda Forsting



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** LTJ AK <ltjones1976@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 21:56  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I'm writing to let you know I support the repeal of ranked choice voting!  
Linda Jones

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** jason kerrone <kerronej@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 23:15  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB4

Jason Kerrone  
PO Box 422  
Anchor Point ,Ak 9955  
kerronej@hotmail.com  
907-982-3892  
5/10/2023

House Judiciary Committee  
Alaska State Capitol  
120 4th Street  
Juneau, AK 99801

**Subject: Support for HB 4 - Repeal of Ranked Choice Voting and Restoration of Plurality Voting**

Dear Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

As a 48-year Alaskan resident, I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 4, which aims to repeal ranked choice voting (RCV) and restore plurality voting. I believe that RCV does not effectively lead to a candidate who represents the majority of voters, as observed in the 2014 paper in the journal *Electoral Studies*. The elimination of ballots and exclusion of voters from the decision-making process under RCV undermine the fundamental principle of democracy.

Plurality voting, on the other hand, has been a long-standing part of our democratic tradition, allowing voters to carefully consider candidates and select the one who aligns with their values and interests. By restoring plurality voting, we can simplify the decision-making process, encourage healthy competition, and ensure that the voices of all Alaskans are represented.

I urge you to support HB 4 and vote in favor of repealing ranked choice voting and restoring plurality voting. This change will ensure that our electoral system reflects the will of the majority and guarantees the participation and representation of all Alaskans. Thank you for your time and commitment to serving our great state.

Yours sincerely,

Jason Kerrone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** null null <jason@alpineridgeservices.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 23:26  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB4

Mariah Kerrone  
Anchor Point , AK  
Mariah.schlott@gmail.com  
907-982-3891  
5/10/23

House Judiciary Committee  
Alaska State Capitol  
120 4th Street  
Juneau, AK 99801

**Subject: Support for HB 4 - Repeal of Ranked Choice Voting and Restoration of Plurality Voting**

Dear Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

I'm writing to express my strong support for House Bill 4, which aims to repeal ranked choice voting (RCV) and restore plurality voting. RCV fails to effectively represent the majority of voters, and restoring plurality voting would be a more suitable alternative.

RCV's practical implementation falls short, with an easily exhausted electorate often neglecting to rank all candidates, resulting in some voters having their ballots eliminated and no say in the final outcome.

To ensure the representation of all voters, it's crucial to repeal RCV and restore plurality voting. Plurality voting allows voters to carefully consider candidates and select the one that best aligns with their values and interests.

Repealing RCV and restoring plurality voting will respect the rights of all voters and prevent exclusion from the decision-making process.

I urge you to support HB 4 and vote in favor of repealing ranked choice voting and restoring plurality voting. This change will ensure that our electoral system better reflects the will of the majority and guarantees the participation and representation of all Alaskans.

Thank you for your dedication to serving our state.

Sincerely,

Mariah Kerrone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sarah Zatalokin <sarahzatalokin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 07:08  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support

Support

Palmer Resident. I don't want rank choice voting.

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Scott S <scottno2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 07:31  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

Greetings, I'm writing to encourage you to support HB4. There's nothing good with Rank Choice Voting, so please get rid of it. Thank you.

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Gail Limbaugh-Moore <gmlmoore123@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 07:38  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** I support HB 4

My name is Gail Limbaugh-Moore and I support HB 4. RCV gave us candidates that would have never made it without this system.

Thank-You,  
Gail Limbaugh-Moore

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Ralph Crane <kummok@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 07:51  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Please Support HB4!

Rank Choice voting isn't complex but it denies my individual right to vote for a specific candidate when it goes beyond the first "tier" and shifts into auto-vote. It is simply a tool for voter suppression and needs to stop. Please support HB4 to make that happen!

Ralph Crane  
54377 Kavik Ct  
Homer, AK 99577

951-218-6362

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Richard Cameron <cameronscabins@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 07:51  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support of HB 4

I strongly support HB 4. We need to repeal Rank Choice voting. It is too difficult for many to understand and navigate, and is too susceptible to fraud.

Thank you for your time.

Richard Cameron. Phone 907-399-6500.  
Address: 36905 Bandy Ct, Homer, Ak.99603

Sent from my iPhone



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Jeff Erickson <jeffhro@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 08:05  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I am in support of HB4. I ask you to end rank choice voting. It is confusing to some people and does not reflect the will of the residents of Alaska accurately.

From Jeff Erickson  
4453 East Hill Rd  
Homer, AK 99603  
9073991495

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Edith Grunwald <ediegrunwald@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 08:09  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Yes, HB4, Repeal Rank Choice Voting

Greetings,

All things holy - Rank Choice Voting must be repealed!

Whatever people thought they were voting for, it resulted confusion, problems, lower turnout and is so complicated it took classes, books, pictures, videos, and more to explain Rank Choice Voting.

It must be repealed! Legislators, please be the heroes, do Alaska a huge favor and repeal this insidious RCV way of attempting to vote.

Support HB4!

Thank you,

Edie & Ben Grunwald

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** David Brittingham <amphibman7@reagan.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 08:14  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB 4

I support HB 4. Please pass it.  
David Brittingham  
Anchor Point

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Laura Camp <lauracamp1222@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 08:24  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** I VOTE YES FOR HB 4!

As a native Alaskan born here in 1958 while Alaska was still a territory, and whose great grandpa came to AK during the Gold Rush, my family is appalled at the direction of our beautiful state!!

We must do away with Rank Choice Voting!! I vote "YES" on HB 4!

Laura Wells Camp  
Homer, Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Willard Steenhout <wsteenhout@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 08:46  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4

Please pass HB 4 and repeal rank choice voting. Thank you. Willard and Shirley Steenhout. HOMER ALASKA

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Delayna Davis <joyful\_dj@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:07  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB 4

My name is DeLayna West. I am from district 6.

I strongly encourage your support of HB 4, because those that voted for it feel like we were not informed. So that means it was not informed consent. We feel tricked, lied to, and cheated. Please repeal rank choice voting. Thank you for your consideration.

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Mark Edens <markedensak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:16  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB4

Sent from my iPhone

Dear Committee,

I am Mark Edens from Homer, a lifelong resident and voter of Alaska. I fully support HB4 and ask you to repeal ranked choice voting.

Ranked choice voting is not the will of the majority of the people of Alaska. Overwhelmingly, the folks I have talked to who did cast their vote for proposition 2, did so strongly influenced by the fear of dark money. They did not want ranked choice voting, but it was unconscionable to have dark money influence the vote. The reality is that the people in my arena clearly do not want ranked choice voting and feel very misrepresented by the vote for proposition 2.

Before the election, I held multiple public meetings, specifically to educate folks on how ranked choice voting works. I brought in experts on the subject and discussed it in depth. The fact is, some of us got a good understanding of it but most folks clearly did not. In reality, most people could not even explain it to you right now.

Nationwide, elections are already greatly viewed as susceptible to fraud. Now it's even worse. Ranked choice voting has proven to have two huge negative consequences; one, it adds significant confusion to the process, and two, it multiplies suspicion. It is the opposite of a trustworthy election. Please support HB4!

Thank you for your time,

Mark Edens

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Matt and Jill <alaskalife907@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:16  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I am writing to voice my support for HB4. I do not like RCV, and I want it gone! It is bad for our state and our elections.

Thank you,

Jill Hockema  
907-299-3781  
54699 Rolling Meadows Rd  
Homer, AK 99603

Sent from Proton Mail mobile



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Denise Allen <dallen8910@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:23  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

Sirs,

I hope I have the correct bill.

I am writing today in support of REPEALING RANK CHOICE VOTING!

It is a confusing system, that I feel is easily manipulated for a desired outcome and essentially makes too many votes invalid.

Many states are not only repealing rank choice voting but counties are outlawing it. I sure would like us in Alaska to be doing the same.

No to rank choice voting!

Denise Allen

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Dixie D. Banner <ddbanner1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:34  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** The RCV Must be repealed

The RVC was a goat rope and should have never interested into our election system! The agenda set AK back 10 years and placed Lisa Murkowski in Congress illegally! She is a disgrace and fails to honor our country and AK; refuses to close the Southern Border and clearly follows the agenda of the Deep State!

Furthermore, it is a known fact that the program was not officially approved by the People! However, yet it was implemented at the discretion of Kevin Myer who should have been fired; however, since he is an elected official he was exempt from criminal charges! No one is above the law and you need to demand Professional Accountability across the board!

We are fed up with the games and have had enough! It is time for you to Cut the Budget/Down size government and leave our PFD alone! The caucus agenda is totally illegal especially since the games fail to represent All Alaskans!

Lastly, the power belongs to the People not a selected few whom seem to totally disrespect our State and their oath of office!

Allowing RCV to be implemented and retained on the books is totally wrong! Repeal Now not later!

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Eva Stovall <grandmastovall@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:40  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV HB4

I just want to let you know that we really need you to support HB4 I work the poles and people hate rank choice voting. It takes them several ballots to get their vote to work the way they want it. Some just get fed up and force their vote through because of frustration, not getting to vote the way they want

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note9, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone  
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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Charlie Franz <kachemakcharlie@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:49  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

Good Morning,

Unfortunately, I am unable to participate in the hearing on HB4 this afternoon, but want to express my support for the bill. Ranked Choice Voting must go!

Respectfully,  
Charlie Franz  
Homer - District 6

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Gee Denton <geezmail7@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 09:59  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4

This email is to speak for Alaskan's freedom to honestly and earnestly be able to vote for the election of officials that govern and run our state. Vote per vote so that as

we do diligence to choose and participate with decisions that affects each of us, we will be honored to see honest voting at the polls.

Remove the rank choice voting system and allow us as Alaskans to return to electing the person of our choice...period.

No more rank choice voting.

Thank you,

G.L. Denton ( 24 year resident and voting citizen)  
2405 Judy Rebecca Ct.  
Homer, Ak 99603

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Allen Kirby <allkir@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:01  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Ranked Choice Voting and Open Primaries

As a retired member of the USAF and an Alaskan who has voted here since 1988 I am writing to voice my desire to see the Ranked Choice Voting and Open Primary plan be overturned as it's bad for Alaska. We didn't benefit by this in the last election so as a constituent I am requesting that my voice be heard and you act in the best interest of all Alaskans who feel the same way I do...this is a bad plan and needs immediate correction.

Respectfully,

Allen L Kirby, Senior Master Sergeant, USAF (Retired)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Randy Moore <moorerandy@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:18  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh; Rep. Laddie Shaw; Giessel Catherine  
**Subject:** Remove Ranked Choice Voting / Public Testimony

Thanks for the opportunity to provide my thoughts and I appreciate Senator Giessel's newsletter reminding her constituents of the opportunity.

We need to return to one vote for one person. This simple process has worked well for many years and ranked choice has complicated the process and adds confusion and mistrust to the voting process.

Voters should be able to weigh in on who their best choice is for primary races and always be able to vote freely in the general election between those candidates who made it to the ballot.

I have "Voters Remorse" after using the system and encourage you to reverse this terrible system back to the way it was for years.

Sincerely,  
Randy J Moore  
4640 Southpark Bluff Drive  
Anchorage, Alaska 99516  
832.247.2148

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Joyce Turkington <jturkak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:18  
**To:** Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB 4

I am expressing my support for HB 4.  
We need to go back to every persons vote counting!

Joyce Turkington  
907-299-0348

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Joyce Turkington

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**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Sherry Gladden <gladdensherry@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:20  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I support HB4 and get rid of Rank Choice Voting.

Thank You,  
Sherry Gladden

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Linda Fay Graham <eastlandcreekalaska@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:22  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB-4 REPEAL RANK CHOICE VOTING

"I am Thomas W Graham from District6.  
I enthusiastically support HB-4 and the repeal of Ranked Choice Voting.  
Thank you."

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Missy Cail <emacail53@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:25  
**To:** Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank choice voting

To whom it may concern, I plead that you PASS HB4 to get rid of RCV. Voting should not be this convoluted. Im not saying that there are nefarious intentions at play but there is no good reason why this needed to be implemented. One choice, one vote. Thank you for your time. Eric M. Cail

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Kathy Toms <kathytomsalaska@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:30  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

Members of the House,  
Please support HB4, the repeal of ranked choice voting in Alaska. I do not believe it represents "one person one vote". Also it is very confusing for most people. Once I understood ranked choice voting, I shared my understanding with many other disenfranchised voters. It was amazing how many voters did not understand it. I think I was able to explain it to most to understand, but there were many that just did not "get it". Please support the repeal.



*Kathy Toms*

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Thomas Graham <twgbuilder@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:33  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4 REPEALRANKED CHOICE VOTING

" I am Thomas W Graham from District 6.  
I enthusiastically support HB4 and the REPEAL of ranked Choice Voting.  
Thank you."

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Robin Billiet <mom\_puck@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:43  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4, Repeal Rank Choice Voting

Greetings,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding RCV and my support for HB4. I have lived in Alaska all of my life, 61 years. I have voted in every election since my 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and, I've had faith in our election process. In the last few years that faith has been tested in ways I never imagined would happen in my country. Because of this I have become very involved in the political arena in my city and talk to dozens of people regularly regarding their feelings about how elections are handled in Alaska. The majority have expressed total confusion about how RCV works and some have decided not to participate because they feel the system is rigged and intentionally difficult to understand. I have knocked on doors for several candidates in the past couple of years and during the election cycle that used RCV, the questions I received the most were about how RCV works and how people can vote to get the outcome they desire. Citizens should not have to do math and figure out how to use their votes to make the system set in place work. They should be able to go into a voting booth, vote for who they want and walk away confident about their vote. The election held in 2022 where RCV was used for the first time ended with results that I don't believe represent the will of the people of Alaska. RCV is convoluted and confusing. Alaska has a historically low voter turnout as it is and I believe RCV will cause even less people to participate.

I implore you to do away with RCV and give the people an easy election process that does not lead to discouragement and disillusion.

Respectfully,  
Robin Billiet

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Jonathan Hamilton <jhamilton@homerfoundation.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:43  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB4

Dear Legislators,

I would like to express my support for HB4 and the repeal of Rank Choice Voting. I am grateful to Representative Vance and others for putting this bill forward.

Respectfully,

**JONATHAN HAMILTON**

Director of Development & Marketing

• homer, alaska

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*from Ninilchik to Nanwalek  
and everywhere in between.*

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** francine reuter <reuterranch@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:47  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** support of HB 4

STOP rank choice voting

Francine Reuter

*"To foster, promote, and inspire the belief in our given gifts, passions and talents."*  
**(907) 360 0155**



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Diane Adey <diane.adey@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:48  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support of HB 4

I am in support of the HB 4 for repealing the ranked choice voting. I am an a registered voter in this state and have lived here my entire life.

Thank you.

Diane Kendrick-Adey  
PO Box 601  
Nenana 99760  
907-378-9669

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Yahoo Mail <doliverson@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:48  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 Ranked Choice

Judiciary members, I stand in support of HB4 to repeal the voting process referred to as Ranked Choice. I don't think that all Alaskans understood how ranked choice would work, or that the voters had to vote for other candidates to get the one candidate they wanted to win. The confusion of guessing who would come in 2nd or 3rd place, and help a candidate gather votes is not my idea of voting for leaders of our government. We don't vote for 4 different candidates for President of the United States, clearly a one vote one candidate process, no guessing on the outcomes of other candidates.

I ask you to move HB4 forward so electing government officials is not a guessing game, and that all Alaskans have one vote, for one candidate. Clear not confusing. Thank you for your service.

Doug Oliverson

*Retired N.E.A. / A.E.A. Member*

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reed <glacierbear@alaskan.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:48  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh  
**Subject:** Open Primary and Ranked Choice Voting

Dear Committee Members,

Please repeal Open Primary and Ranked Choice Voting. I dislike using this flawed system and do not think it represents my choices in voting adequately.

Sincerely,

Katherine Reed

13331 Shelburne Road, Anchorage, AK 99516

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Corbin Arno <corbinwaynearno@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 10:51  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked choice voting

I support the repeal of ranked choice voting.  
Corbin Arno

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Cris Tyree <tyreecris1960@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:02  
**To:** House Judiciary

HB 4. I am in favor of this bill. I want honest transparent truthful no nonsense voting. "Rank" can mean something that smells gross. Meat that is going bad is "rank". This tells it all on rank voting. Plz vote for HB 4.

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Erik Adey <erikadey@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:03  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I am an almost 40 year Alaskan and I do not want ranked choice voting. I will never vote for any representative that supports ranked choice voting. I am signing a petition to put ranked choice voting on the ballot

I am concerned that a lot of money and resources are coming from out of state to influence our elections, and insist that people representing me act to counter Outside influence. This particularly includes international influence, which has absolutely no place in American or Alaskan politics.

Once again; Vote Against Ranked Choice Voting!!!

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** DGjuneau <DGjuneau@protonmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:14  
**To:** House Judiciary; sarah.vance@akleg.gov; jaie.allard@akleg.gov;  
ben.carpenter@akleg.gov; craig.johnson@akleg.gov; david.eastman@akleg.gov;  
andrew.gray@akleg.gov; cliff.groh@akleg.gov; Sen. Jesse Kiehl; Rep. Andi Story  
**Subject:** HB 4

Dear Legislator,

As a resident of Alaska for more than 50 years, I am writing to voice my support for House Bill 4. Please vote yes to repeal ranked choice voting and open primaries.

Please recall it is your responsibility to represent Alaskan voters.

Thank you,

D. Grieser

I support the repeal of Rank Choice Voting. All you have to do is look at the money that came from out of state to support proposition 2. George Soros is behind RCV. It was very confusing for my 95 year old World War 11 veteran to understand how to vote last November. Each candidate that he supported want you vote a certain way which was confusing to him. I'm a 69 year Alaskan Resident the old system served us well. We would have had different people representing us in Washington DC and Juneau under old system, and that's a fact. Lisa Murkowski and Bill Walker were behind RCV. Thanks for listening. Al Smay



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** SRC Clarke <stacie.flrise@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:22  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support HB 4 - repeal ranked voting

Ranked Voting needs to be repealed. It's flawed and cancels out "The People's" votes. It is unconstitutional and needs to be removed.

Signed,

Stacie Clarke  
Homer, Alaska  
907-302-2889  
[Scla@oaktreestaffing.com](mailto:Scla@oaktreestaffing.com)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Cory Montague <docmontag@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:29  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal RCV Now!

I am in support of repealing Ranked Choice Voting. It is confusing and designed to deter people from voting.

Cory Montague  
1816 Blackburn Way  
North Pole, Alaska  
99705  
907-371-5187

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** The Goose Hangar <grumman703@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:32  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** House Bill 4

Legislative/ committee members

I support repeal of ranked choice voting. RCV arrives at absurd results. A prominent example is the recent Congressional situation. Most voters throughout supported a Republican/ conservative candidate. But the result was a center left Congresswoman. The immediate effect of RCV is to accentuate the ability of a minority view to prevail as long as those supporting that view are better organized than the majority and less inclined to entertain moderately different views, either in the general conservative or progressive arena. Using the same example, the R side of the election should have had primary which would have set the stage for a clear choice between conservative and progressive principles. What we got was D unity verses R division of votes.

Nothing is perfect. But RCV is a really bad idea.

John Pletcher  
Anchorage

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** John Powers <john.tudorbingo@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:34  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4 support

Please repeal rank choice voting! Thanks. John Powers

John K. Powers  
Owner / Operator  
Powers Brothers Inc. DBA Tudor Bingo Center.  
1436 East Tudor Rd. Anchorage, Alaska. 99507  
(907) 561-4711 Office  
(907) 561-7888 Fax  
(907) 350-7599 Cell

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sandra Powers <sandypowers7@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:34  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4

I definitely support HB 4 to repeal Ranked Choice Voting

Sandy Powers  
907-242-8840

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Thomas Graham <twgbuilder@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:40  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4 REPEAL OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** mary.verhoef@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mary VerHoef  
<mary.verhoef@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:41  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** I oppose HB 4

Dear House Judiciary Committee,

Ranked choice voting is very good for democracy and Alaska.

I'm writing in opposition of House Bill 4, and to show my support for open primaries and ranked-choice voting. In 2020, most Alaskan voters chose to implement ranked-choice voting, showing broad public support for this new system. Repealing our new voting system and switching back to the old one would not only confuse voters but also cost our state money and resources. Please focus on more pressing issues this legislative session and leave ranked-choice voting and open primaries intact.

Sincerely,

Mary VerHoef

4361 Kallenberg Rd Fairbanks, AK 99709-2227 mary.verhoef@gmail.com

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** David Witt <farnorthdave56@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:44  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Voting

To whom this concerns,

I've been a resident of this state for over 42 years.

I am asking, in the strongest sense possible, that Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) be repealed.

It has not served the people of Alaska.

Sincerely,  
David S Witt  
(907) 863-2100 [farnorthdave56@gmail.com](mailto:farnorthdave56@gmail.com)



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** darren.montefu@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:45  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal RCV

I would like to repeal RCV and put the election results back in the hands of our Alaskan voters, I am Darren Montefu, address is 3535 Joan Ave North Pole AK 99702

V/R  
Darren Montefu  
Sent from my iPhone

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** wtf9832@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Charles Chmielowiec <wtf9832@everyactioncustom.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:46  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** I oppose HB 4

Dear House Judiciary Committee,

I'm in favor of repeling the rank choice voting system and going back to the old voting system one person one vote

Sincerely,  
Charles Chmielowiec  
14364 E Woodpecker Ave # 1257 Talkeetna, AK 99676 wtf9832@gmail.com

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Thomas Graham <twgbuilder@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:46  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4 REPEAL OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING

" I am Fay Graham from District 6.  
I enthusiastically support HB4 and the REPEAL OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING.  
THANK YOU."

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** George Hall <ghall118@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:48  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Ranked Choice Voting

Please vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Thank you  
Regards

Registered voter:  
George Hall  
Homer, AK



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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Steve <steveduffyak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 11:49  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Support of HB5 - Repeal RCV

Hello,

I am a resident of Eagle River and want to voice my support for repealing RCV. I think RCV is a terrible idea and want it to be known that there is a significant number of people whom feel the same way but we are too busy actually working and earning a living to flood the call bank like the liberal activists, who want you to think that they hold the majority viewpoint. Not true! Don't sell us out, please! I will be watching your votes on this and other bills and we will hold our elected representatives accountable at the ballot box.

Sincerely,  
Steve Duffy

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Steve Duffy, MBA, PMP  
CDR, USN (Ret.)  
(m) 907-726-3509  
[steveduffyak@gmail.com](mailto:steveduffyak@gmail.com)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** David Frazier <david.frazier@dfabenefits.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:21  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Rank Choice Voting

House Judiciary Committee: Vote to repeal Rank Choice Voting. It is confusing and illegal per the Alaska Constitution. Alaska does not need this law. It was a mistake. Outside, dark money politized RCV voters. Vote No, send it to the next committee.

### **David Frazier, Super Voter**

c: (907) 244-4815  
2636 Shepherdia Drive, 99508

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** kyle edens <kyleedens@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:22  
**To:** House Judiciary

My name is Kyle Edens, I'm from District 6. I am in support of HB4.

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Diane Buchanan <dkbucan@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 12:23  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** repeal rank choice voting

It is time to repeal Rank Choice Voting.

Diane Buchanan  
46910 Tagala Ct  
Soldotna Ak 99669

907-252-9766  
dkbucan@icloud.com

Sent from my iPhone



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Jacquelyn Briskey <akcountess@ymail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 14:52  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Yes on HB4

I respectfully ask that you approve HB4 to end Rank Choice Voting. It was promoted as a way to keep outside money out of Alaska politics, and in this last election cycle, it did exactly the opposite. It caused massive confusion with the electorate, and most important, it allowed many people to vote for more than one person. Our country was founded on one person - one vote. I urge you to pass HB4 to end Rank Choice voting now, before another election goes off the rails.

Jacquelyn M Briskey  
Chugiak, Alaska

**Jake Almeida**

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**From:** Kathy Steadman <thesteady5@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:05  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** RCV

I would like to ask you vote yes on HB 4. Let's repeal Ranked Choice Voting!!

Thank you!

Kathy Steadman (Soldotna)

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Heather Clopton <heather.clopton@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:21  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Vote to Repeal Ranked Choice Voting

Please vote to Repeal Ranked Choice Voting. Alaskans were fooled into voting in favor of Ranked Choice Voting and now that we know what a train wreck it is we don't want it. Again, please vote to Repeal Ranked Choice Voting.

Thank you,  
Heather Clopton

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Crystal <akhoffman@gci.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:35  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Please repeal rank choice voting

Please repeal rank choice voting! Please support HB4!

Crystal Hoffman  
Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Paul Bauer <pbauer@alaskan.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:38  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh  
**Subject:** Honest Elections!  
**Importance:** High

Dear Legislators,

Sorry for being late.

We already had better elections before RCV. Its those that want to change the rules for their benefit with "Better" elections. What we need is HONEST elections, that is why I support Alaskans for Honest Elections. One Vote, One Candidate, win or lose.

Thank you,



**Paul Bauer Jr.**

Former Assemblymember

[pbauer@alaskan.com](mailto:pbauer@alaskan.com)

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6244 Eastwood Ct  
Anchorage, AK 99504  
**907-338-8056 home**

**907-952-2807 cell**

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Valerie Davies <daviesmeatballs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:39  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Rank choice votting

Please repeal rank choice voting.

Valerie Davies  
of Chugiak Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Tom Graham <tomgraham.alaska@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:40  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 REPEAL RANKED CHOICE VOTING

"I AM THOMAS W GRAHAM FROM DISTRICT 6.  
I enthusiastically support HB4 and the REPEAL OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING.  
THANK YOU.'

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Linda's Gmail <lindafellhill@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:45  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I support HB4. We need to get rid of rank choice voting. Please support HB4.

Most sincerely,  
Linda L Hill  
Dwight E Hill  
12410 Hopa Cir  
Anchorage, AK 99515

Sent from my iPad



## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sybille Castro-Curry <seaotterlady@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 15:53  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

Please please vote in favor of repealing HB 4. We do not want RCV.

In other words, for a voter's voice to fully count in every round of an RCV election, he must vote for all candidates on the ballot, even those he may not support.

Because of ballot exhaustion, winners of RCV races do not necessarily represent the choice of all voters who participated. RCV claims to protect majority rule, but in reality, RCV creates an artificial majority by eliminating the votes of the lowest-scoring candidates during successive tabulations. One study of Maine elections found that, of 98 recent RCV elections, 60 percent of RCV victors did not win by a majority of the total votes cast.<sup>12</sup>

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Pat Virden <pat7.pv@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 16:03  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Testimony on RCV

Please count the two of us in favor of repeal of RCV. We are 25 year residents of the state; we do not want Ranked Choice Voting. We have signed the petition to rid Alaska of RCV.

Respectfully,

Eugene and Patricia Virden  
PO Box 771297  
Eagle River, AK 99577

Sent from my iPad

11 May 2023

House Judiciary Committee

Representative Sarah Vance

Representative Ben Carpenter

Representative David Eastman

Representative Cliff Groh

I am writing to you today in support of House Bill 4. You are currently charged with passing this bill because it is the right thing to do for our state. Ballot Measure originally said it would get rid of "Dark Money", it did not. In fact it used "Dark Money" to get the Measure passed, nearly \$8 Million of "Dark Money" and it worked! Our people were told in the advertising that Ballot Measure would make it easier to vote, IT DID NOT! There are many people whom I have discussed this issue with who said this is so ridiculous, it will never pass and when it did, they said people of Alaska are really dumb. Why did they vote it in, why did those who didn't vote go to the polls and vote it down? Why do we have the least voter turnout in a decade? Why is it even in the legislature to have to deal with? You can thank the ultra-liberals and Dark Money for that. You can also thank the way Ballot Measure was written. It is so convoluted and difficult to understand, that most people got part way through it and said, "Oh, gets rid of Dark Money, it must be good," without even finishing the read. Now it is your turn to do something good for our state and get our elections back to one person one vote, not one person four votes. Get rid of the shell game and get back to where we can trust our elections, which we do not now.

Thank you for your service.

Pray for Our Country,

Sally Duncan

P.O. Box 16108

Two Rivers AK 99716

(907)388-3376

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sara Faulkner <sara.m.faulkner@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 16:51  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal Ranked Choice Voting

Please vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Thank you  
Regards

Registered voter:  
Sara Faulkner,  
Homer, AK

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** E.A. Jackson-Hall <ejhall@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 17:41  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Repeal RCV

If I didn't have a job I would spend the day making phone calls. However, I do work, so this email must suffice. I strongly support repeal of rank choice voting. I could say it 1000 times but once should be enough.

Emily Hall  
Kasilof, AK  
907-252-5231

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Marty E <akmartye@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 18:28  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4-YES

Vote YES to repeal ranked choice voting. Restore the clarity and fairness to the election process.

ONE CITIZEN-ONE VOTE

Albert Edwards  
Eagle River, AK  
907-854-3092

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Philip Needham <philip.nhbn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 18:57  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4

I am in support of HB 4

Philip Needham  
Residence:40850 waterman road  
P.O. Box 2389  
Homer, AK 99603

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Sharon Needham <sharon.nhbn@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 18:58  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

I am in support of HB 4

Sharon Needham  
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Homer, AK 99603

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Greg Collins <greg\_allseasons@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 19:20  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Hb4

I am in 100% support of repealing RCV. This is the most criminal abuse of Power I have ever witnessed! Rank Choice opens doors that Pandora would be ashamed of.

Greg Collins  
Collins Excavation and Services Inc.  
Homer Friends of NRA  
907-299-2625

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** amym@acsalaska.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 19:54  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB 4

To whom this concerns I support hb 4 it should be 1 person, 1 vote, 1 day and paper ballots not 2 weeks I live by myself my parents are deceased it's already hard to pay my bills that's all I have to say thanks

Amy Murrills  
Fairbanks Alaska

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Nathan Lindeke <akbushplane@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 20:16  
**To:** Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh; House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

To The Judiciary Committee and Representatives,

We are writing to ask you to pass HB4. We do not believe rank choice voting is fair, financially wise or easily understood.

Many people did not vote due to lack of understanding or believing their vote would matter because they could not vote for the party they chose.

Statistics show that the states that brought rank choice voting into their state have or are trying to get rid of it. Why should Alaska waste time and money trying to make something work that does not work?

Thank you  
Nathan and Sandra Lindeke

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Wes Cartey <wcartey@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 20:44  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh; Rep. Jesse Sumner  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Repeal

Good Evening,

I fully support the repeal and removal of the ranked choice voting system. We have see the direct results of it in this last election cycle. Results being delayed for weeks and an over complication of the system that has worked for years. We tried it and it failed it's time to go back to the reliable voting system.

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** judgebehnken@reagan.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 21:41  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Voting

Please Repeal Ranked Choice Voting. It is an absolute failure. It does not allow for legitimate voting rights.

Thank you

Judge Richard L Behnken (retired)

69279 Royce Drive  
Ninilchik, AK 99639

(907) 250-8165

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Gregory Smith <greg.smith.ak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 22:35  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Hb4

I am sending this email in support of HB4!

Thank you

Greg Smith

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Stephen West <ste\_ste00@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2023 22:49  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Yes on HB4

Stephen West

I strongly support HB4, I haven't seen confusion from voters like this ever, I get it (it's new and give it time) NO..... even the Div of elections was giving out false directions... I know this because when it came time to count the ballots, the rules changed and the outcome was affected and no one is accountable???

It was announced as a way to keep dark money out of Alaska elections...(100% funded campaign of dark money from lower 48) We were taken advantage of and it should be Repealed!!!! Yes on HB4

Sent from my iPhone

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Mary Moesh <mom1124@gci.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 00:00  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** REPEAL RANK CHOICE VOTING!

I and my family do not feel that "Rank Choice Voting " did anything it was supposed to do! The last elections were a complete disaster and I feel we have NO TRUE representation in Congress anymore! I feel very disappointed in our State that we were severely compromised and manipulated into throwing away our choices in the Primaries and General elections! We want our voting systems restored! I want to feel that I was able to really choose who represents our parties values!

Mary Bourque-Moesh  
Ninilchik, AK

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Ann Brown <annsbrownis@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 00:28  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 - Statement in Support

### **Alaskans Don't Want Ranked Choice Voting**

In November 2020, a slim majority of Alaska voters selected a voting scheme requiring the Division Of Elections to implement an open primary and ranked choice voting. The ballot measure promoting this new voting system was largely marketed to Alaska voters to eradicate the influence of "dark money" in Alaska elections. The full import of eliminating the previous system of party centric primaries and a general election in which one candidate could be chosen by any given voter did not hit our collective consciousness until the June 2022 Special General election to replace congressman Don Young, and the November 2022 general election. Now that the Alaska electorate has had time to digest the results of the 2022 election cycle, a recent poll shows the repeal of ranked choice voting on the ballot would win by a margin of 53% to 47%, a greater margin than the 2020 ballot measure passed.

#### **Confusion:**

Turnout in the 2022 general election was 4% lower than in the comparable last two general elections featuring a governor candidate, but no presidential candidate. This can be attributable to the unnecessary complexity and confusion created by the open primary and top 4 general ballot. The traditional voting method of one person, one vote was on an upward trajectory of turnout in non presidential year general elections. Introducing the new system created confusion leading to disenfranchisement of voters, The goal should be to encourage broad participation. The convoluted open primary and ranked choice voting clearly contributed to deterring potential voters.

#### **Lack of Transparency:**

A lack of transparency in ranked choice voting systems can make it challenging to count and recount votes in any given race. In a traditional voting system, each voter selects a single candidate, making it clear which candidate has received the most support. Ranked choice voting, however, introduces a more convoluted counting process based on computer programming. This lack of transparency not only undermines the democratic principle of one person, one vote, but also results in voter cynicism and apathy, again leading to lower turnout.

#### **Gamesmanship:**

Ranked choice voting opens the door to strategic voting tactics, whereby voters may feel compelled to rank candidates strategically based on their perceived likelihood of winning, rather than the voters genuine preferences. This can distort the true will of the voters and undermine the integrity of the election process by making voters view elections as games rather than a chance to express their real preferences without the need for strategic calculations.

#### **Cost and Administrative Burden:**

Implementing ranked choice voting requires significant financial investment and administrative resources. Precious public funds could be better allocated to improving education, healthcare, and other important public services. Furthermore, the administrative burden of implementing and maintaining ranked choice voting systems diverts resources from ensuring accurate voter registration and preventing electoral fraud.

#### **Conclusion:**

It is important to consider the drawbacks and unintended consequences of maintaining the open primary and ranked choice voting. Alaska should prioritize reverting to the former simplicity, transparency, and integrity of its electoral system. The new voting scheme is confusing voters, compromising transparency, and encouraging strategic voting and gamesmanship. It is essential to prioritize proven and reliable methods that have served the democratic process effectively for decades.

Instead of supporting ranked choice voting, Alaska should focus on enhancing voter education, ensuring access to the polls, and promoting fair and competitive elections. Let us preserve the integrity and simplicity of our electoral system to maintain a healthy and vibrant democracy that best represents the will of the people.

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Steven Fritsche <stevenfritsche@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 01:21  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4 testimony

After listening to a lot of testimony from my fellow Alaskans, I decided to write in my testimony. It is certainly necessary as there are a lot of supporters of ranked choice voting that have significant misunderstandings evident by their testimony. They are parroting what they were told by the dark-money ads coming from outside our State. One wonders why outside interests were pumping so much money into ranked choice voting. Because the best Alaskan candidates are NOT best for those special interests, extreme leftist interests.

It is dangerous to our country and must be repealed.

The major reasons why I believe that HB4 should be a "yes" by all legislators is this:

1. I worked the poll in our last general election and I was stunned how many voters, my neighbors, had no idea how it works. They were confused and routinely voted incorrectly. There were more spoiled ballots than I've ever seen. There were MANY cases where voters voted for more than one candidate as their first choice. When that ballot was rejected for that race, we told the voter how to fix it. A large majority of the voters said to just process the ballot with the error anyway. That means that their vote in that race was NOT counted.
2. Having multiple candidates listed in the same political party dilutes voting blocks where majority ideals get split up. Also, having multiple candidates for the same party in the race encourages extremely dirty politicking and advertising.
3. Ranked choice voting favors middle-ground candidates that are not universally well-liked and mostly, not the best candidate for the seat. Rather, we end up with the lowest common denominator, the best of the worst candidates. In this last election, we ended up with candidates that were STRONGLY disliked by a majority, but due to the fuzzy math of ranking AND the misunderstanding of how to use it, we ended up with poor representatives.
4. The people who support it were deceived by false advertising from dark money outside our State. Curious how the ballot measure to eliminate dark money had a record amount of dark money supporting it. Hm.

Please pass HB4. Let's go back to the voting method that the electorate can understand. Thank you.

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Regards,  
Steve Fritsche  
Nikiski, AK  
907-513-9800

## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Thomas Brewer <pippintic@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 02:19  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Cc:** Rep. Sarah Vance; Rep. Jamie Allard; Rep. Ben Carpenter; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Andrew Gray; Rep. Cliff Groh  
**Subject:** HB 4

Please vote for this bill to get rid of Rank Choice Voting

Thank you for your support.

Thomas R Brewer  
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Anchorage, AK 99515

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## Jake Almeida

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**From:** Terrell Brewer <ltbrewer2@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 07:37  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** HB4

To the Alaska State Legislature,

I am appealing to you to vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4.

It did not Eliminate Dark Money from our elections and in my opinion did NOT make Voting easier.

I worked the voting polls for the last two elections both state and our local and some many folks were still confused even on the day of the elections. I even had folks tell me that they would not even vote because they were so confused, to me that is very unfortunate.

Thank you for your dedication.

Best Regards,

Terrell Brewer  
Soldotna, Alaska  
District 6

## **Jake Almeida**

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**From:** otnot@alaska.net  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2023 07:40  
**To:** House Judiciary  
**Subject:** Ranked Choice Voting

Please vote in favor of repealing Ranked Choice Voting in HB4

It did not do the two things that it promised to do:

1. It did not Eliminate Dark Money from elections
2. It did not Make Voting Easier

Voting in favor of repeal will make the Alaska Legislature look good to the people of Alaska

Thank you  
Regards  
James Trujillo