

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 3156

By: Roberts

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8 An Act relating to elections; prohibiting the use of
9 ranked choice voting; defining terms; declaring
10 certain ordinances and elections void; authorizing
11 certain entities to bring civil action; providing for
12 codification; and providing an effective date.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-112 of Title 26, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. No election conducted by the State Election Board, a county
19 election board, or any municipality authorized to conduct elections
20 in Oklahoma shall use ranked choice voting, ranked voting,
21 proportional ranked voting, preferential voting, or instant runoff
22 voting.

23 B. As used in this section, "ranked choice voting, ranked
24 voting, proportional ranked voting, and preferential voting" shall

1 mean any voting system whereby a voter ranks candidates in a
2 sequence from first, second, third, and onward on a ballot to
3 determine a winning candidate.

4 C. As used in this section, "instant runoff voting" shall mean
5 any voting system whereby a voter ranks candidates in a sequence
6 from first, second, third, and onward to determine which candidates
7 advance to a general election.

8 D. Any existing or future ordinance enacted or adopted by a
9 county, municipality, or any other local government entity which is
10 in conflict with this section is void. Any election for any public
11 office in this state conducted under a voting system prohibited by
12 this section is void.

13 E. The Oklahoma Attorney General shall have the authority to
14 bring a civil action in an appropriate court for such declaratory or
15 injunctive relief as is necessary to carry out this section. If the
16 Oklahoma Attorney General declines to pursue action, the Secretary
17 of the State Election Board, or the President Pro Tempore of the
18 Oklahoma State Senate and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of
19 Representatives jointly, may bring such civil action.

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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