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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 3690

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to elections; prohibiting political subdivisions from establishing or  
1.3 enforcing ranked-choice voting; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota  
1.4 Statutes, chapter 200.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. [200.025] RANKED-CHOICE VOTING; PROHIBITION.

1.7 (a) The following political subdivisions may not adopt or enforce in any manner a rule,  
1.8 resolution, or ordinance establishing ranked-choice voting as a method of voting, or any  
1.9 voting method similar to ranked-choice voting, for local offices within the political  
1.10 subdivision:

1.11 (1) home rule charter or statutory cities;

1.12 (2) counties;

1.13 (3) townships; and

1.14 (4) school districts.

1.15 (b) For purposes of this section, "ranked-choice voting" means any election method in  
1.16 which a voter ranks or assigns a numerical value to candidates for an office in order of the  
1.17 voter's preference.