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A bill for an act

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to State Government Finance and Policy and Elections
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Second reading

1.2 1.3	relating to elections; prohibiting political subdivisions from establishing or enforcing ranked-choice voting; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota
1.4	Statutes, chapter 204B.
1.5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.6	Section 1. [204B.50] RANKED-CHOICE VOTING; PROHIBITION.
1.7	(a) The following political subdivisions may not adopt or enforce in any manner a rule,
1.8	resolution, charter provision, or ordinance establishing ranked-choice voting as a method
1.9	of voting, or any voting method similar to ranked-choice voting, for local offices within the
1.10	political 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

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voter's preference.

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