

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3040

To prohibit the use of ranked choice voting in elections for Federal office.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2025

Mr. HAMADEH of Arizona (for himself and Mr. BEGICH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL

To prohibit the use of ranked choice voting in elections
for Federal office.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Preventing Ranked
5 Choice Corruption Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING RANKED CHOICE VOTING IN FED-**
7 **ERAL ELECTIONS.**

8 (a) PROHIBITION.—Title III of the Help America
9 Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21081 et seq.), as amended
10 by section 2(a) of the COCOA Act of 2024, is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating sections 305 and 306 as
 2 sections 306 and 307; and

3 (2) by inserting after section 304 the following
 4 new section:

5 **“SEC. 305. PROHIBITING RANKED CHOICE VOTING IN FED-**
 6 **ERAL ELECTIONS.**

7 “A State may not carry out any election for Federal
 8 office using a system of ranked choice voting under which
 9 each voter ranks the candidates for the office in the order
 10 of the voter’s preference.”.

11 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO EXIST-
 12 ING ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS.—Section 401 of such
 13 Act (52 U.S.C. 21111) is amended by striking “and 304”
 14 and inserting “304, and 305”.

15 (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
 16 of such Act is amended—

17 (1) by redesignating the items relating to sec-
 18 tions 305 and 306 as relating to sections 306 and
 19 307; and

20 (2) by inserting after the item relating to sec-
 21 tion 304 the following:

“Sec. 305. Prohibiting ranked choice voting in Federal elections.”.

22 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act and the amend-
 23 ments made by this Act shall apply with respect to elec-
 24 tions held during 2026 or any succeeding year.

