

Hello, I am an 80 year old grandmother who has been an election judge in Wabasha County for 35+ years. I care VERY much about election integrity in our state. I believe we have many voters who are overwhelmed and concerned about voting changes in the past and present. I am writing for my voters, to address some of the proposed changes.

Ranked choice voting is an unnecessarily complicated system that actually disenfranchises many voters. It also leads to a vast increase in spoiled ballots. It takes away from the idea of one person, one vote. It is not a fair system. A fair election means simplicity and understanding which ranked voting does not provide. Older and younger people alike will not understand the voting process which is not fair to the voter.

Ranked voting leads to more spoiled ballots. A spoiled ballot takes place when a voter is confused by the complicated ballot. And ranked choice ballots are complicated. In Minneapolis the ranked choice election saw one in every 10 ballots not counted because they were spoiled because of errors. In Maine's ranked voting system, a 19 page instruction manual was given to voters. Imagine needing 19 pages to understand what you are going to do with your ballot.

Elections are far too important to say we need a few election cycles for people to know what they are doing in the election booth. People's votes matter and ranked choice voting will not be beneficial in helping the people to vote the way they want to. PLEASE listen to your

constituents and the people of Minnesota and let us have a simple, fair system that everyone, young and old, can understand. As an election judge it is my duty to support and help the voter in any way I can. I do NOT feel that ranked choice voting will accomplish that goal. PLEASE vote against SF 2270.

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