



# H.B. 205 - Primary Election Amend.

## Objective

Implements a contingent vote instant runoff for all primary balloting

## Context



Prior to SB54 in 2014, only two candidates were allowed on the ballot, elections couldn't be won without >50% of the vote



Since SB54, 42 races have had more than two candidates on the primary ballot, and 79% won with <50% of the vote

Runoffs can cause issues:

- Voter fatigue
- Low turnout
- Overseas/Mail-in balloting
- More time for interparty fighting
- Additional cost

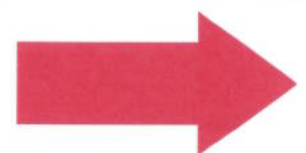
## The Solution?

Modified contingent voting using instant runoffs from primary ballots

## Why modified contingent voting?

Mitigates against the aforementioned issues

More on other side



## How does it work?

During primaries, voters would rank candidates in races with more than two candidates.



United States Senator Rank the candidates				
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Mike Conley Jr.	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 2	<input type="radio"/> 3	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 4

Clerks would only tabulate a voter's first choice. Candidates who receive more than 50% become the nominee for that party.



United States Senator Election Results	
Candidates	%
Jordan Clarkson	11%
Lauri Markkanen	15%
Collin Sexton	69%
Mike Conley Jr.	5%

If no candidates receive 50% of the vote, then a runoff is held between the top two candidates.



United States Senator Election Results	
Candidates	%
Jordan Clarkson	28%
<del>Lauri Markkanen</del>	<del>15%</del>
<del>Collin Sexton</del>	<del>22%</del>
Mike Conley Jr.	35%

The runoff ballot is cast for whichever candidate is ranked higher.



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## Party Membership By District as of January 2023

District	Current Threshold	Constitution	3% of		Independent		3% of		Unaffiliated	United Utah	Total
			Democratic	Democrats	American	Libertarian	Republican	Republican			
Statewide	28,000	7,920	270,053	8,102	76,648	24,808	970,810	29,124	575,238	2,858	1,965,561
CD1	7,000	1,833	69,192	2,076	19,068	6,078	241,448	7,243	150,486	567	497,991
CD2	7,000	2,204	75,032	2,251	19,888	6,041	231,753	6,953	136,003	789	480,914
CD3	7,000	1,831	65,613	1,968	19,377	6,422	262,260	7,868	145,232	769	511,340
CD4	7,000	2,052	60,216	1,806	18,315	6,267	235,349	7,060	143,517	733	475,316
HD01	1,000	165	1,268	38	809	288	16,661	500	6,847	23	26,599
HD02	1,000	131	2,236	67	802	320	15,032	451	6,978	38	26,055
HD03	1,000	87	3,344	100	845	365	10,820	325	7,210	28	23,124
HD04	1,000	72	5,496	165	1,330	335	15,348	460	9,760	16	32,982
HD05	1,000	125	1,906	57	733	254	16,609	498	7,202	22	27,406
HD06	1,000	100	1,810	54	888	264	15,805	474	7,479	29	26,903
HD07	1,000	104	3,395	102	1,053	298	11,465	344	7,868	29	24,658
HD08	1,000	89	4,397	132	1,190	336	11,833	355	8,541	40	26,913
HD09	1,000	104	3,823	115	1,139	335	9,550	287	8,098	31	23,481
HD10	1,000	95	4,172	125	1,139	360	8,765	263	8,044	39	23,002
HD11	1,000	89	3,212	96	1,027	333	10,753	323	7,627	26	23,486
HD12	1,000	125	2,684	81	1,005	342	13,236	397	8,179	37	26,086
HD13	1,000	104	2,701	81	1,010	313	11,927	358	8,036	34	24,564
HD14	1,000	83	2,478	74	951	334	12,158	365	7,774	23	24,240
HD15	1,000	94	2,271	68	971	315	15,758	473	7,869	39	27,858
HD16	1,000	109	3,184	96	1,066	366	12,830	385	7,843	33	25,911
HD17	1,000	93	2,414	72	975	299	15,440	463	8,167	29	27,953
HD18	1,000	62	2,380	71	850	266	16,169	485	7,658	23	27,964
HD19	1,000	82	2,807	84	840	345	15,712	471	8,133	20	28,495
HD20	1,000	79	3,455	104	976	347	12,383	371	8,053	23	25,791
HD21	1,000	63	6,446	193	913	298	4,429	133	7,097	65	19,637
HD22	1,000	42	9,670	290	1,155	345	7,881	236	8,568	34	28,222
HD23	1,000	37	9,719	292	1,042	279	10,910	327	9,074	20	31,700
HD24	1,000	54	10,093	303	1,167	350	6,047	181	8,754	42	26,991
HD25	1,000	79	4,496	135	719	176	3,531	106	5,702	78	15,022
HD26	1,000	112	4,634	139	834	235	6,670	200	7,666	47	20,537
HD27	1,000	99	4,247	127	921	273	7,092	213	7,861	48	20,881
HD28	1,000	162	2,852	86	1,106	349	10,705	321	8,952	46	24,579
HD29	1,000	197	1,799	54	999	287	15,726	472	7,941	35	27,510
HD30	1,000	89	4,689	141	855	264	7,000	210	7,520	61	20,829
HD31	1,000	90	4,754	143	859	262	5,768	173	6,919	48	19,016
HD32	1,000	53	7,656	230	1,073	338	6,151	185	8,031	47	23,763
HD33	1,000	28	7,224	217	941	273	13,049	391	9,330	18	31,471
HD34	1,000	63	6,585	198	1,108	330	10,656	320	8,438	18	27,715
HD35	1,000	67	5,692	171	1,079	331	8,532	256	8,262	45	24,435
HD36	1,000	88	4,452	134	915	268	10,027	301	8,320	44	24,548
HD37	1,000	71	4,334	130	766	226	5,594	168	7,117	63	18,469
HD38	1,000	81	4,048	121	931	288	9,088	273	7,842	27	22,699
HD39	1,000	88	4,050	122	939	273	9,401	282	7,754	30	22,939
HD40	1,000	57	5,456	164	1,084	361	7,311	219	7,879	47	22,578
HD41	1,000	77	7,045	211	1,233	362	12,190	366	9,749	25	31,258
HD42	1,000	50	5,090	153	996	322	15,468	464	9,385	31	31,959
HD43	1,000	85	5,217	157	1,158	374	11,182	335	9,168	41	27,717
HD44	1,000	79	3,791	114	1,082	344	14,215	426	8,517	38	28,606
HD45	1,000	74	3,665	110	976	300	14,033	421	8,248	31	27,858
HD46	1,000	84	3,489	105	1,089	352	14,886	447	7,860	37	28,348
HD47	1,000	82	2,927	88	967	340	14,653	440	7,984	34	27,514
HD48	1,000	102	3,485	105	1,029	399	12,641	379	8,157	29	26,326
HD49	1,000	106	2,600	78	1,037	355	13,517	406	7,866	28	25,993
HD50	1,000	198	1,876	56	1,089	440	14,345	430	7,357	28	25,820
HD51	1,000	134	2,138	64	1,260	502	16,215	486	7,752	43	28,595
HD52	1,000	102	1,999	60	1,011	407	14,503	435	7,327	43	25,887
HD53	1,000	98	1,807	54	947	414	16,492	495	7,234	42	27,583
HD54	1,000	102	1,608	48	1,042	381	21,021	631	7,173	43	32,049
HD55	1,000	130	1,801	54	980	395	16,516	495	7,491	35	27,898

HD56	1,000	110	2,523	76	1,031	392	12,152	365	7,084	57	23,789
HD57	1,000	104	2,577	77	1,143	462	14,241	427	7,690	44	26,766
HD58	1,000	100	2,282	68	977	321	18,919	568	7,389	51	30,675
HD59	1,000	100	5,314	159	1,456	391	14,805	444	9,589	29	32,288
HD60	1,000	77	1,571	47	745	252	7,794	234	5,734	40	16,494
HD61	1,000	122	2,468	74	944	330	11,739	352	6,943	43	23,015
HD62	1,000	92	2,677	80	1,025	408	10,892	327	7,619	62	23,182
HD63	1,000	141	1,843	55	1,023	382	17,652	530	7,859	47	29,532
HD64	1,000	147	1,649	49	853	355	16,292	489	7,231	51	27,116
HD65	1,000	155	1,583	47	970	340	16,351	491	7,363	38	27,338
HD66	1,000	207	1,146	34	744	198	16,735	502	5,854	44	25,464
HD67	1,000	158	2,666	80	990	219	15,037	451	6,559	34	26,194
HD68	1,000	157	1,310	39	837	227	18,461	554	4,173	44	25,802
HD69	1,000	97	4,953	149	948	207	14,474	434	8,071	66	29,399
HD70	1,000	170	1,192	36	847	251	18,754	563	5,514	43	27,369
HD71	1,000	156	2,179	65	1,156	435	16,130	484	6,009	37	26,651
HD72	1,000	215	2,556	77	1,678	485	20,459	614	7,072	30	33,185
HD73	1,000	169	2,471	74	1,480	433	18,504	555	6,585	44	30,315
HD74	1,000	144	3,459	104	1,516	388	18,912	567	7,012	40	32,142
HD75	1,000	184	2,767	83	1,384	424	16,808	504	6,227	41	28,422
SD01	2,000	394	4,274	128	2,323	751	40,761	1,223	19,391	70	69,315
SD02	2,000	289	6,686	201	2,039	836	35,333	1,060	18,066	81	64,591
SD03	2,000	236	11,062	332	2,986	831	29,730	892	21,597	76	67,742
SD04	2,000	291	7,196	216	2,698	811	36,023	1,081	21,727	87	70,130
SD05	2,000	246	9,939	298	2,839	910	26,055	782	20,831	88	61,988
SD06	2,000	240	6,330	190	2,486	842	34,593	1,038	20,019	83	65,821
SD07	2,000	234	6,954	209	2,610	828	40,886	1,227	21,412	70	74,429
SD08	2,000	192	10,960	329	2,349	888	33,675	1,010	21,040	72	70,515
SD09	2,000	129	23,189	696	2,815	787	18,972	569	21,233	109	68,499
SD10	2,000	235	11,617	349	2,018	569	13,031	391	17,023	150	45,382
SD11	2,000	406	7,802	234	2,781	929	29,666	890	21,861	104	64,673
SD12	2,000	206	11,514	345	2,102	646	15,556	467	18,343	150	49,329
SD13	2,000	169	17,991	540	2,659	797	16,194	486	20,223	104	59,163
SD14	2,000	115	18,477	554	2,801	785	31,473	944	23,714	59	78,923
SD15	2,000	190	14,725	442	2,863	926	23,624	709	22,324	101	65,903
SD16	2,000	217	11,129	334	2,393	728	25,434	763	21,010	87	62,095
SD17	2,000	223	9,818	295	2,736	917	35,034	1,051	21,644	92	71,810
SD18	2,000	241	7,220	217	2,553	899	34,997	1,050	20,084	79	67,340
SD19	2,000	172	11,006	330	2,715	896	39,735	1,192	22,491	96	78,633
SD20	2,000	327	9,395	282	3,022	761	41,687	1,251	18,182	100	75,006
SD21	2,000	299	4,606	138	2,621	1,027	47,428	1,423	19,332	103	76,977
SD22	2,000	295	5,714	171	2,835	1,148	37,724	1,132	19,068	90	68,177
SD23	2,000	292	6,164	185	2,626	998	33,728	1,012	18,341	125	63,471
SD24	2,000	235	5,599	168	2,364	851	32,620	979	17,749	127	60,692
SD25	2,000	339	4,980	149	2,400	895	38,461	1,154	18,967	123	67,468
SD26	2,000	334	8,972	269	2,678	775	38,542	1,156	21,239	127	74,092
SD27	2,000	487	3,753	113	2,501	708	49,750	1,493	16,085	99	74,988
SD28	2,000	468	5,426	163	3,187	1,019	44,570	1,337	15,469	100	71,739
SD29	2,000	419	7,555	227	3,648	1,050	45,528	1,366	16,773	106	76,671
SS01	2,000	616	11,218	337	4,233	1,541	77,545	2,326	36,771	137	134,724
SS02	2,000	519	18,085	543	5,571	1,638	58,465	1,754	41,161	170	127,906
SS03	2,000	515	15,077	452	5,264	1,763	62,636	1,879	40,961	165	128,712
SS04	2,000	377	16,731	502	4,537	1,551	69,597	2,088	39,838	154	135,375
SS05	2,000	379	27,649	829	4,519	1,311	26,572	797	34,396	290	96,743
SS06	2,000	191	44,660	1,340	5,820	1,604	50,787	1,524	46,604	103	152,632
SS07	2,000	347	27,105	813	5,605	1,779	63,823	1,915	45,326	159	146,872
SS08	2,000	409	21,310	639	4,370	1,343	41,789	1,254	38,672	208	109,994
SS09	2,000	427	17,924	538	5,065	1,710	62,504	1,875	39,688	183	129,914
SS10	2,000	755	13,997	420	5,311	1,829	58,424	1,753	39,927	207	122,623
SS11	2,000	533	9,727	292	5,039	1,962	80,519	2,416	36,283	188	136,958
SS12	2,000	613	11,518	346	5,056	1,696	77,921	2,338	33,421	243	133,151
SS13	2,000	594	10,475	314	4,697	1,714	67,456	2,024	36,210	241	123,725
SS14	2,000	844	9,823	295	4,802	1,480	85,374	2,561	33,647	202	139,028
SS15	2,000	801	14,754	443	6,759	1,887	87,398	2,622	32,333	208	147,205