

**Representative Mike Winder** proposes the following substitute bill:

**RANKED-CHOICE VOTING TASK FORCE**

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Mike Winder**

Senate Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates the Ranked-Choice Voting Task Force.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ creates the Ranked-Choice Voting Task Force;
- ▶ requires the task force to provide recommendations on implementing a ranked-choice voting pilot program for the 2024 presidential primary election; and
- ▶ creates a repeal date for the task force.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill provides a special effective date.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63I-2-220**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Second Special Session, Chapter 6

ENACTS:

**20A-9-810**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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26 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

27 Section 1. Section **20A-9-810** is enacted to read:

28 **20A-9-810. Ranked-Choice Voting Task Force.**

29 (1) As used in this section:

30 (a) "Committee" means the Government Operations Interim Committee.

31 (b) "Ranked-choice voting" means an election method in which a voter may rank  
32 candidates in order of the voter's preference and the candidate to be nominated or elected is  
33 determined in accordance with the procedures described in Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal  
34 Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project.

35 (c) "Task force" means the Ranked-Choice Voting Task Force created in Subsection  
36 (2).

37 (2) There is created the Ranked-Choice Voting Task Force.

38 (3) The following are members of the task force:

39 (a) a member of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, who is a co-chair  
40 of the task force;

41 (b) a member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of  
42 Representatives, who is a co-chair of the task force;

43 (c) the lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee;

44 (d) a county clerk, or a designee from a county clerk's elections office, with experience  
45 running a municipal ranked-choice voting race within the appointee's county, appointed by the  
46 executive director of the Utah Association of Counties;

47 (e) a county clerk, or a designee from a county clerk's elections office, with experience  
48 running a municipal ranked-choice voting race outside the appointee's county, appointed by the  
49 executive director of the Utah Association of Counties;

50 (f) the Utah Republican Party chair; and

51 (g) the Utah Democratic Party chair.

52 (4) (a) A majority of the members of the task force present at a meeting constitutes a  
53 quorum.

54 (b) The action of a majority of a quorum constitutes an action of the task force.

55 (5) If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the task force for any reason, the  
56 applicable appointing authority shall appoint a replacement.

57 (6) (a) A member of the task force who is not a legislator may not receive  
58 compensation or benefits for the member's service but may receive per diem and travel  
59 expenses as allowed in:

60 (i) Section [63A-3-106](#);

61 (ii) Section [63A-3-107](#); and

62 (iii) rules made by the Division of Finance under Sections [63A-3-106](#) and [63A-3-107](#).

63 (b) Salary and expenses of a task force member who is a legislator shall be paid in  
64 accordance with Section [36-2-2](#) and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Legislative Compensation  
65 and Expenses.

66 (7) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support  
67 to the task force.

68 (8) The task force shall meet at least three times but not more than five times before the  
69 committee's October 2022 interim meeting.

70 (9) The task force shall:

71 (a) study issues related to implementing a ranked-choice voting pilot program for the  
72 2024 presidential primary election; and

73 (b) provide a report to the committee at the committee's October 2022 interim meeting  
74 that includes specific details about how a presidential primary election ranked-choice voting  
75 pilot program would work.

76 Section 2. Section **63I-2-220** is amended to read:

77 **63I-2-220. Repeal dates -- Title 20A.**

78 (1) Title 20A, Chapter 4, Part 6, Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project, is  
79 repealed January 1, 2026.

80 (2) Subsection [20A-5-803](#)(8) is repealed July 1, 2023.

81 (3) Section [20A-5-804](#) is repealed July 1, 2023.

82 (4) Section [20A-9-810](#) is repealed January 16, 2023.

83 Section 3. **Effective date.**

84 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect  
85 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah  
86 Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,  
87 the date of veto override.