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SCR1002: constitutional amendments; sixty percent approval

S/E: prohibition; instant run-off elections

Sponsor: Senator Kern, LD 27

Committee on Municipal Oversight & Elections

Overview

Prohibits the reassignment of an electors lawfully cast vote for a candidate or candidates, except in specified circumstances, in any election or nomination held by this state or its political subdivisions.

History

In all Arizona elections, the candidate that receives the highest number of votes is declared elected ([Art. VII § 7, Const. of Arizona](#)).

Ranked Choice Voting allows each voter to rank multiple candidates for the same office on a ballot in order of preference rather than making a single choice. After the ballots in the election have been counted, if a candidate is a majority of the electorate's first choice, that candidate is the winner of the election. If no first-choice candidate receives a majority, the candidate with the fewest first-choice ballots is eliminated, and the ballots of the eliminated candidate are counted for their second-choice candidates. This process is repeated, with the candidate receiving the fewest votes eliminated, until a candidate receives a majority of the votes ([CRS Report](#)).

Provisions

1. Asserts a qualified elector's right to cast a vote for every contest on the ballot for which the elector is qualified. (Sec. 1)
2. Requires the vote in which an elector casts for a candidate or candidates may only be received in the final tally of votes by that candidate or candidates. (Sec. 1)
3. Prohibits the state and its political subdivisions from using a voting method in any election or nomination of a candidate for federal, state, county, municipal or other subdivision office that allows any lawfully cast vote for a candidate to be removed from the tally, unless:
 - a) The elector's intent is not determinable, as prescribed by law; or
 - b) The law allows for a lawfully cast vote to be reallocated to another candidate on the ballot. (Sec. 1)
4. Contains a Legislative findings and declarations statement. (Sec. 2)
5. Directs the Secretary of State to submit the proposition to the voters at the next general election. (Sec. 2)

<input type="checkbox"/> Prop 105 (45 votes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Prop 108 (40 votes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency (40 votes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal Note
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