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Committee Members:

§723-A. Determination of winner in election for an office elected by ranked-choice voting

I chose to present this testimony together, because I believe they go arm in arm.

Ranked Choice Voting has been controversial and very intimidating to many voters. The elderly especially have been affected by this atrocity. Many of them are not voting anymore, because they are afraid their vote will not count.

At first, it was only for a few elections. Now it has taken up most State and Federal elections. Now to add to the confusion, you want to add it to municipal elections and let 16 yr-olds have a vote!!!

We were told, this way of voting was to be fairer and cost efficient. Well, it certainly is not more cost efficient and doesn't seem to be any fairer than before. Just reading the above statute is enough to get a headache and you wonder WHY some people have stopped voting? Why on earth would you want to let 16 yr-olds VOTE in municipal elections?

Can we go back to basics and keep things simple? I believe that is what our Forefathers would have wanted. After the fiasco of our last election, the legislature should be working on strengthening our elections with VOTER ID LAWS instead of having young adults, who haven't been taught the REAL History of America and the Constitution properly, be given the right to vote.

I respectfully request you vote NOT to pass.

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