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1 Everyone should be able to vote on spending

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3 TEXT BODY:

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4 Around 12,000 people live in Brattleboro. Only about  
5 140 Town Meeting representatives decide the budget of \$25  
6 million.

7 This year, we can finally change this!

8 On Tuesday, March 3, we can vote to eliminate  
9 Representative Town Meeting and replace it with a secret  
10 (Australian) ballot, so everyone can vote privately.

11 Everyone should be able to vote on how we spend our  
12 collective taxes. One person. One vote.

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