

Dear Members of the Government, Administration, and Elections Committee,

My name is James Root and I live in Danbury. I support HB 5434, AN ACT ADOPTING THE INTERSTATE COMPACT TO ELECT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES BY NATIONAL POPULAR VOTES.

While this would be a dramatic change in the national electoral process, the Electoral College has not demonstrated any real reason for being in modern times. On the other hand, we have had two presidents recently elected without the popular vote (and who also won the state popular vote in CT). From the standpoint of the average CT resident, the more responsive electoral M.O. would have been a national popular vote.

This contradiction in electoral process has contributed to paralysis in DC and has not favored CT. Please join other far sighted states and vote to advance HB 5434.

Thank you,  
James Root