

February 21, 2017

Dear Government and Administration Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 5434.

My primary reason for support of this legislation is that I am tired of our presidential elections being decided by the people in 12 battleground states, instead of all of the states. This was a complication our founding fathers did not really anticipate, and it belittles what they were attempting to accomplish.

I believe in a democracy every vote should matter equally and the nation's leader should be the candidate who wins the most popular votes. Other countries have successfully implemented this, and there is no reason the United States cannot do the same.

I also believe that it's possible people in our country would make more of an effort to engage in politics and elections if they actually felt their vote counted in presidential elections.

Thank you for your consideration, and I urge you to support HB5434.

Sincerely,  
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