

Honorable members of the Committee on Government Administration and Elections,

I write in strong support of HB 5434, which would add Connecticut to the states supporting the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact to elect the President. I've long been a fan of the Interstate Compact. This isn't about past elections, it's about future ones, where we don't know in advance which party the Compact would benefit. Such a plan would be transparently fairer. It would also bring some campaign attention to Connecticut and issues that matter to us since a vote's a vote no matter where it's found. Right now there's no point in campaigning in either California or Texas, for instance, which is a lot of people who can't get close to the candidates or who's concerns the candidates don't have to take into account. Let's push for a fairer and more representative system.

Thank you.

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