

TO: Committee for Government Administration and Elections

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I write today in opposition to H.B. 5434. The current system (in use for over 200 years), was established under Article II, Section I, of the U.S. Constitution as modified by the 12th Amendment (ratified by the State of Connecticut 05/10/1804).

If the nation wants to change to a populist vote, let our U.S. representatives amend the constitution. Support of this "end run" to bypass that procedure violates your oath of office ("that you will support the constitution of the United States"). Perhaps the time of our state legislators would be better spent trying to straighten out state problems.