

Dear Senator Flexer, Senator McLachlan, Representative Fox,
and Distinguished Members of the GAE Committee,

I am submitting this testimony in support of HB 5421, the bill to have Connecticut join the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact. The Compact is a nonpartisan solution to make everyone's vote for president matter—regardless of whether they live in blue, red or battleground states.

It is very frustrating living in a small state like Connecticut where I feel ignored by national presidential candidates. It feels like my vote does not count and I am not listened to. With the National Popular Vote Compact, my vote would matter the same as votes in OH, FL and PA.

Studies show that disproportionate federal grant money goes to swing states to curry favor with their voters. That's unfair to the rest of the states that are sidelined because their votes don't matter.

As in all other elections, the presidential candidate with the most votes should win. Under the Compact, votes for either candidate will matter equally, unlike in the current system.

Please let me know if you support the bill, and if not, why not?

Sincerely,

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