

March 4, 2018

To Government Administration and Elections Committee:

I urge you to support **H.B. 5421, the National Popular Vote Compact** that awards the presidency to the candidate who receives the most votes nationwide.

This would benefit Connecticut voters because:

- Presidential candidates would care about Connecticut voters (not just voters in swing states)
- All Connecticut voters would count (for decades, Republican voters have had no voice in the presidential election in our state)

This would benefit our country because:

- Any elected President would represent the choice of the majority of the county's voters (the basis of a democracy)

This can be done within the framework of the current constitution at the state level.

Voting rights/methods have not been static since the establishment of our country. They have continually changed with the times. They were expanded to include Blacks. They were expanded to include women. We can continue to respond to the current conditions, which include rapid ballot counting and the desire for equality for citizens of the United States.

Therefore, I urge you to support **H.B. 5421, the National Popular Vote Compact** that awards the presidency to the candidate who receives the most votes nationwide.

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