

Dear Senator Flexer, Senator McLachlan, Representative Fox, and Distinguished Members of 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.

If we agree to elect the president by the national popular vote--as we do our state and congressional representatives--it would mean that every vote counts. Connecticut is rarely visited by candidates under the current system, because it is not considered a battleground state. I urge you to support HB 5421 so that Connecticut voters will matter and so the candidate who receives the most votes will be elected president.

Sincerely,

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