

I support HB2927 and do not support SB825.

My grand nieces and nephews are seventh generation Oregonians. Our family also includes first generation immigrants, and many cultures. At this time we include 17 voting Oregonians.

As Oregonians, we strongly urge YOU, our elected representatives, to vote YES and pass HB2927 as it reads. We strongly urge YOU, our elected officials, to vote NO and not pass SB 825.

We believe our President should be representative of all people of the United States. It is time to adopt the National Popular Vote/Interstate Compact! Let's make One Person = One Vote!

Our votes should count equally as any other voting individual in any other state.

The constitution grants state legislatures the responsibility of determining how our electors vote in the electoral college. It is in all of your hands to have Oregon help lead the way, away from statewide-winner-take-all towards election by a national popular vote.

We urge you to not support SB 825 which abdicates this constitutional responsibility of the legislature in favor of referring the issue to the voters. In the history of the electoral college this decision has never been made by anyone other than the legislature, this includes when Oregon adopted it's current winner-take-all system. Interestingly, it was not until 1824 that the United States first saw an election where the majority of states used a statewide winner-take-all voting method for choosing their presidential electors.

Changing our system away from statewide winner-take-all isn't unheard of in our country's history; having the people decide that issue instead of the state legislature is unheard of.

Please pass HB 2927 out of committee and do not pass SB 825!

Thank you,
Respectfully,
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...and a family of 22 Oregonians from Portland to Eugene!