

To: Senate Rules Committee  
Re: HB 2927 and SB 825  
June 21, 2017

Thanks for holding a hearing!

The Electoral College is long overdue for overhaul – or, a workaround. It has never fulfilled its charge to have electors think independently of state results. It has functioned as a rubber stamp.

Any elected office for which the elected individual represents a sub-group of the country – Reps. Senators – federal or state, local offices, etc. – elects people by some type of popular vote. The Presidency – the one office which represents all people – should be similarly administered.

Just as Senators were initially elected/appointed by state legislators but we now elected them by a vote of the people, it should be the people who elect the President.

In regard to SB825 – this bill is simply a way for the Senate to “pass the buck”.

It is self-evident that National Popular Vote is the way to go. The public supports it. A ballot measure would be a waste of time and money.

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