

Senators Burdick, Baertschiger, Boquist, Dembrow, and Roblan --

I am writing in support of SB 870, the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact. I urge the Senate Rules Committee to pass this bill out of committee on April 3rd with a Favorable / Do Pass recommendation, for the following reasons:

1. In elections for President, the popular vote is the purest form of 'one person, one vote' – a principal tenet of American democracy.
2. The Electoral College, and the current system of electing Presidents by electoral votes, distorts this tenet by making a person's vote in some states 'worth more' than another person's vote in another state.
3. When adopted by Oregon, and enough other states to total 270 electoral votes, the Interstate Compact will eliminate this distortion and reinstate 'one person, one vote' in future presidential elections.

Thank you.

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