

Chair, Vice Chair, and Committee members,

I am opposing SB 870, which removes the Electoral College for the state of Oregon. This bill, if it becomes law, removes the ability for smaller states in the US and counties in our state to have a say in the voting process. Instead, those states and counties with the largest populations would null out any votes from the smaller voices. Changing our electoral system to a popular vote would ensure that the voters of all the counties in Oregon will not have a voice ever again. Therefore, what is the point of even voting if this becomes law? I know I won't vote! I don't live in Portland, or Eugene therefore why bother. Your constituents deserve a voice in the presidential election; do not take that from us. I am asking you to vote NO on NPV. It is an attack on the Constitution that will forever change our representative form of government. Oregon and other small state's voices will be permanently diminished or even extinguished in the Presidential election.

Thank you for your consideration.

--

Gregg and Sandra Kellogg
Keizer, Oregon