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Please support the National Popular Vote bill in Alaska via HB 175!

Judy Williams Eagle River, AK

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Thank you,

Naomi Davidson

Juneau 99801

Please support HB 175

Every person's vote should count regardless of what state they live in. If their vote doesn't count, and in the Electoral College system it may not, there is no representation. If people don't feel their vote is going to count, they will stop voting. There is no alternative to full participation in our democracy, and for a true democracy, it is vital.

Please support the National Popular Vote bill in Alaska via HB 175!

Donna Braendel

Dear AK Legislature:

I am writing in support of the National Popular Vote bill HB 175.

I am a registered non-partisan and believe we have to rise above the current parties and current headlines and take the long view with this issue. Every single major election in the entire country - except the presidency - is decided with a "one person one vote" system, and I think it's time to extend this to the presidential race too.

I am a patriot and I believe in America and the American dream. For me, America's greatest strength is our commitment to democracy. I think it's time to "achieve a more perfect union" by allowing each citizen to have an equal say in electing the president. The advent of the electoral college has bent this part of our democracy and it's long past time to straighten it out. HB 175 is an efficient way to do so and I encourage you to support it.

I thank you for your time on this matter and your service to Alaska!

Malena Marvin PO Box 1611 Petersburg, Alaska 907.957.1007

Dear Rep. Fansler,

Thank you so much for reviving the issue of the interstate compact for the National Popular Vote. I was a strong supporter of this legislation last time it was in the Alaska Legislature and remember well the Republican legislator from Minnesota who addressed the Alaska Legislature in support of the compact.

Time has sharpened the value of the interstate compact. The US is now in a position where a large disparity exists between the numbers of voters represented by the electoral votes in some states, such as California, and the numbers of voters per electoral college vote in other states. This is not fair.

The electoral college, a compromise for issues no longer relevant to the US, is no longer relevant. Electors do nothing more than reflect the "winner" in their states. But since this is weighted representation, we end up in situations such as in 2016 where the voted selection of millions of voters is disregarded. This has happened in both Democratic and Republican winning elections.

The interstate compact has the advantage of not needing to change the constitution, but the capability of achieving the result of fairness, a democratic idea we all support.

Sincerely, Margo Waring

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March 16, 2017

Dear Representative Fansler and Members of the House State Affairs Committee:

The League of Women Voters of the United States (LWVUS) supports the use of the popular vote in the election of the President and Vice-President and supports the use of the National Popular Vote Compact as a way to achieve this goal until the electoral college can be abolished through an amendment to the Constitution. The Alaska League (LWVAK) agrees that every vote should count toward this most important election and therefore urges the passage of HB 175.

Historically the attendees at the Constitutional Convention struggled over the best method to elect the President. The end result was the use of electors from each state who would gather to pick the best possible candidate for the job. Today we have presidential elections still held with state electors who, in all but two states, are chosen in a winner-take-all contest; the candidate with the most popular votes in the state wins the total electoral vote count for that state. And with the rise of political parties, which George Washington warned against, the emphasis has shifted to winning rather than finding the best candidate.

The end result of the winner-take-all process of electing a president has several negative effects. In each state, those who voted for the candidate who did not win the state's popular vote find their votes lost in the counting because those votes go no further than the state line. Secondly, this loss of a counted vote for a national office leaves some elections in which the winner of the electoral vote loses the popular vote, leaving that President-elect with more citizens who voted against him/her than voted for him/her. This has happened five times in the history of the United States, including the 2016 election. Since 1988, when non-landslide elections increased in frequency, the ratio has been 2 elections in which the winner lost the popular vote out of the 8 elections held. This type of election result is more likely to increase in number given the trend toward non-landslide elections as the political parties retreat further from the center.

When voters know that their vote will actually count in the end result, they might be more interested in voting for President and Vice-President. The turnout for the 2016 election equaled about 60% of eligible voters. That means that approximately 27.6% of eligible voters elected the winner in 2016. When voters realize that if they live in a blue state and they support the red candidate and vice versa, they have less incentive to vote. In addition, there is the current feeling that only 11 or so "battleground" states actually matter in a presidential election, and campaign funds tend to flow to those states as well as candidate visits. Adopting the popular vote could increase voter turnout and give each voter's choice an equal opportunity.

Two of the League's purposes are to encourage voting and encourage an educated voting population. Given these principles, the League of Women Voters of Alaska strongly supports the passage of HB 175.

Sincerely,

Pat Redmond, President LWVAK Judy Andree, Vice-President Marianne Mills, Past-President Gail Knobf, Secretary Carol Dickason, Treasurer Hetty Barthel, Director Diane Mathisen, Director Phyllis Tugman-Alexander, Director

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

(Emailed by

Judy Andree 5985 Lund Street Juneau, Alaska 99801 907-780-6767 (home) 907-321-1559 (cell))

Dear AK Legislature:

I support HB 175, the bill that would join Alaska to the interstate compact for a national popular vote.

I think "one person, one vote" has a great ring to it and would like to see the United States give equal weight to each citizen's vote when we vote for presidential candidates. All of our other elections use a "one person, one vote" democratic system - shouldn't the presidency be decided in the same way?

This is not a Republican or Democrat issue - it is one of achieving equal weight for each vote, a goal that has been supported by members of both parties.

Thanks for considering my comments.

Ceal Smith

Eagle River, AK 99577

Hello,

I'm writing to express my support for adding Alaska to the National Popular Vote Compact. As a constituent from Juneau, AK, I am very frustrated that my votes in National election pretty much get wasted as I know Alaska's electoral votes will always go red, no matter how I choose to vote. By joining the National Popular Vote Compact, I would feel that my vote counted.

Thank you,

Rebecca Gaguine, Juneau, AK 99801.

Committee Members,

It is important that every person's vote count & that the President of the United States of America be elected by a popular vote of the people not a quirk of the electoral college system. The person elected must have the most votes not the least votes. These are difficult times for any President; a President who has earned fewer votes, has fewer supporters which makes our country weaker and vulnerable.

Christine & Martin Niemi

Juneau, Alaska

Dear Members of the State Affairs Committee and Juneau Delegation,

I strongly support HB 175, ratifying an interstate compact to elect the President and Vice-President of the United States by national popular vote.

Please add passage of this bill during this Legislature to the other important priorities before you.

Regards,

Karla Hart

4950 Wren Drive

Juneau, AK 99801

I strongly support Alaska "National Popular Vote Bill" HB 175. Each citizen's vote should count in the most fundamental way. One Person - One Vote!

Thank you.

Connie Bennett

Anchorage/99503

Dear Committee Members:

I urge you to vote in favor of HB 175: the National Popular Vote Bill.

Sincerely, Santa

Santa Claus North Pole, AK 99705-0122 907-388-3836 SantaClaus@USA.net

Good afternoon,

I'm writing today to share my support for HB 175 and to request voting in favor of it. The Electoral College is an antiquated system that no longer serves Alaskans. Under the Electoral College our individual votes truly don't count, which is the antithesis of a democracy. Please give Alaskans their voices back and vote yes on HB 175.

Thank you, Alison Brehmer 8892 Duran St Juneau, AK 99801 907-309-4974

I fully support HB 175 aka the National Popular Vote Bill. I vote every election and am so frustrated that my vote for President is almost always discarded (a 47 year Alaska resident with a liberal mentality in a historically Republican state). I would like my vote to count. Thank you. Sincerely, Elizabeth Chadene Krome 907.715.8807 Akkromes@gci.net

Please vote for Alaska to join the National Popular Vote Compact. Every voters ballot needs to be counted without an Electoral College.

Shirley Carlson Member LWV Economist Brad DeLong posted this after last November's election, and it seems to me that he is correct, a failure rate of one time out of every 10 is too high. Not to mention making us voters think that casting a ballot is futile, always a dangerous attitude in a democracy. Would you please include Dr. DeLong's brief comment in the testimony concerning this bill. Thank you.

Chris Prussing 4655 Thane Road Juneau, AK 99801 The complete commentary from Dr. DeLong:

Hillary Rodham Clinton won the vote over Donald Trump. You can be terrified at the fact that she won the vote by such a narrow margin--and you should be. But when you say that on November 8, 2016 that Donald Trump and Trumpism won the vote, you are telling a lie: it now looks like Hillary Clinton is going to wind up with 1.4% more votes than Trump. Americans who voted chose Hillary Clinton over Donald Trump.

Why, then, is Trump the president-elect?

Because the electoral college failed. Again.

The United States has held 58 presidential elections. In six of them--Adams-Jefferson in 1800, Jackson-Quincy Adams in 1824, Tilden-Hayes in 1876, Cleveland-Harrison in 1888, Gore-Bush in 2000, and now Clinton-Trump in 2016--the winner of the popular vote has not become president.

That is a 10.3% failure rate.

That is unacceptably high.

Political democracy is not an especially good way of choosing technocratically competent leaders. Political democracy does not effectively guard against rent-seeking--rather, it guards against some kinds of rent-seeking but not others. You can say that a political democracy is unlikely to repeat a choice of a technocratically incompetent leader. You can say that aristocracies and oligarchies are more vulnerable than democracies to being captured for the particular form of rent-seeking that is carried out by a particular social caste that has preferential access to the levers of political control. But that is all you can say.

Choosing technocratically competent leaders and guarding against rent-seeking are not the reasons why democracy has an advantage.

Democracy has an advantage because it short circuits the process of coup or revolution to throw the bastards out by violent means. It short-circuits this process because it was the people--most

of the people who voted, that is--who put the bastards in. Thus the majority must blame itself before it starts looking for others to blame.

It is for this reason that it is very dangerous to have an institution that is a failure point in that it generates a non-majoritarian choice of leader in what is supposed to be a democracy.

A 10.6% chance of failure--and that is the rate of electoral college failure in the United States since its founding--is way to high.

So the big stories of last Tuesday are two:

- 1. Big Story: Hillary Rodham Clinton won the vote--more Americans chose her for their leader than chose Donald Trump.
- 2. Big Story: The electoral college failed to do its proper democratic job for the sixth time in 58 elections--and a 10.6% failure rate is much too high.

Anybody who does not focus on those two big stories is not being your friend



Representative Fansler,

I support HB 175 that would add Alaska to a compact of states who agree to have their state's Electoral College votes go to the winner of the national popular vote. I encourage you to support this bill. With passage of this bill, I would finally feel that my vote in Alaska counts. One person, one vote. The Electoral College is an archaic system that no longer serves a functioning role in the United States of America. When the popular vote chooses one candidate with ~ 3 million vote advantage and the electoral college sways the vote to the other candidate, we no longer have a democratic form of election. Please support this bill and encourage your fellow Representatives to follow suit.

Best Regards,

Patti Berkhahn 907 394-0008 39195 Coulter Ct. Soldotna, AK 99669 Dear Representative Zach Fansler (D-Bethel),

Thank you for introducing Bill HB 175. I am strong support of your efforts to have the Alaskan Electoral College votes go to the winner of the national popular vote instead of how each individual state votes.

Keep up the efforts to pass this bill into law. You and others like you will make a difference in the future to ensure another scandal like the Republican 45 administration does not occur.

Respectfully-

Heather Szundy Owner/CFO Ascending Path Guide Service

I think HB1 75 is way overdue and I wish you the best of luck in getting it passed. We have to do something and this is a beginning.

Susan Royce Sitka, Ak

Good morning,

I wanted to let you know that, as an Alaska resident, I stand behind you and the proposal for HB 175 100%! Please keep fighting the good fight! There is no reason each vote should not be counted equally, no matter where a person lives. Thank you for your hard work in a time of such need.

Kristin Summers 5706A Vosler Ave JBER, AK 99506 207-239-8076

I whole heartedly support <u>HB 175</u>.

Sincerely,

Khristy Herrington 3290 S Heritage Farm Road Wasilla, AK 99654 907-841-8417 Rep. Fansler, I support HB 175 allowing Alaska's electoral votes to align with the national popular vote. I am a voting Alaskan who resides in Anchorage. Thank you for promoting this cause. Paula Sayler

Representative Zach Fansler,

Please help move us toward popular vote for president.

Thanks, Conrad

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Conrad E. Muller 326 4th St 509 Juneau, AK 99801

206 388-6053

I support this legislation and believe joining other states in awarding Electoral College votes to the winner of the national popular vote will create a more equitable, legitimate election process that encourages wide participation rather than disenfranchise minority party voters.

Thank you for advocating on behalf of this bill.

John Lamb

638 Gold Street

Juneau, AK

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John Lamb

638 Gold Street

Juneau, AK

I want Alaska to join the compact to award our Elector College votes for U. S. President to be based on the winner of the national popular vote rather than the electoral college vote. This means I am in favor of HB 175 which will be voted in front of the state legislature on Thursday, March 23, 2017.

Duane L. Howe

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I strongly support HB 175 to award out electoral College Votes based on the Nations popular vote. Helen Woodings, Palmer, AK

I am writing because I strongly support Alaska joining in the compact to award our Electoral college votes based on the winner of the national popular election vote.

Thank you very much for your efforts to make this happen.

Sincerely,

Libby Stortz,

215 Observatory

Sitka, Alaska 99835

I want to voice my support for HB 175. The only truly democratic way to win the Presidency is through winning the popular vote. Currently we have a strange system that does not honor everyone's vote. This bill creates a way for that to happen. I urge the legislature to pass this bill.

Marian Allen 829 Pherson Street Sitka, AK 99835 907 738-1970 Dear Representative Zach Fansler,

Thank you so much for proposing HB 175 to make Alaska's electoral college votes go to the winner of the national popular vote! Bravo!

I hope to be proud of this legislation soon!

Sincerely, Sarah Bean

1305 N. Smith Rd. Palmer, Alaska 99645 (907)746-1087 (907)355-2094 cell

Dear representative Zach Fansler. I completely support your House Bill 175. This is why I support this bill. In a united country of many states, with very different life styles, have been divided by the electoral college. We no longer are a United States, we are a divided peoples. The minority ruling a Democratic Republic is NOT what our fore fathers envisioned when writing the constitution. This is why the constitution was written to give states the powers to govern. In our case approve this bill to fix our broken national election voting system.

If an election is held within a state for "local" decision, winner take all is the correct answer to the democratic vote. If a "national" election is held, IS it right to only count the winning votes of each state? Not in current times. The "Republic" representative number used to determine the number of chosen electorates is good because it gives small as well as large populations equal voice. In our case 3 electorates. But the winner take all of the "Democratic" vote has silenced sometimes virtually half the votes. As is the case in Alaska, and all states who still use the "winner take all" voting scheme. Yes I call it a scheme, because it is a way to silence votes on the national level. Thats precisely why all local votes for the national election must be counted on the state level. The electorates party votes will be determined by the percentage of votes as to how many electorates go to each party. For the 2016 election in Alaska it would have been 2 electorates to Trump, and one electorate to Clinton. That gives all votes a voice! Now the national electorate count can include that true reflection of the "Democratic" system voters voice, while retaining the integrity of the "Republic" electoral college for equality in population.

In this way the election brings our country closer by listening to all voters. This will eliminate the minority from ever ruling again.

P.S. To day I watched the supreme court justice hearing opening statements on C-Span2. The republicans continually drove the "majority rules" importance is a major factor in being a supreme court judge. In counter to those republican statements, we currently we are living in a minority rules government. That is wrong!

James Moberly P.O. Box 872441 Wasilla AK. 99687 907-671-8196 cell

I support this bill! From: Bee Tessum, a person that votes & lives in Anchorage. bebetessum@gmail.com As a 30 year Alaskan resident and voter, I am writing in support of HB175, which would join Alaska to the National Popular Vote compact. As we have seen in several recent elections, it is possible to win the electoral vote without winning the popular vote. I believe in the principle of "one person, one vote", not "winner take all". Everyone's vote should count. Please vote in favor of this bill.

Thank you,

Christine Everett 2308 Robinson Circle North Pole, AK 99705

Dear Rep. Fansler-

I absolutely support HB 175 which insures presidential candidates would have to campaign more broadly. Alaska'e electoral votes should go to the miner of the popular votes.

Thank you-

Kay Gajewski

I fully support HB 175. This idea is long-overdue in a state where so many justify not voting in federal elections because, due to the time difference, they believe our votes do not count anyway. This bill will not only validate our votes, but will reconcile the travesty of a candidate winning the presidency without winning the popular vote. Thank you for introducing this bill.

Louise Dekreon-Watsjold

Eagle River

Thanks, Zach, for your work on this important proposal. The electoral college is discriminatory, outdated and unfair on its face. The League of Women Voters has supported this change since the seventies. It's time. Peggy Mullen, Soldotna

Dear Representative Fansler,

I strongly support the bill adding Alaska to the compact of states who agree to have their state's electoral votes go to the winner of the national popular vote. It is a travesty that a candidate for President can win while losing the popular vote. In addition, the Electoral College system undermines participation in our democracy by making potential voters feel that their vote does not count.

Thank you, Cindy Litman

Cindy Litman 715 Sawmill Creek Rd. Sitka, AK 99835 530.574.3468 Dear Representative Fansler:

The Electoral College is no longer relevant. It deprives citizens of their right to vote. Our country was founded on the principle of no taxation without representation.

We no longer live in the 18th century. We have the technology to allow all registered voters to vote for the President of their choice. I urge you and your fellow representatives and senators to vote to require the electors to cast their votes for the winner of the popular vote.

Thank you.

Tasha M. Porcello

1503 West 31st Avenue, Suite 201

Anchorage, Alaska 99503

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Representative Fansler;

I fully support the effort to change our national election process to a 1 person-1vote, popular vote system. Thank you for your efforts.

Ken Petty kenpetty@gci.net 216 S Sarah Circle Palmer, AK. 99645 (907) 354-7758

The presidential election should be based on the popular vote not this outdated system of the electoral system. Too many people get disenfranchised with the electoral vote.

Christel Petty

I am supportive of doing away with the whole Electoral System. It obviously does not weed out unfit people becoming president – as it was intended. If this is a step in that direction, then I am supportive.

Debbie Hinchey Anchorage 907-278-2814

Rep. Fansler, I support HB 175 allowing Alaska's electoral votes to align with the national popular vote. I am a voting Alaskan who resides in Anchorage. Thank you for promoting this cause. Paula Sayler

Dear Representative Fransler,

I am writing to express my support for HB 175. I believe very strongly that our electoral process is distorted, not enhanced, by the electoral college. I would ideally like to see it done away with, but realize that is unlikely to fly. I think the proposed measure, HB 175, ensuring that electoral votes go to winner of the national popular vote is a good first step in the right direction.

All the best,

Kathryn Carovano

Anchorage, AK 99501

Rep. Fansler,

Please let the legislature know I'm supportive of letting the Alaska electoral votes go to the candidate who receives the most popular votes. I know the history of the electoral college and feel it's long overdue for changing. Let each persons vote count equally. Jonna Naylor 375 E Chickaloon Way Wasilla, AK. 99654 907-707-9751

Representative Fansler,

I am a registered voter living in Sitka, Alaska. I support the National Popular Vote 100%. Twice in recent elections the presidential candidate who won the popular vote was denied the presidency due to the archaic and very undemocratic electoral college. This needs to change. It is very unfair and contrary to a true democracy that voters in some states carry more electoral weight than those in other states.

Patricia Hanson Phanson@gci.net

Phone 907-957-2914 Address 800 Halibut Point Road, Unit I, PO Box 6028 Sitka, Ak 99835

From: Deborah E Corral [mailto:dcorral@mtaonline.net]

Rep. Zach Please help pass the National Popular Vote Bill!!!

The electoral college robs individuals of their vote. Make every vote count!

Thank you Debbie

Gail Boerwinkle . Long time AK... I support HB175...Great solution.

Representative Fansler,

I want to let you know that I DO support HB 175 that would require our electoral votes to go to the popular winner of the presidential election in the future.

Regards,

Donna Madison

4135 Raspberry Rd

Anchorage, Alaska 99502

It is imperative to support the National Popular Vote Bill. It is overwhelmingly clear that elections can be bought and sold, and that candidates will cater to swing states, leaving states like Alaska in the cold. This must stop if America will continue to be considered a democracy.

A divided country may be brought together if the Electoral College in Alaska votes with the country's majority. Without question, what happened November 2016 must not be repeated.

Thank you,

Marlene Wagner

Petersburg, Alaska

Please vote in favor of HB 175 to award our Electoral College votes based on the winner of the national popular vote.

Thank you.

Barbara Farris

Anchorage, Alaska

I support each of our votes counting. After the lessons of past elections at many levels of government, there is an obvious need for reform. HB 175 is a good start. We are longtime Alaskans.

Thank you,

Gretchen Murphy

Fairbanks, AK

I, Kimberly Robson (unaffiliated), attending the majority of the meeting regarding HB 175 today March 23rd at 3:00pm.

I didn't have time to speak, but would like to. I am in favor of HB 175. I believe it will increase voter turnout. This system will determine the vote of a Nation rather than the vote of a state. Since we are voting for the leader of the Nation it makes sense to listen to the Nation as a whole.

Thank you for your time.

Kimberly Robson

Representative Falser,

I am unable to get to the LIO but hope you will please take this email as testimony that I fully support HB175. We need to do everything we can to help folks be civilly engaged.

Last year during election time, I drove around in a BIG decorated RV for days, in and out of neighborhoods and on the UAA campus, reminding people to vote because I heard that there was a survey on campus wherein more than half of the students did not know that they could vote on campus. People are not engaged and we need to fix that. It makes a lot of sense that when each individual vote is weighted equally, we feel our vote matters more. I know the design of our system had the nothing but good intentions and as is with all things, we must be flexible when it makes sense so to do. It is long overdue.

Thanks so much for taking the time to write this bill.

Alyse Surratt 3117 Cottonwood Street Anchorage, ALaska 99508 Please retain this for public record

My name is Moira Ingle and I am a registered voter in Chugiak, Alaska, 99567.

I support passage of HB 175 because I believe strongly in a one person, one vote democracy. The current Electoral College system is broken in that it results in the election of candidates who win in "winner takes all" states. Especially in a state like Alaska, with only 3 electoral votes, the voices of all citizens would be far better represented by adopting the popular vote approach.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Moira Ingle

I strongly support HB 175. Thomas Lux <u>PO Box 662</u> <u>Skagway, Alaska 99840</u>

Hi!

I just want to share my support for this bill. After what we've seen over this last election I think it is clear that the current system is not working and it is time to update our voting system to match the needs of our time and to fairly represent the votes of the people.

Salomé Starbuck

HB 175 could be a great thing for Alaska as it would cause presidential campaigns to actually pay attention to us for a change, instead of only focusing on a handful of swing states: Florida, Ohio, Wisconsin and Michigan. Alaska would be better served with a presidential election process that treated us as equal to other citizens of the United States.

Thank you for sponsoring this bill and voting YES on HB 175!

Dael Devenport Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Rep. Fansler and committee members,

As a volunteer with the League of Women Voter's voter service programs in Fairbanks, I know first hand how much voting matters to individuals in hospital beds, to people living in nursing homes and to many new citizens of our country.

I believe everyone's vote should count.

I support HB 175.

Thank you,

Mary Lee Guthrie

Dear Rep. Fansler:

Thank you for proposing <u>HB 175</u>, legislation that would add Alaska to a compact of states who have their Electoral College votes go to the winner of the national popular vote rather than how each individual state votes. I am writing in support of this bill.

In addition to the obvious problems of the current electoral college system (which has resulted twice in my lifetime of inaugurating a president not chosen by the majority of voters) this legislation would reduce the deleterious impact of gerrymandering on the democratic process, encourage participation by minority (regarding party affiliation) voters while in no way impinging upon majority voters, and frankly it reduces the power of political parties, which have become rather ossified bureaucracies too beholden to special interests.

Our democracy is in crisis, and I greatly appreciate your leadership in this effort which would do much to restore faith in our government.

Emily Davies PO box 671264 Chugiak, AK 99567 Representatives,

I support HB 175 and the popular vote in electing the President and Vice President of our United States of America and the use of the National Popular Vote Compact to insure that the vote of EVERY person counts. It is absurd to have a President in office that receives millions of votes less and be declared the winner when the candidate who is declared the looser received millions more votes. It's time to stop ignoring (millions of) votes!

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Niemi

cmniemi@gmail.com

Representative Fansler,

I want to register my comment/opinion referencing the One Person, One Vote or the National Popular Vote with you. I am in total support of this initiative. The Electoral Vote is skewed towards the wealthy and privileged in this country and does not reflect a comprehensive view or opinion of the majority of American Citizens and this must be changed to the most Democratic and fairoption available.

I hope that my testimony helps you move this initiative forward. Thank you for what you do. It is ideals such as this that will ensure that the majority of American Citizens and their true voices are heard and represented.

Mickie Montoya Anchorage, Alaska 99507 Rep. Fansler,

I didn't do my homework, and now realize that you are on the HOUSE Judiciary Committee vs. the SENATE Judiciary Committee. Hopefully you will support this important bill for the National Popular Vote when the time presents itself. And while the United States is not a democracy, it can be called a democratic republic. And our vote for president should count. And, yes, it's personal.

Jane Gnass Resident: Anchorage, Alaska

On Sun, Apr 2, 2017 at 1:58 PM, Jane Gnass <<u>janegnass@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

AK Senate Judiciary Committee Member Representative Fansler:

As a member of the Alaska Senate Judiciary Committee, I ask you what is the status of SB 39 — Alaska Senate National Popular Vote bill? It was sent to the Senate Judiciary Committee on February 19, 2011, and I don't see any subsequent action.

During my 36 years as an adult resident living in Alaska, my vote for president has never officially counted, and that is outrageous. I encourage you to change this, so that every vote will *count*, and each voice will be *heard*. Democracy at its roots.

On March 28, 2017, the House State Affairs Committee approved the National Popular Vote bill, HB 175. That's good news for the many people who care about the popular vote being counted.

Zach, I am asking you to support the National Popular Vote bill for electing the president by a vote of all the people in all 50 states. The current system is broken, and most states, including Alaska, don't seem to matter. I encourage you to support SB 39, or introduce a new bill in support of the National Popular Vote, so it can be passed in the Alaska Senate, for the people of Alaska.

Yours sincerely,

Jane E. Gnass 2520 Chandalar Dr. Anchorage, AK 99504

Next week you will hear testimony regarding house bill 175, US PRESIDENT ELECT. POPULAR VOTE COMPACT. I urge you to pass this bill. Similar legislation has already passed in ten states and D.C. I believe that when enough state pass this legislation, our future presidential election outcomes will more closely reflect the popular votes in our country.

Thank you,

Carol

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Ian Zacher

Fairbanks

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

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Megan Bush Moody, Southeast AK

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Matthews

500 Mary Circle

Anchorage Alaska 99515

justpeachyrj@gmail.com

Dear Rep. Fansler,

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Given that 2 out of the past 5 presidential elections have seen the winner of the popular vote LOSE the electoral college (and therefore the election), we are clearly dealing with an antiquated system that is in desperate need of modernization.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Wood

Juneau, AK

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Susanne Brown

Wasilla, AK 99623

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This bill would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign across the country This would be an advantage for Alaska. It would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony.

Cheryl Lovegreen

Anchorage

Dear Chair and House Judiciary Committee members,

I have testified at the House State Affairs Committee in support of HB 175, the NationalPopular Vote Compact. I listened to all the testimony pro and con. I remain convinced that the NPV is a significant way to protect our democracy by bolstering the foundational concept of "one person one Vote".

Importantly, when the electoral college "elects" a candidate who did not receive a majority of US votes cast, this undermines the legitimacy of the president and encourages the concept of "my vote does not count. Neither is supportive of a healthy democracy.

The NPV compact concept has been around for at least three decades, through Republican and Democratic majorities. Republican leaning states have signed on to the compact, showing their recognition that the strength of our democracy lies in people's belief that it works.

Please support HB 175.

Margo Waring

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Carol Fries

Anchorage, AK

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Linda Buckalew

Wasilla, AK

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Erika Green 2517 Foraker Drive Anchorage, AK 99517 907-330-7500 Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Reeves <u>liz_reeves@hotmail.com</u> Fairbanks, AK 99712

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Gary Lyon P.O. Box 2095 Homer, AK 99603

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This bill would support a more competitive presidential campaign environment rather than having a handful of states elect our president. With the current process, entire states being ignored, Alaska being one of them. Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated, while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president. Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Deborah Ward Anchorage, AK 907.727.3034

Dear Representative Fansler,

Thank you for sponsoring HB 175, which I strongly support.

This compact between states is long overdue and absolutely necessary to create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. Further, this compact is necessary to protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Please consider this email as my written testimony of support for HB 175 and for submission to the legislature's public record at committee hearings on the bill.

Sincerely,

Juliet Koehler PO Box 21836 Juneau AK 99802

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Bev Lewanski, Eagle River, Alaska

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Diane Claassen, Fairbanks, AK

Dear Representative Fansler:

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Ann Wilkinson

Sitka, Alaska

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Kalyn Kratz

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Molly Kemp and Nick Olmsted Box 571 Tenakee Springs AK 99841

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Hannah Berry Fairbanks, Alaska

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Sue Steinacher

Nome, AK

PS - and while I'm writing, the poorest child in Alaska contributes the exact same amount of money to the state as the richest person when the state draws from the PFD. That needs to be balanced with an income tax where people pay according to their ability to pay. PLEASE - rural Alaska is dying due to the high cost of living - especially the poorest families - which is a reason the state should NEVER institute a sales tax.

Thank you!

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Stromme

Sitka, Alaska

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Sincerely,

Brian Olson Soldotna, Alaska

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

The Electoral College has failed to meet our nation's need for a truely democratic election process. Many voters are disenfranchised by the electoral process.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert Winfree

16218 Stanley Park Circle Anchorage, AK 99516

From: Mannfried Funk [mailto:mannfried@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 6:56 PM
To: Rep. Zach Fansler <<u>Rep.Zach.Fansler@akleg.gov</u>>
Subject: HB 175

I am writing in support of our electoral college supporting our popular vote per HB 175.

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment where, instead of entire states being ignored, Presidential candidates would invest and campaign more broadly. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Katharine F Bull Fairbanks, AK 99709

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Margaret Duggan 8309 Sundi Dr. Anchorage, AK 99502- District K

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Lynette Ampadu

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Razo Rogers Park subdivision Anchorage, AK 99508

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner Anchorage, Alaska Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

Ever since I was old enough to vote (over 20 years ago), I have felt that the electoral system was unfair and my vote didn't count. In this last election, regardless of which side you were on, it felt as if our votes didn't matter in Alaska at all. By the time I was at the polls the election was decided.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Shana Butler Kenai, AK

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Michael Stark and MJ Grande 8270 N. Douglas Hwy Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of HB 175.

The Electoral College distorts our democratic process. The proposed compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment and protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated. It would effectively implement a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Carovano Anchorage, AK Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Janet Rader, 3044 Telequana Drive, #4 Anchorage Ak 99517

PS. If it is any help, you might remind republicans that history has shown republican presidents are entirely capable of winning the popular vote. This should not be a partisan issue. Thank you!

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Ruth Lindeen 11641 Wagner St Anchorage, AK 99516

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Craig Mapes PO Box 46 Tenakee Springs, Alaska 99841

Dear Representative Fansler,

I heartily support your proposed legislation HB 175. I have been frustrated for years in regards to the way our US government works in a presidential election. Having all electoral college votes from the state of Alaska go to the winner of the national popular vote. Right now with Alaska being such a red state, those of us who vote for any presidential ticket but the republican ticket might as well not vote at all. Our votes just do not count. Passing this bill would change that and give all Alaskans a say in who their president and vice president will be.

Thank you for bringing this legislation forward in Alaska. Mary Calmes Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Warren Jones Anchorage, AK

Dear Representative Fansler,

I am writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

This compact between states would create a more competitive presidential campaign environment. This compact would also protect the constitutional right of states to determine how their electoral votes are allocated while effectively implementing a popular vote system for electing our president and vice-president.

Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Don Callahan 606 Bennington Drive Fairbanks, 99709 907-388-1658

CC: Legislators in Juneau that may do something.

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Sincerely, Tim Quintal Fairbanks, AK

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely,

Dear Representative Fansler,

I'm writing in support of your legislation HB 175.

I believe in one person, one vote. Many folks don't vote because they believe "my vote doesn't count." If we empower the people by making your legislation a reality, I believe we'll have more engaged communities and states.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Julie Rafferty Fairbanks, Alaska

This is to let you know that I support HB175 which you are submitting to the legislators in Juneau.

What a relief it will be to get rid of the outdated Electoral College and have direct, popular voting.

We really need a popular vote. The Electoral College is no longer viable.

Thank you for introducing HB 175.

Sincerely,

Ruth Sheridan 4704 Kenai Ave. Anchorage, AK 99508

Dear Representative Fansler,

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Lawrence Hurlock Juneau Valley District

Thank you for pitching in on this important legislation!

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Sincerely, Chelsea Vukovich 99516 Dear Representative Fansler,

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Sincerely,

Patricia Dooley

Anchorage, Alaska

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Thank you for taking my written testimony into consideration.

Sincerely, Robert Archibald Roberta Highland PO Box 2460 Homer, AK 99603

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Sincerely,

Lynn Wilbur, B.S., PGDipSci, PhD candidate University of Aberdeen 617 Katlian St., Sitka AK (907) 752-0011