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History and Final Disposition

LD 1578 / HP1023

An Act to Adopt an Interstate Compact to Elect the President of the United States by National Popular Vote. Presented by Representative BELL of Yarmouth. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs. Public Hearing 01/08/24. (OTP-AM) Report B Accepted 03/13/24. Amended by: CA H-792. Carried Over: 07/26/23. Final Disposition: Enacted, Unsigned 04/16/24, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 628.

Original Bill

[LD 1578 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Enacted Law

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-792\) \(LD 1578 2024\) \(Passed\)](#)

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Floor Proceedings and Debate

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News Articles

Popular vote compact (Rick Davis) (Bangor Daily News, 5/11/2023, p. A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/BDN 230511G.pdf)

State lawmakers again consider cutting out Electoral College (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 1/9/2024, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/PPH 240109D.pdf)

All votes for president should be counted equally (Douglas Rooks) (Kennebec Journal, 1/11/2024, p. A3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/KJ 240111A.pdf)

Push to use popular vote in presidential election hits snag in Maine (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 2/7/2024, p. B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/PPH 240207G.pdf)

These Democrats could decide if Maine bucks the electoral college (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 2/28/2024, p. A1, B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/BDN 240228B.pdf)

House backs bill tying Maine's electoral votes to national popular vote (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 3/6/2024, p. B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/PPH 240306G.pdf)

Effort to elect presidents via popular vote gains ground in Legislature (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 3/14/2024, p. B1, B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/PPH 240314D.pdf)

National popular vote proposal heads for passage in legislature (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 4/3/2024, p. B1, B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/PPH 240403G.pdf)

Lawmakers send national popular vote proposal to Mills (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 4/5/2024, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/PPH 240404C.pdf)

Mills lets Maine join national popular vote effort to leave electoral college behind (Billy Kobin) (Bangor Daily News, 4/16/2024, p. A1, A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD15xx/nc131-LD-1578/BDN 240416D.pdf)

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