ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE THROUGH **National Popular Vote**



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Our current broken electoral system causes division and mistrust and undermines the legitimacy of our elections and the "one person, one vote" pillar of our democracy. The National Popular Vote bill would guarantee the presidency to the candidate who receives the greatest number of votes in all 50 states and DC, ensuring that every voter, in every state, will have an equal vote in every presidential election.

BETTER STANDARDS

- The principle of one-person-one-vote will be uniformly applied in presidential elections because each citizen's vote will carry the same weight in determining the winner of the election.
- **Candidates are incentivized to campaign to every voter** in every state, including Michigan, instead of focusing on a handful of states that are close in the polls while ignoring the rest of the country.
- Our democracy will be protected against extremist interference to influence the outcome of an election by "flipping" a few key states, since electoral power is held by individual voters instead of individual states.

HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

- Individual states join the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact via statute. House Bill 4156 and Senate Bill 126 would enter Michigan into this compact.
- The National Popular Vote law goes into effect once enacted by states with a majority of electoral votes (270 of 538). Until the compact goes into effect, the existing method of awarding electoral votes will be used by each state. The National Popular Vote Compact stays in effect as long as it includes 270 electoral votes.
- After a presidential election, once the chief elections officers of all 50 states and the District of Columbia have certified the results of the presidential election, all states who have passed the National Popular Vote law will award their electoral votes to the presidential candidate who received the most popular votes from all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

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Voters Not Politicians is the leading democracy and voting rights group in Michigan fighting for structural democracy reform to put voters at the center of policy-making.