

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to presidential elections; defining terms;
 3 establishing the Agreement Among the States to Elect the
 4 President by National Popular Vote; providing legislative
 5 intent; providing a method by which any state may become a
 6 member state; requiring a statewide popular election for
 7 President and Vice President of the United States;
 8 establishing a procedure for appointing presidential
 9 electors in member states; providing that the agreement
 10 becomes effective upon the occurrence of specified
 11 actions; providing for the withdrawal of a member state;
 12 requiring notification of member states when the agreement
 13 takes effect in a previously nonmember state or when a
 14 member state withdraws from the agreement; providing for
 15 termination of the agreement if the electoral college is
 16 abolished; providing for severability; providing an
 17 effective date.

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 19 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 21 Section 1. The Agreement Among the States to Elect the
 22 President by National Popular Vote.--The Agreement Among the
 23 States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote is
 24 enacted into law and entered into by this state with all states
 25 legally joining therein in the form substantially as follows:

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 27 Article I
 28 DEFINITIONS.--For purposes of this agreement:

57 of Columbia may become a member of the league of states
 58 officially supporting this agreement by enacting this agreement.

60 Article III

61 RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE IN MEMBER STATES TO VOTE FOR THE
 62 PRESIDENT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT.--Each member state shall
 63 conduct a statewide popular election for President and Vice
 64 President of the United States.

66 Article IV

67 MANNER OF APPOINTING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS IN MEMBER
 68 STATES.--

69 (1) Before the time set by law for the meeting of and
 70 voting by the presidential electors, the chief election official
 71 of each member state shall determine the number of votes cast in
 72 a statewide popular election for each presidential slate in each
 73 state of the United States and in the District of Columbia and
 74 shall add the total number of votes from each state to produce a
 75 national popular vote total for each presidential slate.

76 (2) The chief election official of each member state shall
 77 designate the presidential slate having the largest national
 78 popular vote total as the national popular vote winner.

79 (3) The presidential elector certifying official of each
 80 member state shall certify the appointment in that official's
 81 respective state of the elector slate nominated by that state in
 82 association with the national popular vote winner.

83 (4) At least 6 days before the day established by law for
 84 the meeting of and voting by the presidential electors, each

85 member state shall make a final determination of the number of
86 popular votes cast in the state for each presidential slate and
87 shall communicate an official statement of such determination
88 within 24 hours to the chief election official of each other
89 member state.

90 (5) The chief election official of each member state shall
91 treat as conclusive an official statement containing the number
92 of popular votes in a state for each presidential slate made by
93 the day established by federal law for making a state's final
94 determination conclusive as to the counting of electoral votes
95 by Congress.

96 (6) If the election results in a tie for the national
97 popular vote winner, the presidential elector certifying
98 official of each member state shall certify the appointment of
99 the elector slate nominated in association with the presidential
100 slate receiving the largest number of popular votes within that
101 official's respective state.

102 (7) If, for any reason, the number of presidential
103 electors nominated in a member state in association with the
104 national popular vote winner is fewer than or greater than that
105 state's number of electoral votes, the presidential candidate on
106 the presidential slate who has been designated as the national
107 popular vote winner may nominate the presidential electors for
108 that state, and that state's presidential elector certifying
109 official shall certify the appointment of such nominees.

110 (8) The chief election official of each member state shall
111 immediately release to the public all vote counts or statements
112 of votes as they are determined or obtained.

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113 (9) This article shall govern the appointment of
114 presidential electors in each member state in any year in which
115 this agreement is, on July 20, in effect in states cumulatively
116 possessing a majority of the electoral votes.

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118 Article V

119 OTHER PROVISIONS.--

120 (1) This agreement shall take effect when states
121 cumulatively possessing a majority of the electoral votes have
122 enacted this agreement in substantially the same form and the
123 enactments by such states have taken effect in each state.

124 (2) Any member state may withdraw from this agreement,
125 except that a withdrawal occurring 6 months or less before the
126 end of a President's term does not become effective until a
127 President or Vice President has been qualified to serve the next
128 term.

129 (3) The chief executive of each member state shall
130 promptly notify the chief executive of all other states when
131 this agreement has been enacted and has taken effect in that
132 official's state, or when the state has withdrawn from this
133 agreement.

134 (4) This agreement shall terminate if the electoral
135 college is abolished.

136 (5) If any provision of this agreement is held invalid,
137 the remaining provisions shall not be affected.

138 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.