I am submitting this email as my written testimony related to SB 870, since I will not attend the hearing.

I urge you to oppose SB 870, the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote. It is a childish folly to attempt to change by state pact a requirement embodied for good reason in the US Constitution. See the Constitutional provision below.

The following map gives a visual of what the distorted national election results would look like under National Popular Vote...where small population states, such as OREGON, have almost no say in the results. I say NO to this self-defeating folly.



THE CONSTITUTION

Article II

Section 1. The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. He shall hold his Office during the Term of four Years, and, together with the Vice President, chosen for the same Term, be elected, as follows:

Each State shall appoint, in such Manner as the Legislature thereof may direct, a Number of Electors, equal to the whole Number of Senators and Representatives to which the State may be entitled in the Congress: but no Senator or Representative, or Person holding an Office of Trust or Profit under the United States, shall be appointed an Elector.

Thank you for your service.

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