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To:

House State Government and Elections Committee

Subject:

House Bill No 5519 - Against

Dear Chairman Shanley and Members of the House State Government and Elections Committee,

I am writing in opposition to H-5519 that aims to repeal Rhode Island's joining the interstate compact that would allow Presidents and Vice Presidents to be elected by a national popular vote rather than the electoral college.

As a member of the League of Women Voters of RI, I support the law passed by Rhode Island in 2013, and supported by the League then, to enter into the National Popular Vote compact. The goal of the compact is for the candidate receiving the most popular votes in all 50 states and DC to get all the electoral votes from all states.

Everyone's vote counts but the current electoral college system gives more weight to votes in the battleground states. The National Popular Vote compact envisions a better one person-one vote system. There is no good reason to repeal the current law.

Thank you.

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