

SENATE BILL No. 242

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning certain elections, enacting the interstate compact on
2 the agreement among the states to elect the president by national
3 popular vote act.

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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. This act may be cited as the Interstate Compact on the
7 Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular
8 Vote Act.

9 **ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP**

10 Any State of the United States and the District of Columbia may
11 become a member of this agreement by enacting this agreement.

12 **ARTICLE II. RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE IN MEMBER**

13 **STATES TO VOTE FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT**

14 Each member state shall conduct a statewide popular election for
15 President and Vice President of the United States.

16 **ARTICLE III. MANNER OF APPOINTING PRESIDENTIAL**
17 **ELECTORS IN MEMBER STATES**

18 1. Prior to the time set by law for the meeting and voting by the
19 presidential electors, the chief election official of each member state shall
20 determine the number of votes for each presidential slate in each State of
21 the United States and in the District of Columbia in which votes have been
22 cast in a statewide popular election and shall add such votes together to
23 produce a “national popular vote total” for each presidential slate.

24 2. The chief election official of each member state shall designate the
25 presidential slate with the largest national popular vote total as the
26 “national popular vote winner.”

27 3. The presidential elector certifying official of each member state
28 shall certify the appointment in that official’s own state of the elector slate
29 nominated in that state in association with the national popular vote
30 winner.

31 4. At least six days before the day fixed by law for the meeting and
32 voting by the presidential electors, each member state shall make a final
33 determination of the number of popular votes cast in the state for each
34 presidential slate and shall communicate an official statement of such
35 determination within 24 hours to the chief election official of each other
36 member state.

1 2. “Elector slate” shall mean a slate of candidates who have been
2 nominated in a state for the position of presidential elector in association
3 with a presidential slate;

4 3. “Chief election official” shall mean the state official or body that
5 is authorized to certify the total number of popular votes for each
6 presidential slate;

7 4. “Presidential elector” shall mean an elector for President and Vice
8 President of the United States;

9 5. “Presidential elector certifying official” shall mean the state
10 official or body that is authorized to certify the appointment of the state’s
11 presidential electors;

12 6. “Presidential slate” shall mean a slate of two persons, the first of
13 whom has been nominated as a candidate for President of the United
14 States and the second of whom has been nominated as a candidate for Vice
15 President of the United States, or any legal successors to such persons,
16 regardless of whether both names appear on the ballot presented to the
17 voter in a particular state;

18 7. “State” shall mean a State of the United States and the District of
19 Columbia; and

20 8. “Statewide popular election” shall mean a general election in
21 which votes are cast for presidential slates by individual voters and
22 counted on a statewide basis.

23 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
24 publication in the statute book.