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To our current legislators,

Please remove Maine from participating in the National Public Vote compact. This initiative effectively removes the voice from the citizens of Maine in regards to electing a president.

I struggle to comprehend why anyone residing in a small state thinks this is wise.

The only reason our country exists is due to the creation of the Electoral College. When the original American colonies were striving to become the United States of America, there were large population disparities between them, just as there are today. The smaller colonies demanded a legislative system that allowed their choice to MATTER when a president was elected.

This was a deal breaker, folks. The formation of the Electoral College created an avenue by which the votes of the citizens of the areas with a smaller population were given a voice amid the votes of citizens of areas with larger populations. This system of Electoral College votes is still vital today, if Mainers are to have any say in choosing future presidents.

The NPV is designed to eliminate the entire purpose of the Electoral College by requiring that all Electoral College votes be awarded to the most popular candidate. The United States, however, is not a straight democracy governed by mob rule. It is a constitutional republic, a representative democracy that was deliberately designed to allow all citizens of all states to have a say. Please allow the voters of Maine to keep their voice in the election of our president.