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ASSEMBLY BILL 186

Revises provisions relating to electing the President of the United States.

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Thank you, (Mr./Madam) President. Article II, Section 1 of the United States Constitution gives states exclusive control over awarding their electoral votes. Forty-eight states now award presidential electors on the basis of winner-take-all. Instead, Assembly Bill 186 enacts the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote. The Agreement is an interstate compact in which member states agree to award their electors to the presidential candidate receiving the greatest number of votes nationally. The compact would not take effect until it is enacted by states whose electoral votes would total enough to elect the President (270 of 538).

The Agreement provides for determination of the national popular vote winner; certification of a state's slate of electors; an effective date when states cumulatively possessing a majority of the electoral votes have enacted the agreement; and withdrawal from the Agreement under certain circumstances.