

# **One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB583**

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**Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing: February 23, 2011**

LB 583 adopts the Interstate Compact on the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote. The compact will become effective when states cumulatively possessing a majority of the electoral votes have enacted this compact.

Currently the compact has been enacted by six states, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Washington, and the District of Columbia representing 73 electoral votes or 27% of the 270 needed to bring the compact into effect. When the National Popular Vote compact takes effect it would assure that the person elected President of the United States has won the most popular votes nationwide.

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Ken Haar**