

1) Oregon HAS A POPULAR VOTE ALREADY---conducted right here in Oregon, and finished in Oregon, displayed to the rest of America as "The Oregon Vote." Whatever outcome Oregon concludes is how the electors vote for President. To take away our RIGHT to conduct our own popular vote is to strip Oregon voters of sovereignty in choosing a president.

The beauty of America is that all the powers are broken up. Nothing is supposed to be so big that it cannot be influenced by individuals or states...the Bill of Rights assures that we have all the powers not described in the U.S. Constitution as belonging to the Federal government. This is to ensure that the voice of individuals will be loud.

Our voice is very loud when we have our electors assemble to cast their votes for the president. Everybody knows how Oregon voted. We are represented in the ONE election that is voted on by every citizen in America. Our other elections are for our own people.. To give up our voice,-- to even be persuaded that giving up our voice would be good for us, -- it is all a tragedy that we have forgotten what it is like to be voiceless in the bigness of large populations. "National Popular Vote' sounds so great, but the actual practice will be another Democrat disaster. And again they will find a way to not be held responsible for having stripped us of our God-given rights.

What this bill will do is create a large faceless pool across America, and we will be a minority among the millions of other Americans. We will no longer have the voice that we now have, that was conferred to us by the Constitution of the United States. We will be an individual here or there, and nobody will ever again know how Oregon voted for president.

I cannot believe we are again considering giving up the right to be heard. How can we be so easily conned into believing a lie? Once a right is gone it is very difficult or impossible to get it back. The centralization of power is not good for individual voices. Or state voices.

Secondly, the election of president in a national vote will not be easy to control for fraud or other violations of the law. We are essentially considering cutting off the fins of the fish so that politicians can eat us for dinner.

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