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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide a new procedure for appointment of Electors for the election of the President and Vice President.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ENGEL introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide a new procedure for appointment of Electors for the election of the President and Vice President.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several

1 States within seven years after the date of final passage
2 of this joint resolution:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “SECTION 1. In an election for President and Vice
5 President, each State shall appoint two Electors to vote
6 for the candidates for President and Vice President that
7 received the greatest number of popular votes in the State
8 and, for each congressional district established pursuant
9 to section 2 of this article, one Elector to vote for the can-
10 didates for President and Vice President that received the
11 greatest number of popular votes in that district. The per-
12 son having the greatest number of Electors appointed
13 after Electors are appointed from all States shall be the
14 President.

15 “SECTION 2. Each State shall by law establish, for
16 the election of Representatives in Congress and for pur-
17 poses of section 1 of this article, a number of districts
18 equal to the number of Representatives to which such
19 State is entitled. All such districts shall be established by
20 the States at such intervals as the Congress by law pro-
21 vides. Any district established for the election of Rep-
22 resentatives in Congress as of the date of the ratification
23 of this article may be considered to be established pursu-
24 ant to this section.

1 “SECTION 3. For purposes of this article, the District
2 constituting the seat of Government of the United States
3 shall be treated as if it were a State, except that the Dis-
4 trict may not appoint a number of Electors greater than
5 the number of Electors appointed by the least populous
6 State.

7 “SECTION 4. The Congress shall have the power to
8 enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

9 “SECTION 5. This article shall apply with regard to
10 any election for President and Vice President that is held
11 more than one year after the date of the ratification of
12 this article.”.

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