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An act to Distribute The Electoral Votes in Kentucky to Represent the Interests of the People

Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: As seen in past elections, the difference between the votes cast for the candidates of the two main parties is not large enough to justify giving all of the electoral votes to a single candidate. As such, it would be beneficial to the interests of the people of Kentucky to have their votes represented in the casting of the states electoral votes.

Section 2: A plan to distribute the electoral votes using the percent of votes cast for each candidate can therefore be implemented. It is proposed that the percent of the vote necessary to garner an electoral vote be proportional to the number of electoral votes the state has alloted. Currently, as the state has eight electoral votes, it would require 12.5% of the vote in order to merit an electoral vote. This percentage would be adjusted as the electoral votes in Kentucky increased with the percentage necessary equaling one over the amount of electoral votes.

Section 3: In the event that there is not a candidate that has a clear percentage in order to earn the electoral vote, then the candidate with the largest percentage will receive the remaining electoral votes. For example in the 2012 presidential election Mitt Romney gained 60.5% of the vote, Barack Obama gained 37.8% of the vote and the other three candidates gained a combined 1.7%. Using this system Romney would have received 5 votes and Obama would have received 3 votes in the electoral college.