## Rhode Island Gov. Chafee Puts National Popular Vote Over the Halfway Mark

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PROVIDENCE, RI (RPRN) 07/15/13 — Governor Lincoln Chafee recently signed National Popular Vote into law, making Rhode Island the 10th jurisdiction – nine states and Washington DC – to engot the bill

With the addition of Rhode Island's four electoral votes, National Popular Vote, the non-partisan electoral reform movement, has now amassed 136 – or 50.4% – of the 270 electoral votes needed to bring it into effect.

"It is extremely encouraging," says Barry Fadem, President of National Popular Vote, "to see small, medium, and large states embracing National Popular Vote in a non-partisan fashion because they understand it will ensure that every voter in every state will matter in every presidential election."

## **About National Popular Vote**

National Popular Vote is a 501(c)4 political organization advancing National Popular Vote legislation on a state-by-state basis. Under National Popular Vote, enacting states pledge their electors to the presidential candidate who wins the most popular votes in all 50 states. Having become law in nine states and the District of Columbia, the bill has been introduced in all 50 states and has passed more than 30 legislative chambers. For more information, visit www.nationalpopularvote.com.

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