

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5007

As of February 12, 2001

Title: An act relating to the election of electors of president and vice- president.

Brief Description: Modifying the composition of electors for president and vice-president.

Sponsors: Senator McCaslin and Carlson.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State & Local Government: 2/14/01.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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Background: The states may determine how to proportion their electoral votes. Currently 48 states grant their electors to the winner of the statewide presidential election. Maine and Nebraska grant one elector to the winner of each congressional district and the remaining two electors to the statewide winner.

Summary of Bill: The statewide winner of the presidential election is granted two presidential electors, while remaining electors are granted individually to the winning presidential candidate within each congressional district.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.