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Senator Joyce Waddell and Senator Nickel Held Press Conference on National Popular Vote Interstate Compact

RALEIGH, NC – On Wednesday, June 11th at 2:00 pm, Senator Joyce Waddell (Mecklenburg County) and Senator Wiley Nickel (Wake County) held a press conference at the North Carolina General Assembly about Senate Bill 104; the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact.

Primary sponsor of Senate Bill 104, Senator Waddell said, “The time is now that we take action to make sure that the National Popular Vote is brought forward in North Carolina.”

Senate Bill 104 would ensure that every citizen’s vote will be counted equally in each state and across the country instead of a state by state winner takes all system. For this bill to go into effect, the interstate compact would have to become law in a number of states totaling 270 Electoral College Votes.

Author and Primary Sponsor of Senate Bill 104, Senator Nickel said, “Two of the last four presidents were elected by the Electoral College not the majority of Americans. This bill would help ensure that every vote, in every state, will count in every presidential election.”

Only 81 more Electoral College votes are required to reach the needed

270. North Carolina’s 15 Electoral College votes would bring the current total up to 204.

Senator Nickel said, “Many Americans feel like their vote doesn’t matter because they live in a state where the Electoral College votes are very likely to go to one candidate. It’s time for North Carolina to join the growing movement to recognize the National Popular Vote.”

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