

**League of Women Voters US**  
**Voter Representation/ Electoral Systems Concurrence**  
**Informational Quick Summary**

1. This concurrence is about voter representation. It is NOT about election security or transparency which is covered by other League positions and it is NOT about election services.
2. This concurrence is about increasing representation for voters via the electoral system. [The electoral system means how votes translate into seats, or how the winner(s) are determined.]
3. Currently, LWVUS has no position on how we elect our representatives. The purpose of having this position is to provide a clear, flexible base of principles for evaluating electoral options to enhance the voice of more voters.
4. LWVUS considers this topic to be relevant and timely and therefore recommends trying this new concurrence process as a pilot. The position is based on State and Local League studies and positions.
5. No study is required.
6. This position provides a guide and criterion to consider when proposing or evaluating electoral method reforms to “provide the broadest voter representation possible” or remedy voting rights violations.
7. Some electoral terms may be new to members. The background, terminology, and pros and cons have been provided on the LWV League Management site.
8. League leaders and co-leads for the project are available to answer any questions. (Co-leads listed below.)
9. This position does not support any particular electoral system(s) as no system is perfect.
10. While many Leagues have positions that support alternative electoral systems, this LWVUS concurrence does not support any particular electoral system(s). It helps evaluate options for your community.
11. Leagues are encouraged carefully to consider this concurrence during program planning and answer related questions on the online program planning form/survey due by March 1, 2020.

The primary points of contact for state and local Leagues will be Dr. Barbara Klein and Paula Lee. All questions regarding this concurrence should be directed to them at the following emails.

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