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Oregon	1915	x					(2) A candidate for elector when selected shall sign a pledge that, if elected, the candidate will vote in the electoral college for the candidates of the party for President and Vice President. The Secretary of State shall prescribe the form of the pledge.	Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 248.355 (West 2020)
California	1937		x				The electors, when convened, if both candidates are alive, shall vote by ballot for that person for President and that person for Vice President of the United States, who are, respectively, the candidates of the political party which they represent, one of whom, at least, is not an inhabitant of this state.	Cal. Elec. Code § 6906 (West 2020)
Florida	1949	x					Each such elector shall be a qualified elector of the party he or she represents who has taken an oath that he or she will vote for the candidates of the party that he or she is nominated to represent.	Fla. Stat. § 103.021 (2020)
Idaho	1949		x				[Electors] shall be bound to vote for the party candidate for president and vice-president respectively whose name appear at the head of the party ticket.	Act of March 4, 1949, ch. 141, 1949 Idaho Sess. Laws 247, repealed by Act of March 10, 1970, ch. 140, 1970 Idaho Sess. Laws 351
Maryland	1957		x				"the presidential electors shall cast their votes for the candidates for President and Vice President who received a plurality of the votes cast in the State of Maryland"	Md. Code Ann., Elec. Law § 8-505 (West 2020)
Colorado	1959		x				(5) Each presidential elector shall vote for the presidential candidate	Colo. Rev. Stat. § 1-4-304 (2020)
Hawaii	1959		x				"The electors, when convened, if both candidates are alive, shall vote by ballot for that person for president and that person for vice president of the United States, who are, respectively, the candidates of the political party or group which they represent, one of whom, at least, is not an inhabitant of this State. "	Haw. Rev. Stat. § 14-28 (2020)
Alaska	1960	x	x				[40] The party shall require from each candidate for elector a pledge that as an elector the person will vote for the candidates nominated by the party of which the person is a candidate. ... [90]The electors shall proceed to cast their votes for the candidates for the office of President and Vice-President of the party that selected them as candidates for electors	Alaska Stat. § 15.30.040 (2020)
Connecticut	1961		x				The presidential electors ... shall cast his ballots for the candidates under whose names he ran on the official election ballot,	Conn. Gen. Stat. § 9-176 (2020)
D.C.	1961	x					Each person elected as elector of President and Vice President shall, in the presence of the Board, take an oath or solemnly affirm that he or she will vote for the candidates of the party he or she has been nominated to represent, and it shall be his or her duty to vote in such manner in the electoral college.	D.C. Code § 1-1001.08 (2020)
Nevada	1961		x				The presidential electors shall vote only for the nominees for President and Vice President of the party that prevailed in this state in the preceding general election.	Act of March 28, 1961, 1961 Nev. Stat. ch. 183, § 38, 296, repealed by Act of May 29, 2013, 2013 Nev. Stat. ch. 270, § 14, 1229

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Oklahoma	1961	x				x	[Every elector] shall take the oath. [Violating oath is a misdemeanor, \$1,000 fine]	Act of February 21, 1961, ch. 15a, Official Session Laws 1961 (Oklahoma) 259
New Mexico	1963		x			x	(A) All presidential electors shall cast their ballots in the electoral college for the candidates of the political party which nominated them as presidential electors. (B) Any presidential elector who casts his ballot in violation of the provisions contained in Subsection A of this section is guilty of a fourth degree felony.	N.M. Stat. Ann. § 1-15-9 (West 2020)
Maine	1969		x				"The presidential electors at large shall cast their ballots for the presidential and vice-presidential candidates who received the largest number of votes in the State."	Me. Stat. tit. 21-A, § 805 (2020)
North Carolina	1969			x			[R]efusal or failure to vote for the candidates of the political party which nominated such elector shall constitute a resignation from the office of elector, his vote shall not be recorded, and the remaining electors shall forthwith fill such vacancy as hereinbefore provided.	N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-212 (2020)
Ohio	1969		x				[Elector shall] cast his electoral vote for the nominees for president and vice-president of the political party which certified him to the secretary of state as a presidential elector pursuant to law.	Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 3505.40 (West 2020)
Idaho	1970		R				See link (new election code; act does not bind electors or otherwise clarify presidential elector processes)	Act of March 10, 1970, ch. 140, 1970 Idaho Session Laws 351
Massachusetts	1971	x					"Said acceptance form shall include a pledge by the presidential elector to vote for the candidate named in the filing."	Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 53, § 8 (2020)
Michigan	1971		x	x			Failure to so resign signifies consent to serve and to cast his vote for the candidates for president and vice-president appearing on the Michigan ballot of the political party which nominated him. Refusal or failure to vote for the candidates for president and vice-president appearing on the Michigan ballot of the political party which nominated the elector constitutes a resignation from the office of elector, his vote shall not be recorded and the remaining electors shall forthwith fill the vacancy.	Mich. Comp. Laws § 168.47 (2020)
South Carolina	1971	x	x			x	Each candidate for presidential and vice-presidential elector shall declare which candidate for president and vice-president he will vote for if elected. Those elected shall vote for the president and vice-president candidates for whom they declared. ... Any elector who votes contrary to the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of violating the election laws of this State and upon conviction shall be punished according to law. ... The Attorney General shall institute criminal action for any violation of the provision of this section.	S.C. Code Ann. § 7-19-80 (2020)
Tennessee	1972		x				(c)(1) The electors shall cast their ballots in the electoral college for the candidates of the political party which nominated them as electors if both candidates are alive.	Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-15-104(c) (2020)

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Wyoming	1973	x					"All Wyoming electors shall vote for the candidates for the office of president and vice-president receiving the highest number of votes in the Wyoming general election."	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 22-19-108 (2020)
Alabama	1975	x					Each person so listed shall execute the following statement which shall be attached to the certificate or petition when the same is filed with the Secretary of State: "I do hereby consent and do hereby agree to serve as elector for President and Vice President of the United States, if elected to that position, and do hereby agree that, if so elected, I shall cast my ballot as such elector for _____ for President and _____ for Vice President of the United States" (inserting in the blank spaces the respective names of the persons named as nominees for the respective offices in the certificate to which this statement is attached).	Ala. Code § 17-14-31(c) (2020)
Washington	1977	x			x		"Each political party shall require from each candidate for elector a pledge that as an elector he or she will vote for the candidates nominated by that party." "Any elector who votes for a person or persons not nominated by the party of which he or she is an elector shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to a fine of one thousand dollars."	Act of June 15, 1977, ch. 238, Washington Laws, 1977, 873, repealed by Uniform Unfaithful Presidential Electors Act, ch. 143 Washington Laws, 2019, 755
Vermont	1979	x					"The electors must vote for the candidates for President and Vice President who received the greatest number of votes at the general election."	Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 17, § 2732 (2020)
Wisconsin	1979	x					"The presidential electors, when convened, shall vote by ballot for that person for president and that person for vice president who are, respectively, the candidates of the political party which nominated them under s. 8.18, the candidates whose names appeared on the nomination papers filed under s. 8.20, or the candidate or candidates who filed their names under s. 8.185 (2), except that at least one of the persons for whom the electors vote may not be an inhabitant of this state."	Wis. Stat. Ann. § 7.75(2) (West 2020)
Mississippi	1982	x					[Each elector must declare:]: "I do hereby consent and do hereby agree to serve as elector for President and Vice President of the United States, if elected to that position, and do hereby agree that, if so elected, I shall cast my ballot as such for for President and for Vice President of the United States" (inserting in said blank spaces the respective names of the persons named as nominees for said respective offices in the certificate to which this statement is attached).	Miss. Code. Ann. § 23-15-785 (2020)
Delaware	1992	x					In all cases, the electors chosen or appointed in this State for the election of a President and Vice President of the United States under this chapter shall be required to cast their individual votes for the presidential and vice presidential nominees, or their legal successors, of the political party that nominated the elector.	Del. Code Ann. tit. 15, § 4303 (2020)

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Virginia	1993		x				Electors selected by the state convention of any political party as defined in § 24.2-101 shall be required to vote for the nominees of the national convention to which the state convention elects delegates. Electors named in any petition of qualified voters as provided in § 24.2-543 shall be required to vote for the persons named for President and for Vice President in the petition	Va. Code Ann. § 24.2-203 (2020)
Nebraska	1994		x				Each at-large presidential state. Each congressional district presidential elector shall cast his or her ballot for the presidential and vice-presidential candidates who received the highest number of votes in his or her congressional district.	Election Act, § 214, 1994 Neb. Laws 53
Utah	1995			x			(3) Any elector who casts an electoral ballot for a person not nominated by the party of which he is an elector, except in the cases of death or felony conviction of a candidate, is considered to have resigned from the office of elector, his vote may not be recorded, and the remaining electors shall appoint another person to fill the vacancy.	Utah Code Ann. § 20A-13-304 (West 2020)
Minnesota	2005		x	x			Each elector, as a condition of having been chosen under the name of the party of a presidential and a vice-presidential candidate, is obligated to vote for those candidates. The elector shall speak aloud or affirm in a nonverbal manner the name of the candidate for president and for vice-president for whom the elector is voting and then confirm that vote by written public ballot. If an elector fails to cast a ballot for the presidential or vice-presidential candidate of the party under whose name the elector was chosen, the elector's vote or abstention is invalidated and an alternate presidential elector, chosen by lot from among the alternates, shall cast a ballot in the name of the elector for the presidential and vice-presidential candidate of the party under whose name the elector was chosen.	H. File 1481, 84th Leg., Reg. Sess. (Minn. 2005) repealed by Act of May 22, 2015, ch. 70, art.2, § 15, 1 Session Laws of the State of Minnesota 856
Montana	2011	x		x			[1] Each elector nominated by a political party under 13-25-101 or by an unaffiliated presidential candidate shall execute the following pledge: "If selected for the position of elector, I agree to serve and to mark my ballots for president and vice president for the nominees of the political party that nominated me." [2] An elector who refuses to present a ballot, presents an unmarked ballot, or presents a ballot in violation of the elector's pledge ... vacates the office of elector	Mont. Code Ann. § 13-25-304 (2019)

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Nevada	2013	x	x	x			[045] [A] nominee for presidential elector or an alternate may not serve as a presidential elector unless the nominee for presidential elector or the alternate signs a pledge ...; [075](1) The Secretary of State shall provide to each presidential elector a ballot for the office of President and a ballot for the office of Vice President. The presidential elector shall mark the applicable ballot provided by the Secretary of State for the person who received the highest number of votes ... (2) After all presidential electors have presented their ballots to the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State shall examine each ballot. If a presidential elector [fails to have voted properly, ballot rejected and elector removed]	Nev. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 298.045, 298.075 (West 2019)
Oklahoma	2013	x	x	x			Every party nominee for Presidential Elector shall subscribe to an oath, stating that said nominee, if elected, will cast his a ballot for the persons nominated for the offices of President and Vice President by the nominee's party. ... Refusal or failure to vote by a Presidential Elector for the persons nominated for the offices of President and Vice President by the nominee's party shall constitute a violation of the oath and shall result in the immediate forfeiture of the Elector's office.	Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 26, § 10-102 (West 2020)
Nebraska	2014	x	x	x			[713] Each presidential elector shall execute the following pledge. ... [714] (2) ... Each at-large presidential elector shall mark his or her ballot for the presidential and vice-presidential candidates who received the highest number of votes in the state and consistent with his or her pledge. Each congressional district presidential elector shall mark his or her ballot for the presidential and vice-presidential candidates who received the highest number of votes in his or her congressional district and consistent with his or her pledge. (3) ... The Secretary of State shall examine each ballot and accept as cast each ballot marked by a presidential elector consistent with his or her pledge. The Secretary of State shall not accept and shall not count the ballot if the presidential elector has not marked the ballot or has marked the ballot in violation of his or her pledge. (4) A presidential elector ... who attempts to present a ballot marked in violation of his or her pledge vacates the office of presidential elector.	Neb. Rev. Stat. § 32-713, 714 (2020)

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Minnesota	2015	x	x	x			Each elector nominee and alternate elector nominee of a political party shall execute the following pledge: [208.43] Each elector nominee and alternate elector nominee of a political party shall execute the following pledge... [208.46] [E]ach elector shall present both completed ballots to the secretary of state, who shall examine the ballots and accept as cast all ballots of electors whose votes are consistent with their pledges.... Except as otherwise provided by law of this state other than this chapter, the secretary of state may not accept and may not count either an elector's presidential or vice-presidential ballot if the elector has not marked both ballots or has marked a ballot in violation of the elector's pledge. (c) An elector who refuses to present a ballot, presents an unmarked ballot, or presents a ballot marked in violation of the elector's pledge ... vacates the office of elector....	Minn. Stat. § 208.43-46 (2019)
Arizona	2017		x	x			(B) After the secretary of state issues the statewide canvass containing the results of a presidential election, the presidential electors of this state shall cast their electoral college votes for the candidate for president and the candidate for vice president who jointly received the highest number of votes in this state as prescribed in the canvass. (C) A presidential elector who knowingly refuses to cast that elector's electoral college vote as prescribed in subsection B of this section is no longer eligible to hold the office of presidential elector and that office is deemed and declared vacant by operation of law.	H.B. 2302, 53rd Leg., 1st Reg. Sess. (Ariz. 2017)
Indiana	2017	x					[1.7] Each presidential elector nominee and each alternate presidential elector nominee of a political party shall execute the following pledge.... [9] (c) [T]he secretary of state may not accept and may not count either a presidential elector's presidential or vice-presidential ballot if the presidential elector has not marked both ballots or has marked a ballot in violation of the presidential elector's pledge....(d) A presidential elector who refuses to present a ballot, presents an unmarked ballot, or presents a ballot marked in violation of the presidential elector's pledge ... vacates the office of presidential elector.	Ind. Code § 3-10-4-1.7, 9 (2020)
Washington	2019	x	x	x	x		[084] Each elector nominee and alternate elector nominee of a political party shall execute the following pledge.... [090] Except ..., the secretary of state may not accept and may not count either an elector's presidential or vice presidential ballot if the elector has ... marked a ballot in violation of the elector's pledge. ... An elector who ... presents a ballot marked in violation of the elector's pledge ... vacates the office of elector.... [350] Every presidential elector who ... gives his or her vote for president and vice president consistent with his or her pledge ... is entitled to receive from this state a subsistence allowance and travel expenses	Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 29A.56.084, 090, 350 (West 2020)