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To: Senator Joyce Woodhouse
Subject: Redistricting, wow, another change to our recommendations

Dear Senator Woodhouse,

In an email three days our Redistricting Team recommended a change to our Rule 13.3 proposal, now we realize that proposal won't work.

For the past three days four of us on our team have been playing with different boundary lines in Clark County for both the Assembly and Senate in 2022. The immense population growth within our county since April 1st of 2010 makes it impossible to be sure there will never be two incumbents in same district. It might be done, but only with awful gerrymandering.

Therefore, we have rewritten our 13.3 language and it is heavy black print. If our Democratic Redistricting Chairs want approve some shocking gerrymandering, our new language does not exclude them from doing so, but our team hopes this does not happen.

Anyway, with luck, this will be our final draft.

Best wishes,

Forrest

A CD Redistricting Proposal, for the Rules being drafted in 2020.

We have included some information about "Compactness" because this goal dovetails nicely with proposal below.

Joint Standing Rules

REAPPORTIONMENT AND REDISTRICTING

Rule No. 13.1. Population Requirements.

1. State Legislative Districts: At the time of Reapportionment and Redistricting, per the opinion of the U.S. Supreme Court in *Brown v. Thompson* (1983), there shall be no more than a 10% population difference between Nevada's smallest and largest Assembly Districts and/or Senate Districts.
2. The same 10% rule shall apply to Districts for the State Board of Education, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada and the establishment of petition districts.

3. Congressional Districts: The population of the Nevada's largest Congressional District must be within 1% of the population of Nevada's smallest Congressional District.

Rule No. 13.2. Population Database.

The total state population, and the population of defined subunits thereof, as determined by the 2020 federal decennial census must be the exclusive database for redistricting by the Nevada Legislature. The allowable population variances in Rule 13.1 apply to Rule 13.2.

Rule No. 13.3. Districts.

All district boundaries should be as clean and understandable as possible, and when helpful and useful, census blocks, per published census rules, may be cut in half. The use of Latitude and Longitude lines is permissible. **Also, districts may be reconfigured and renumbered, and an effort shall be made to limit each district to one incumbent, but in some situations this may not be possible to achieve.**

• Compactness

Almost as often as state law asks districts to follow political boundaries, it asks that districts be "compact." 37 states require their legislative districts to be reasonably compact; 18 states require congressional districts to be compact as well.

Submitted by the Grassroots Team, this 13th day of October, 2020.

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