

Hello Chair Boshart Davis and Committee Members,

I had the opportunity to speak today at the 1:00pm public hearing and I would like to include the following paragraph that I omitted during my live testimony.

A quote from Decision Desk HQ:

To disperse the Democratic vote from previously marginal seats, Plan A carves up outlying cities to dilute neighboring Republican area-Bend in Eastern Oregon grew slightly too large for one single district. The the mappers split the city into two blue State House seats. Four State House districts and three State Senate districts have pieces of the college town Eugene. Three State House districts and two State Senate districts split the Capitol Salem. Multiple districts reach out of Multnomah (Portland) into their less Democratic suburbs.

Are you starting to see the clear picture of dominance of one party? Balance, equity, and equal opportunity are blatantly missing. The oppression of the voices of the minority (Republicans) is painfully obvious. Rural areas-farmers, ranchers, agricultural, wineries, logging, & tourism interests will no longer be represented-because urban politicians will be making policy in which they consistently have no understanding and no business doing so.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment!

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