

**Maryland Citizens Redistricting Commission  
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Alright, I believe it is on now can you guys do the closed captioning. Okay.

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Okay so, um, as we start this meeting, we kind of feel like this is kind of exciting news because this will enable anyone to be able to go to the map go to the redistricting website, go to the map and say, Well what district min.

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According to these proposed draft final proposed draft maps that the Commission has put together. So I can go and I can kind of find an area and just kind of click on it and then say okay that would be Senate District 29.

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That's one senate member what's the adjusted population for that area, and then some specific demographic area demographic information for that area, but I can also go and type in an address.

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So I'm just going to put our,

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office address here, and then I can kind of get some more information about that area based on a specific address, whether it be for congressional or Senate.

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This, this website can be found for any member of the public or for the commission. By simply going to the redistricting website and on the left-hand side, where you see the menu, you would see you miss the lecture I could just get back to it here real

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quick, you will see that there is a drop-down menu on the side. And here it would say final proposed draft maps viewer, and that's where you can get that information as to what an address what where an address would fall.

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Or you can just kind of look a little deeper into each of those districts and see what streets are in them where the boundary goes across and that kind of stuff.

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So that is there for it for everyone does anyone have any questions about that.

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That's really great thank you and to you and your team for putting that together it's really really helpful.

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We are pretty excited about that so pop ups that are available that provide the demographic information as well as the population statistics.

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I think that's really helpful that they don't have to go to separate tables.

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The only thing I haven't looked at close to note is to make sure that the distinguishing county boundaries are visible enough when you, when you get in there, but I haven't had chance to dive in, but unless Great, good job.

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Oh, thank you. We have a great team that worked on that, and I will let them all know that you are pleased with it.

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I will say this that when it comes to the kind of inform some of the information that is available on that map attitude website, you know, such as previous precincts that kind of information.

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census tract information that still exists in map attitude, it does not exist on this application, but you can get that information on magnitude as you are dealing with maps and maybe trying to change them or address them in some issues that you find

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as you go along. So that's where you would want to find that information still. Other than that, this application is ready and live for all of you as well as members of the public to gain that information.

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Kristin on a somewhat related issue.

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The window is going to reopen for public mouth submission.

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Shortly right or has it already. It already has. Yeah, so the window for public map submission once we had the, the congressional the proposed the final proposed draft congressional maps, and the final proposed draft senate maps, once we had them

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voted upon by the full commission, we posted them. And then we have the, the portal essentially go live, since they were posted. We wanted people to be able to either submit new maps or provide testimony about, about those maps, so that portal is now

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live for members of the public to provide information to the citizens' redistricting commission as to suggestions as about edits to map, those types of things.

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Submitting new maps, if the public would like to submit to submit a map, through that portal again it is live and to follow up on a question I know I sent you this question by email but for the benefit of those who are hearing this for the first time.

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Some members of the public will want to have a copy of the mouth, so that they can change, you know, make a particular change easily rather than having to construct an entire new mouth.

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They want to do an alteration on what we've because it's not capability in aptitude yet can there began with one of our mouths as their beginning mouth.

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I believe so. I will double check on that that day or two ago you couldn't put it may have changed I know this stuff is a work in progress. I will, I will definitely look into that further for you and.

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But also, the, the, the portal, and you know one of the things that we are recommending to the public is that, you know, round two was the round where people were suggesting initial maps round three is really more about asking the public to say these

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are the maps we've presented.

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Share your thoughts, feelings, ideas, suggestions edits.

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For us, as to those maps, so that we can take into consideration that testimony, as we continue forward.

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Other questions from the commissioners was once again thank you and thanks to the staff for, I think a tremendous step forward in this.

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You're very welcome. I'm just real quick one thing Mary, I am told that the counties are not delineated on those maps on the maps that we have. So, so we can look into that a little further, but as of now I don't believe that the county line is done that

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Yeah, hopefully they can add that, that'd be good. Okay.

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Um, I want to move on them. Unless there's more business from the Department of Planning I will move on to Professor personally, who's been working on several projects, and was hoping that he could talk about some of the alterations that he's been working

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on for the delegate and props also for the Senate maps without a good place to start. Professor work for me is a question of Walter. Are we done now with the proposed final map draft so both the Senate and the congressional.

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Are we done with that, what.

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Well, I'll let the professor answer.

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We have voted, our recommendations, but one of the things that the presser may be asking us to consider is whether we want to consider amendments or alterations to the Senate now.

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I think it's inevitable that you are going to want to make changes to the Senate map based on the changes that we're going to be made to delegate map.

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So, and this is going to go back and forth for several weeks just so we're clear you know that, hopefully, they won't be that major changes at some point but I think it's, it's going to manage your expectations I think that it's important, because all

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of all of the all of the comments y'all had last week, on the, on the delegate map will affect the senate maps as well.

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And I just want to make sure that William is comfortable with the on the final congressional district there in in Baltimore City. I know we voted it just want to make sure there's no further questions at this time before we get comments

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from you.

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You're muted, William if you're wanting to comment on that.

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I'm always have something to say but no reserve.

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Always have something to say but no reserve. But I'm fine until we get comments back from the public over the next couple of weeks.

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And same thing with Cheryl because again we've been talking about Baltimore County.

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And, and Mary would add any other comments I just want to make sure everybody's comfortable what we voted as the final again proposed man.

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I'm I am I'm ready. I agree to present this to the public, and then we'll talk about it, depending on the comments. I think it's a good nap. Great.

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Hello, I think we want to have a discussion about the way in which we approach on the idea of going back and changing the senate map but I want to anticipate what Professor personally has to say about it, I think, you know, we'll hear from him and then

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at some point we probably want to discuss the whys and wherefores of that but, but I wanted to take it away.

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Professor, I will let me just say on that last point my one recommendation would be let's have the hearing on Wednesday, see if we get some good comments on the existing senate map that people I have seen, which most of which is the same, even if you

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change the delegate maps but there are going to be some significant differences. And then we can based on where we are on the delegate map, we can, we can add we can make any changes that come out of Wednesday's meeting plus any changes that today,

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you feel are worth making, and then incorporate them by you know the end of this week in a new senate map, if necessary.

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Um. Alright so, so let me, let me just to explain a big picture what I worked on, based on the comments last week I went back to the delegate map and tried to make adjustments based on concerns that you all expressed as well as some that were expressed

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GLORIA Blackwell who presented to the Commission on the representation of Latino communities in Maryland.

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As I mentioned when I gave you the senate map and the and the earlier delegate map at 3% deviation.

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We're now at a stage because the, the maps are so tight, in terms of these low deviations that if you make one change.

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Or if you insert another principle I should say, it does have repercussions throughout many districts, but that that's you know that can also be good because not only do you solve one problem but then you can see other problems that you might solve and

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so you'll see changes that I've made as a result of some of these suggestions and then other changes that flow from them. And so what I'm going to do the districts that we, the last map that we're talking about is these districts and read.

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And so I will give you sort of before and after photos of where what changes were made.

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And I will try to make sure I cover all of them. Let me start outside the major cities, nothing in with in Western Maryland was changed from the earlier map, except if we include Carroll County as Western Maryland and this is, this is the way we have

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the district's you'll notice that single member districts going north, south, I think you all were justifiably as reside concerned about this like long compact shape doesn't seem necessary.

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Another thing that was, I think concerning was the shape of this delegate district which goes into how our county. And this intrusion here. And so what I was able to do is to change the districts, so that we have one district which is right here.



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So respects city lines, one district that goes all through the west of Carroll County. And when the in North East that gets Manchester and Hampstead, and then the delegate district that is going to go that go into our county actually does not need to

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to cross the border. I you know I was sort of drawing it out of the senate districts that were there. And so now we have one, a fourth fully contained

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district inside of Carroll County, which will be part of a senate district that would go into our county. So, and this goes, this is not incorporated elders Burke, but Sykes bill is just you want to see that these be incorporated municipalities and

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green here. And so, was able to do that there's some split precincts that had to be done there but I think it's a pretty nice and compact district that then of course affects this district that was district Senate District 14 which goes, which goes

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went in and over, let me just show you what it used to look like.

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Right, so it had this district with this protrusion, and then add the Ellicott City district which was kind of going in and out. As I was making this change I was able to get most of this district.

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So right inside elegant city. So now we have, you know, basically this kinda district that is in north and northwest Howard district, and then a district that is wholly almost wholly contained within our good city it's not all they'll continue, of course,

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because that's too much population, but it does, it does include that. Okay.

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Are there any questions on that move before I go to some others.

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I have a question. Nate.

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Then, when you say the word district as you're talking about these right now.

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This is the map that has 141 districts that are all that would all be single delegate is that correct. That is correct. I made any changes my view on the multi member delegate issue is that you all can just decide that and then we can combine any of these

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single member districts together. And so right now I'm essentially preparing for all scenarios by doing it this way, so that then you'll, you'll have the building blocks if you were to choose multi member districts, but if you choose single member districts

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at least we've got the best options there as well.

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Linda it's good to win this district here in Howard County and looks like Carroll County. You have three single member districts, one in Ellicott City, water.

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Yeah, three. So this would be the single member district 14 AB and say, All right, what and Carol to and Howard.

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But, but if you do adopt single member districts here you don't have one, Carol, the basically the Carroll delegates are all within the county. They don't need to cross over, like they did.

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I mean, what, what led to those crossovers was, was the way that we had drawn that district where I draw on that district. And then, because we're doing the senate districts, but I figured out that you don't need to.

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You don't need to do it that way but you can you can respect that county line. And the whole, the whole area would be Senate District 14. Yeah, this 114 Absa just so we're clear what we're talking about this area here, Eastern Carolina, South Eastern

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County, Northern Howard County and elegant city. All right, thank you.

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As the one who originally complained about Carl Icahn and not doing very well divided I'd like there's so much better. This makes much more sense so I appreciate the effort that went into this.

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Yeah, thank you. It was faster, this is, this is very well done. Thank you.

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Thank you. I was, yeah I was pleased when I, when I found out that I didn't have to cross the line I was like, Oh, well that's a bit of a eureka moment so that was good.

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They rarely come. So let me the show now once these are changed it does affect some of these districts here in a minor way I don't think this is significant, but let me just show you.

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This is what it looked like here.

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And then there's, there are some minor changes in this 27 A that goes into it but in good ways I think from a community subdivision standpoint that this just moves a few Catonsville is a little more whole as a result of some of these changes.

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As long as I'm in the area, let me talk about just northern Arundel County and then the, the, the crossover into Baltimore County, so the red districts right or what was.

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And now, the, the black districts or what is and so that the you'll notice that this district used to go this way, and this way, I was able to just minimize the intrusion into northern Arundel County because a little bit right here into the Brooklyn Park

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neighborhood minimizes the lift that come with the intrusion although that is that remains split and so then we just have this one intrusion for Baltimore County into Arundel County, and then of course there is the one for Prince George's and then

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one from Calvert below the Howard County one is completely been removed now. That's right. Well that was that was removed, even though the last version, right, that there's no, there's no district that crosses over from Anna Rundle to Howard County.

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And that's true in the senate map, I believe, yeah that's true and the senate map as well as the, the delegate map. Yeah.

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I mean, a part Katie still quite delicate city. What is that, yes.

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Okay, okay. Yes. Okay.

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Yeah, and that's just you know population remember you all, when we remove the intrusion from Howard County, that's what led, we've got my one district that goes from Howard into Baltimore County and one district that slightly goes in a random into Baltimore

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County but I tried to make that as small as possible. I was just checking is going to set all the line.

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at the boundaries of our businesses which again, this is not a, it's a census designated place it's not a municipality in the strict sense right but we are obeying that line here.

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And then this is basically our Eunice and the southeastern part of Baltimore County in that in that knocks out the southeastern part of that part of all County, and then a little, little part of Brooklyn Park, which I think you know there's I think you

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all may have sort of had some strange sort of remarks about how that makes sense and sort of trying to get this part with Baltimore County.

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I did not work with I think very small exceptions in here I did not touch Baltimore and Baltimore County all of these districts are the same, the one area is there's a little bit right here that I cleaned up to make more compact and to try to encrypt

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it to respect the Latino population as best as possible which it lives on this, all the sudden there's two neighborhoods one here, one here, this part is still somewhat split.

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It's not enough to create a majority minority district or anything like that but I was trying, there were some as you can see there were some of these were odd shapes that I was able to smooth out and to also try to respect the Latino community in that

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I'm satellite image that. Yeah, yeah.

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let me do that.

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Where would you like to zoom into here.

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Yeah, I mean not just this is just in general. Yes. Okay.

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Yeah. Alright so, so here's what it so no Rundle.

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As I was doing this and shifting some of these districts around, you'll see that there are minor changes on the borders to deal with these kinds of non compact

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intrusions that were there before, right so like I was able to go right along this road to in Glen Burnie right so I don't I don't know if these are significant and I mean, you'll see what was sort of guiding me here is some of these neighborhood demarcation

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So this sort of section of Glen Burnie on this border of Ferndale again these are census designated places but they do provide some kind of guidance.

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There are still some because the precinct lines in some places, there's still some jagged edges like this which I could easily smooth out. If we wanted to break up the precincts.

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But, but I didn't do that sort of uniformly, but you can see the these, these small changes and I don't know if Commissioner closet I mean if any part of part of what I saw here was that there was another kind of this continuity by water, so that this

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group, this group of folks was over here and then there was no way to go from here to that part of the district. So I made that the water that kind of dividing line here and then just kind of went down that way. I think they're minor refinements

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make sense so far.

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No, actually I think they're all, they're all improvements to what wouldn't been the previous version so I'm in favor of other suggestions along those lines, I'd be eager to get it you can see like the way I move this.

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Let me see I think in Annapolis don't know I've kept well Annapolis I guess it was this one little change here that there was looked like there was almost discontinuous block that it was nothing really much just to include that in there and I'm sure they

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included people.

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And going back to Baltimore City I assume that these are all of a single member districts in Baltimore City, everything, everything is a single member district until you tell me otherwise.

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So, I will say one of the reasons I did not make IO here there this one, there's a little change here that I made over a particular road there.

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But, but what I look I, I would like to figure a way to redo these districts here. Um, and part of it has to do with the shape of these districts, but it also depends on whether you're going to make the multi member districts or not, whether

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it's worth it or not.

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some of the Latino voting issues and Prince George's County and Emma GM right.

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But I particularly for our Baltimore folks on the commission I'm very eager, both in Baltimore city but also in western Baltimore County to get some input on how best to draw these districts right and happy to talk offline about why you know it's going

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in certain directions I'll say that interestingly enough I, this was not intentional but I did notice that might be, you know, the existing state legislative districts do have at least this district 44 does have this, this north south quality to it so

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it's not completely unprecedented but again they're using multi member districts, here, and here, so it's a very different kind of approach.

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Montgomery and George's county or the most changed.

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And let me talk about why I love Let me start with Prince George's County, actually, and district 33 a.

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After speaking to Gloria Aparicio Blackwell who's the advisor on Latina issues that for the commission.

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I became convinced that that.

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Well, and you all heard her, that the area of North Prince George's County. Here, you can draw and it currently exists in the delegate map, a 60 over 60% Latino District, which if under you know conditions of racially polarized voting this actually may

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even be required under the Voting Rights Act, because when you factor in the citizen issues.



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Then, that, you know, a 50% district might not be effective for the Latino community. I'll say this is one of the differences between thinking about like you know districts and chiefly African American districts in the voting rights act right is that

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you do have to think about citizenship.

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And so, so you'll see there's lots of differences. It's all I think limited just to Northern Prince George's County. That's why I didn't separate maps north and the south, you see it just affects districts, north of here, but the district that was changed

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the principally change was actually not changed that much actually with very little kind of violence. This map is this district in a Delphi.

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And so let me just take off the red.

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So you can see it this is now a 64 point something like point 8% Latino district, right, you know, caught get gets the compact Latino community in that area.

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What's the population was one.

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So 33 I'll just get it specific.

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So you can see here I'll show you the data right on this little graph, or this little table here.

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So it's 64.89% adjusted Latino population 22.87% adjusted, black voting age population.

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And so that's just that area there.

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But, you know, we still wanted to make sure that the Latino communities here, and in Riverdale our respect are not broken up. And so this chillin district is 33 c is a just over 50% Latino voting age population again when you factor in citizenship I don't

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think it's even remotely close to that but it's still should be a pretty effective district but mind you again this is pretty compact it's really not, you know, a strangely shaped district.

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34, a is also this is 55% Latino voting age population so that could potentially be an effective district. If not now, sometime in the future. As a result of those changes, we were actually able to draw a district that is completely with it in College

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is now completely contained within one delegate district as also with University Park in Brooklyn Heights. Okay so that so that was one of the as I was going through it and making those changes. I wanted to see if that was possible, and it is.

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What's the overall population that do.

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What is it 3333 a.

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No You said you could make a whole district for college. Yeah 33 beers is a largely white district it's College Park but it's perfect pocket I mean the only deviation of only point seven 7% so it's just like the others.

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In terms of the total population.

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Is that what you're asking me yeah I was just trying to get the total everything just so we're clear all of these, I kept.

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What while making all these changes I kept to the 3% threshold that I think you all kind of imposed on this plan, I will say this, if we, if we relaxed that population deviation There are all kinds of things that become possible.

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But I've been, I've been staying within that 3%, just like we stayed within 2% for the Senate districts and make us 34 be included all of Hyattsville it looks like it's got no I expel is going to be okay.

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And it was flipped before and its flipped currently and that, that is, I mean, where because it for, it's, um,

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it is a function of how these districts are drawn that leads to that split it was also see some of these like Mount Rainier and North Brentwood or also split down here.

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What are the what's the key.

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I guess revision of the senatorial district. So now that you've made this, these changes.

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What's the shape? And while they're very different so you can see 33 will be like this.

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It will be College Park Delphi here. Now, one thing we might want to consider is that you can decide to remember these districts, and to join them together in another way.

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I'll just say that basically every other district. Senate, or delegate district, with the exception of this one up here the belts the 32 and 35 A every other district in the plan is majority African American actually 35 they may be off as well.

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I'm just telling you right now.

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No, it's not so 35 days not but the Senate District, it will be a part of his.

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So that's how the district sort of switched around. As a result of that, let me I mean let me just in the spirit of full transparency let's just, you can see the ripple effects as you make these changes going throughout these districts,

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I did, however, as you can see, try to respect some of these neighbor, whereas we had the red jacket lines before. I've tried to convert where possible into what are straighter lines that respect, some of these community division some of those jacket

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lines were result of funny shaped precincts I should say, so I did end up breaking so precincts here, but you can see almost all of new Carol, I think all of New Carrollton is now and in one district right would want, you know, while there are casualties

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down here with some of these small municipalities that got split. I tried to do my best on some of these other areas.

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Okay.

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And this young, you can see some of them in there but there were small me if there would be let me just put up the municipalities, I mean it's somewhat hard to see this is the municipality map.

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And so you can see some that ended up being split as a result of that, but that you know this is part of the problem in Prince George's County, which is that you've got really discontinuous And strangely shaped municipality so it's sometimes hard to respect

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them all but you can see right in certain areas like Leonard NC pleasant Fairmount, right, we were able to do that now.

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Cheverly is in almost in one district Bladensburg is split a little bit.

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But you can see some of the others.

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Um, any other shows to like I said it just goes up to here and the population that rotated around this way.

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Not only talking about Montgomery county unless there are questions about Prince George's.

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I tell you can see Montgomery county looks like spaghetti on the wall right now because there's a lot that that that changed there. So let me just show you the way the district looks you can see some of the jagged edges that were there.

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One thing that would not only was this district 13 A not.

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I don't think it was significantly majority minority majority Latino, but it was.

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You could see what the district behind it district 13 be was sort of strangely shaped, as was this and so and so this district is not changed. This is now 55% Latino voting age population, which by the way will decrease the numbers in 13 BM 13 see which

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are like in the 30s. But, but now you can see, we go from that

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to this were 13 A, B and C, go up in this fashion let me.

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Oh and I know that.

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Commissioner Thomas wanted the highway. Tell me if well let me let me first do it just with the cities and towns on there so you can see

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what we what happens here.

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Takoma park still, still included within this one district. Silver Spring and split because it's so big Chevy Chase included, mostly in this district.

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I move this district down to the DC border, by the way, this will be the senate district that sort of the inner DC suburbs district. And then this but as I was trying to contemplating cutting off some of these antlers in Bethesda, but this is the shape

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of the precincts now and I'm a little concerned and this would be great if the public has feedback on how better to do the Bethesda district I, I know Bethesda relatively well and I thought that this made some sense, or I should say me just as little

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sense as any other way to, to split it but it but I think this is an area where I would want to work some more possible.

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And then try to keep this as a North Bethesda district.

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As a result of some of these changes here. Like I said it was, it was a pretty significant move, then the Rockfield district which was split sort of North South is now sled east west.

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before. I'll just show you. Yeah, so it's about 50. I was 57% minority that district as it gets some of the Latino population that was here as well.

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But again, this is, I think there's a nice sort of road right that goes right down the middle and so that that makes kind of nice dividing line for the district's can rock fell.

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Putting this district fully within Rockville.

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But the seventh district will include all of Rockville and then, and then North Bethesda, which I think is a kind of not unreasonable way to think about that community but again if we get good input from the, from the community itself I think that would

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be helpful.

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One thing that as I as I worked on this one thing that I hadn't realized, and let me just put it up there is.

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So this was the North Potomac district. And then

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I just want to show you something about the location of the Asian community in that area,

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which I just did not see the first time around, and so wanted to just check it.

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And, and so, just going to show you where the Asian community in North Potomac lives.

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as you see all my files here.

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so you notice the way we had the original line will just make it even bigger for you to see.

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Was crack going right down the middle of this community for no good reason, right I mean you had to split your pajamas just because of the population.

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But this is an example of where you know it's not required by the voting rights act, but it seems sort of gratuitous to go right down and so.

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So now that district respects that community. Right, going, going right on the outside here. Okay.

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Um, then and then that district is not you know it's not even close to being majority Asian or anything but, but it is right I think roughly 30 something percent I'll tell you right now.

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It's almost about 5050 white nonwhite it's about 34% Asian. Right.

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Okay, um, there were small changes in Gaithersburg that that I made in response to some of the comments.

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GLORIA Blackwell but you know the Latino community in Gaithersburg is quite disperses right now the Asian community you can see the other Asian communities are fully contained in in some of these districts.

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One of the things about elegant city if we want to if I want to see more of that later on but is that there's, you know changes that may also the Asian community they're more a percentage of that district.



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All right, um, but this did out all of these changes that were made here had ripple effects throughout the plan. The Clarksburg districts will basically kept the same way.

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But, but, but this district and sort of, I tried to go along what seemed to be like the only border even though it's a sentence that they have placed on these again these are not incorporated municipalities I don't want people to think that but also,

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when we moved Leisure World and one of those earlier changes right. It was letting so now it's actually in one district by itself.

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But if you want to see the way it was is the red lines, the way it is, is the black lines.

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Would you want to see the, the satellite imagery?

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You can see it this way, this district seven seems about 55% African American that they said this 113 a 55%, Latino, these are in the 30s, the Senate district that will comprise these is somewhere in the range of 37 to 40% Latina,

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and we've, we've eliminated that kind of strange district that kind of went over went over the sides of it.

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All right.

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I'm all right now, let me, I've done, there's no changes to Southern Maryland so these districts that are, that we had in South Prince George's County, or in Calvert or in St Mary's or Charles have the same right that we had before.

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Got one district that goes over the border Prince George's to happen to Charles and then you've got you know three districts wholly contained within three majority African American districts fully contained within Charles county.

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Now let me go to the outskirts of Baltimore and these areas here, you'll see that there was this kind of strange.

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Let me finish this out a little just say, I'm not exaggerating it but

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you can see that that this district 43, a was sort of shame, there was, it was all was barely contiguous that's because of the way that precincts were drawn, there's a precinct that's actually quite large that goes all the way down here and so if you

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add that whole precinct it would make this overpopulated this district 43 a. And so instead.

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You know I paired it back here. And so now this is basically the same as it was, except for that change you can see that the changes here. This I Believe 43 A is a near majority minority district.

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If it's not exactly, you know, but it's combined majority minority, not as if one group has, so Yeah, totally. You know, it's about 39% black.

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Right now, but you know significant influence district I would think and over 50% on white.

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I'm, I believe that I so now, now let me talk about everything else that gets affected on the eastern shore going up to the northern part of Harford County, but I want to start down here.

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If you remember we had this problem with you which is that this portion of what was 45 be was not contiguous by any land travel. Only by boat.

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And even though it was a compact district that largely respected political subdivision lines here.

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Although this this was broken here.

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And so this turned out to be a very difficult problem to solve, and that has to do with the how, how populated this area is. And then, how you make up for subtracting this population from this other district that's up here.

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Right. And so basically what you need to do is to push this district out, and then pull this district down.

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But one thing you'll see is that you can't just make an even swap between these counties because there's this area right here. And if you bring this district down.

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It will you will lose continuity of this district. I to just follow the sort of bouncing ball here which is that 45 see is going to go west to get this area of Queen Anne's county 45 be is not going to go down and take all of this area, going across this

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county and the next county right going off Queen hands and into Caroline.

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so this district. Again, this will be part of the larger Northeastern short Senate District.

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But this district goes right, we've got a nice compact district within Queen Anne's county that has this Western area here plus this this this area here, but the leftover right is put into district 45 be going all the way up and around.

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And one of the things that I spent an hour trying to figure out is to try to avoid the splitting of this little town of Denton here, which turned out to be quite difficult because you've got the other districts kind of crashing in on Caroline County.

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Right. And I don't see any other way, unless you're going to repeat the problem that we had before, which is going up and down the water or going up in these areas.

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I don't see because of where Caroline county is located. You're going to have essentially three parts of a district that that it has right because Denton County, or Denton goes in with that.

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All right.

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And I tried to figure out ways to limit the number of districts and at least as right now I haven't been able to do so. You can of course make this change different, but whereas you could like for instance go just up with this district and pull this district

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down but this is I think the most compact formulation of it,

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but I'm definitely open to some suggestions.

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All right, as me, what ball while making these changes. I also revisited this voting rights district here, because you'll see that the way we had it, which is very similar to the way that it is currently under the assembly, the delegate map is it's kind

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of this three headed.

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You know, symbol here.

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And so instead of, and just so we're clear just I'll just put on the delegate maps right, the current delegate maps go like that as well.

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That turns out not to be necessary in order to create a majority black district. Maybe because the population is moved, maybe for other reasons. And so I was able to draw the same percentage, you know, I think it's roughly 51 51% adjusted black voting

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age population I think 54% unadjusted 53% and adjusted for this district and I think the way it now is here is a little more compact right without going all the way up, as it was before.

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Right.

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And so I worked on the areas here but notice that this district, and this is true, you know, if you, you know, whenever you break these up into single member districts, which I think you have to hear because of the voting rights issues.

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You're going to have district 46 See, which goes right into three different counties parts of three different counties like this.

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But it's trying to respect the municipal lines to the extent possible, although, right, both to have actual continuity and, and also the respect you know to make sure that you, this is all one district.

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It's a there's a kind of narrow passageway down here.

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Then, as I was doing this, I had a discussion with chair Olson where you'll notice that the original district here, kind of went like this. And I thought that made sense because otherwise it's a little hard, you can't just like add the southern area here.

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south of Ocean City back in here you want to make sure that you have a way to get, get over there. And so I thought this reverse L shaped district made sense, but I figured I figured out that you could I think I just split, one or two precinct to do it,

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that you could draw what is this district here.

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That keeps Berlin, basically moves this district down this way and then pushes it over and you can see that there is transportation to access within the district.

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So that's, that's the plan right now.

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I did not want to create a separate senate map built off of this.

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But, but would do so after you know once we've got the WIOI also because of these changes down here as I mentioned, I'm able with 45, a to respect the Kent County border up here whereas before you'll see this was broken.

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And so now I'm able to do that, it did affect, you'll see these districts up here as well.

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Let me just show you what it used to look like. Right.

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So this district, how to Aberdeen have to cross district is now pulled down a little bit so it's a little more compact, this district is, you know, a more compact northern Maryland district, just so you can see just this area here, as opposed to going

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all the way out to here and then this, this area is,

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you know, more northern more compact just look at the way you know he used to look before buying up and down like this and now it's, it goes right up to the, to the corner there.

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And I'll say, but, you know, by way of conclusion that, you know, I.

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We and I can work on these maps, until the cows come home right, and you can keep refining and keep working on them. Keep trying to make them more compact respect political subdivision lines, deal with different communities right and I and so, and I can

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keep doing that.

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I look forward to hearing from the public on some of the senate map issues because that will I think help us get closer to where we are on the delegate map as well.

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But, but at some point, that you know the musical stopped will find a chair.

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You can keep making it better and better and better. But I know that this is not perfect, like I mentioned these Western Baltimore County District ones, I'd like to work on.

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But if you, if you have any suggestions on these maps, I'd be eager to hear them,

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discussing them discussion.

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I'm sorry. Go

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ahead. Oh, I just had a quick question going back to the shore, and on 46 be that you just confirm, which I'm sure you already did. Did you explore, Cambridge being maintained with Solsbury and excluding her log or vice versa just for locking excluding

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Cambridge for that though because I see that both of them aren't all inclusive and 4060 and I just didn't know if we could just lump just Cambridge, or just her log with portion of Saul's very.

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Yeah, you just can't. If you want to basically that's the voting rights story, right, that is, you try this population. Yeah, you can get you can get this, I mean, these are narrowly, this is a narrow 50, you know just over 50% district, and so what I'll

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just show you.

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And again, this was, this is pursuant to a court order in the 1990s okay this district exists because of a voting rights lawsuit that was filed.

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I just want to see that basically each one of these communities is absolutely critical.

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If you're going to create the majority black district. I will say that I do feel that this district that that I drawn is more constitutionally safe than the existing district and just again to show you what the way it currently exists.

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Right.

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Not only does it go up there, right, it goes all the way up to the county board air for reasons that are beyond me. Right, just to take off, so you can see the shape of that district, right, because all the way up and so now we're basically just going up here



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and in that area, there.

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Right, tried to shave off some of the other intrusions there.

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Well I agree and it looks much better, and I really appreciate that and just wanted to confirm just so that people watching now who want to testify leader can definitely go for.

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Yeah, and I think that this is, you know, I obviously have not looked at any political data in this area, but this is a, a kind of, when we do the racial polarization analysis right this is, is the district which is almost you know on the cusp, but that's

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because it was, you know, the evidence that underlay that court decree was that the red there's a lot of racially polarized voting in here and that only a district like this is going to be one where African Americans have an equal opportunity to like

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the candidate of choice, which is the requirement under section to the Voting Rights Act.

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And thank you.

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I had some, some brief comments here I certainly want to thank Professor facility for giving us these maps and revising it that listening and I'm quite impressed that we've been working hard, and I know you work in the middle of night with that so certainly

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press up on that thank you for that. And I want to say to my fellow Commissioners that are remain forever flexible and willing to listen and to consider all of the arguments that will be made.

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So I'm very very interested in what the public is going to say in reaction to whatever we put out for him. It's very unfortunate that we did not get more input from the citizens and that's unfortunate but maybe they'll come forward, we have our last round

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starting a Wednesday. So let me say that first of all, I do believe in a mixed system right now that's my personal view and I think the government has said, were necessary and appropriate this make those single member districts so I'm certainly willing

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to consider that.

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I want to say that I do agree with the Voting Rights Act and way it's required that we have single member, I think we go and do that.

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And I'm listen very carefully to what the professor said in his conversation with our advisor.

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GLORIA And based on that, Professor, I certainly agree that starting off with Prince George's County there has to be some adjustments in Prince George's County.

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There has to be some single member districts to again take care of the Voting Rights Act and so forth. So, I believe that, and push George's county and certainly should be a single member of district and 33 a, as you have proposed it and 64% Latino around

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the Langley Park area. I think that should clearly be single member to allow the Latino community to get a fair opportunity to get some elected the also in 33.

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See, again, that's a chillin area was 50%, Latino, I think that also should be a single member district at 33 c 34 a, on a revised map is the Riverdale area which is 54% Latino I think that should be a single member districts so I'm, I'm prepared, certainly

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to agree that 33 a 33 C, and 34.

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A certainly be single member district so from that standpoint in but Gary County.

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Again, that the whole.

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and when I say it has worked.

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I mean that it has resulted in a number of minorities in Montgomery and in Prince George's County, and women who have been elected, I'm not sure what I want to change that, for example.

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In, Charles County. We have a senatorial district that has two African American women who were elected in the multi member district one African American male.

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And so I'm not sure why we want to change from a loyalty member to single member districts when it is worked from that standpoint, and the same thing in my Gmail account the overall is work in most of the county.

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on that but it has resulted in a number of Asian and Latino communities in our delegates around the end of government county and, again, my position. Lisa right now is that if it's not broken.

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Why, fix it. So, again, there are certain the districts to protect the Latino that and to comply with the Voting Rights Act, they should be a single member I'm amenable to that, but I'm not prepared to do it all over the state.

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Because again, multi member has work in certain areas. So that's my comment so Walter.

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Since the church has introduced this issue.

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I know that we discussed it at some links before, but we do not hear from all the members and I would like to invite all of the members to have their, their turn if they would like.

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If you are reluctant I might makki we really do want to hear from everyone on what may be the single issue that we find a TARDIS to agree about so anyone like to start off that discussion.

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You may have to do like you do in school blah water.

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Nicole there's okay.

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Krishna rocks I think his mission is last week as well, but I do believe it should be a hybrid of both single member districts where necessary to maintain opportunity, and some equity in order to have representation, as we do now.

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I'm not everywhere but I believe a hybrid make sense, if you have it now, and we are redrawing their lives to make sure that we're following the guidelines that he has, I don't think that we need to go, extreme go one way or the other.

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Because it's working for our state.

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And so I think we need to look at as a whole. And so that's where I stand, I believe we should have a hybrid of single MLT.

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what just make a good time of Maria I asked, Maria to prepare a slide with the language of the governor's order because I don't think we've looked at it word for word and it probably is important for us to decide what we think of a couple of the words

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What I've got. I've got an open on a separate screen is ok thanks

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legislative district she'll be a part two to the extent possible and consistent with the Commission's other duties and responsibilities subdivided into single member don't tell it the districts.

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To me, and I could not anticipate my whole argument you've heard of it before and you know that on this particular issue, even if the judge and I agree on nearly everything else.

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We never quite managed to agree on this. To me, aside from the marriage in itself of giving people representation that is closer to the people. And that better can reflect the differences in local communities, and all the other advantages that have led

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other states to help single member districts, we've got this language, and to the extent possible, is a separate clause from consistent with it.

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It doesn't say to the extent we would like it doesn't say to the extent that seems as if it would be okay. It really is to the extent possible; we have to do this unless it runs into the muscle becomes inconsistent with our other duties and responsibilities.

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Now how I interpret that.

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We have other duties and responsibilities. If.

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And I think the clearest one is the voting rights act if for some reason and I haven't seen this but if for some reason the voting required us to do. Remember district, I would certainly be one of our responsibilities and blind which will clearly indicate

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using multi member districts for that. But these other things.

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I worry that we're not articulating a clear principle that would explain why we're doing it in some counties but not others. I worry that we're not doing it, to the extent possible, if we carve out whole large con is some of the largest population areas

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instead. I worry that when we go back to the people in Maryland, and we try to explain why. Charles was done one way in California. Another one was done one way and Frederick another.

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We need something better than just, you know, we felt that it had worked there it this language doesn't say, to the extent that it isn't working there, it says to the extent possible.

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I'll get off my soapbox right now because I know some of us know that some of you should be provoked to get in at this point.

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Jonathan what can we hear from you since McHenry County has specifically been brought up and you did have a little bit to say about it last time I think about North America.

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Hadn't mail like it said Gummer county now is entirely the multi member districts, and I definitely see there's a shift where maybe some of the districts could do a single member now, but I think keeping a mix is the most practical thing to do because

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you're now dealing against. I don't know how many 3040 years of history of having multi member districts, that's a drastic change for some of these areas.

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And if you go to make that shift.

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People aren't going to like it.

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And I know from here in Montgomery county there is a.

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It definitely has helped in terms of representation in the state legislature. So, How do you mean that if I could.

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The judge touched on that. There have been a number of women and minorities elected who otherwise wouldn't have been, um,

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I just see it as it's, it's too big of a shift too quickly to go from having multi member districts to having single member districts, all at once.

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I just, I think you really need to take it, district by district.

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If I can speak again on this you guys heard from me last time.

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I'm a big supporter because I think it's the right thing to do. I think one person should get to have.

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I elect their individual representative they should not be electing three to the House of Delegates it, there's no way to say that that's a fair vote. I've talked a lot to a number of people and looked at this and what I'm finding is anecdotally, most people think that if they elect to that's the way it is across the whole state.

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If they elect one they kind of think oh that's the way it is, if they elect three they kind of think well that's the way it is. They don't have. I haven't found anybody other than someone who is involved heavily in politics or, you know, is a real political

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aficionado that has any idea of the. I call it crazy quilt way of representation for our house of delegates is elected. I also have noted that the ballots, an issue of a ballot, let's say you have a, you've got three seats all at large.

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How does an independent, get on that ballot in most of those in those places where there's a multi member district but I have seen it publicized? And I know I'm not supposed to work but I've seen it publicize that the political parties in the state are

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already pulling together, their collective slates of delegates to run together.



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I think as a voter I'm gay I get a piece of information on all of the different delegates. And if you've got maybe nine or 15 people to sort through on a ballot.

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I'm not certain that it is always fair for women and minorities to stand out in these large crowds on these ballots, even if they were to make the ballot so I'm going to say again that I think for the entire state.

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It should be one person gets one vote to elect a person to the House of Representatives, and no more votes than that.

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Well commissioners.

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Don't let me call on here. Walter I am, I think I said my name my position, last time we met, and I reference the governor's executive order about our charge.

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And I don't want to echo what you said about our preference but about our charge, knowing that there may be times when we have to use multi member districts because of the Voting Rights Act, but other than that.

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My, my, my feeling is that this is why we're on this commission, we're following the executive order so we have to respect that and there may be times where it's not possible, but generally I think our charges to look at single member districts,

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had a chance to speak.

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Yeah, know the risk of asking me or maybe commenting on something very naively or.

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I just, I'm trying to understand if what we're trying to solve is not a problem. we can, that the redistricting dolls versus like I'm going to ask something that may be done but if one person can make three votes.

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Why isn't it limited to them only making the one vote, even if it's three multi member districts like maybe the voting process as the Jenna and maybe that's not the forum for this discussion but that's my, I'm just, I'm not making the connection.

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That's why I wonder if it's a dunk, maybe you guys are smarter than me about how this president but like if I get to choose three. Why am I, can I only bought for one and say, out of these three you can only vote for one of these nine you're going over

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This is a very rich area because systems that put several.

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And you see this sometimes with town councils and so forth.

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You know, the way that we're looking at here which is you vote for the number of offices star is not the only way that people thought and if we were in Ireland or in Cambridge, Massachusetts, or in Australia, we would be given different ways in which

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we might be able to cast preferential vote so we might be able to in some other way do other than just the same number of votes, as there are people in Maryland, we However, this is the way we've got and our commission can't change that so.

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So I would just said, we don't have to worry about things that we can't change the, This isn't going to change anytime soon. In Maryland but it might be good as it did.

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But in the meantime, we need to assume that the current thought of the rules of that sort. Just stay for as long as our mouth is going to be understood.

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Right. And so anyway, given that, you know, again I understand where the conundrum is here in terms of trying to, I guess,

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reconcile the concern of like marriage bringing up with one person, one vote and making it uniform. And that same time when you have multi member districts.

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You know, you might create opportunities for a portion of a district to get represented by a person, and Canada of choice for, for example, perhaps, so that becomes, you know, preferential favorable in that scenario.

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But in the end, I think, between the charge that Dr Hetherington references and there's a fairness aspect to the one person, one vote that, that leads me back to, you know, if we can do single member delegates and that probably makes more sense in my

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Then, the fact that if you get three opportunities to vote, and somebody else doesn't, then there's an inherent aspect of fairness that I'm wondering is being violated in some way or being adhere to in some way.

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Violence along strong word but.

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I will mention a court case that I stumbled across by chance, well not by chance I was googling the relevant words but from North Carolina when I was trying to discover what courts had had to say about multiple multi member districts, and most of the

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challenges to multi member districts have been over the fact that they've, so often operated against minorities, but in this case the court ruled on a completely different argument which was that the North Carolina just like Maryland doesn't mix it did

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some similar member districts and it did some multi member districts. And the argument that the person made in court was that it was a it was unconstitutional way on a fairer to health difference between different North Carolina citizen, some of them

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got cast multiple quotes from God cast only one road with I think as in Maryland no particular rhyme or reason as to why they were treated differently.

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So when it went up to the North Carolina Supreme Court.

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And again, they, they ruled on their state constitution's equal protection clause which might be different from the Maryland one or Maryland might not have one.

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So just keep that in mind. But they wrote that it was an equal protection violation. To do that unless there was a compelling state interest for why the districts were handled differently, and in later proceedings, the state could never demonstrate

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such a compelling interest in treating some of its voters different with and other it's voters. And so multi member districts died in North Carolina and I've never come back.

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But that interested me because it takes it away from some of the things that we can, it means the courts have actually recognized what Mary and Jay and I have talked about in our different ways, which is that it's very hard to explain to Marylanders was

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some of them get the one vote and some of them get three, we can argue all day about what they would rather be in the position to get three and be on three committees, or whether we'd rather get the one vote and help someone who is much more directly

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responsible to us, but whichever way is better.

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It seems to me an equal protection violation, to give people a different deal on this, which kind of dealt with it.

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We haven't heard from Kim, or also what am I think hasn't waiting tonight.

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I can speak up, and I would like to thank the public because I've been very enlightened from some of the aspects during testimony that they given regarding single and multi-member districts, and I see the pros and cons with both.

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And I even wrote down on the 23rd of June, there was a gentleman who identified himself as a political scientist and it was very good testimony, and I noted that.

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Now with that being said his testimony was based on single member districts and reasons behind that. But I think this discussion is almost irrelevant if we take into what we're being charged with by the governor to support a single member districts and

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and do our due diligence.

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Unless, like you said, voters' law, some sort of requirement necessary to create a multi member district. So I do think that this is a relevant topic if we just continue on for single member.

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Why am I thank you, you may be the only one?

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Any comments or

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the same train of thought as Jay from a problem-solving standpoint, multi member districts allow for multiple people to represent a certain area where we may have three different backgrounds and expertise, man wants some person who has a track on education

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and considering that commits on that committee of another person will may be technically sound, and can sit on a different committee yet someone else will not understand economics, you can sit on you know some other committee and now would allow that

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district to have some more representative and solve multiple problems at the same time.

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I will say, understand arguments on both sides.

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The pros and cons to each other. It kind of reminds me of a conversation I had with all wise men about how to split pick your spouse, all I'm gonna give you a headache, just pick the one is gone, give you at least in my head.

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I just think it's whatever's best for that particular area, and I know the area that I live in, I believe, You know, St. multi-member districts would best benefit know where I live in the problems that we face in my community

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and Walter again.

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I would just like to probably oh wait to hear more from the public in his area, I don't read the order as restricted, as, as indicated here I said to the extent possible that in my mind does not say all.

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It certainly shows a preference for a single member, and I agree with that. And the number of citizens who testified all state, one thing.

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But we also heard in certain areas like in the large, large counties like Baldwin County and Gumtree that people will prefer, and it was a split, people prefer multi member, and as I said before, I haven't totally made my mind up I'm not rejecting

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of mostly single yeah whatever I'm not.

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This is no more I just gave you my inclinations from that standpoint also Walter I got your email. I read that opinion that you see it and just let you know I'm the professor, you have no chime in.

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Still like when he said, it depends. and that case of North Carolina was 2002.

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So case, almost two decades ago, and it is true that back then that multi-member was used by the folks in North Carolina to deprive minorities have a representation.

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So it was a different situation Merlin is different, you know right now. And then also, Merlin is not bound by the North Carolina constitution.

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Professor can now state that we not when we say relevant to us, and the circumstance and cheated world, so I would call on the professor to go back and talk about what he said before, it depends

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on the one put you on the spot, but I'd rather be put on the spot, I should say that that sentence is the one most frequently uttered by law professors right I could, I could say it depends for almost any question you asked me.

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So let me just say, from my perspective how I approach this, which is that I will draw a lead help you draw and legal plan no matter whether it's mostly member districts are single member districts right, I will draw the one of the good things that since

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we're not dealing with incumbents or partisanship here that often ends up being a constraint on some of that but whatever the commission decides with respect to multi member districts for single member districts I will assure you that whatever plan emerges

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will comply with the voting rights act in the Constitution. Both Maryland and, and the Federal Constitution.

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So, these questions of whether you know whether multi, multi-millionaires are better or worse in certain areas, right, you all understand the arguments it's a question as to how you interpret your charges to whether those are permissible or not, it is

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certainly the case that you will end up splitting places like Gaithersburg and Rockville if you go to, you know, single member districts. Then, if you stuck with both the member districts in addition you get some of those Western Baltimore districts are

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the shapes they are because in order to comply with the Voting Rights Act that's, that's the, the shape of majority minority districts and actually, just to be clear to unpack them, right, to make sure that they are, you know, providing an equal opportunity

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for African Americans to light the candidates of choice.



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And so, and then as the judge mentioned as we're going through Prince George's Montgomery and even the eastern shore, they're going to be some areas where single member districts are legally required.

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And that's because that the Voting Rights Act will require the breakup of some single member districts. And so that's what I say it depends. Those are all of the different factors that you can sort of put into the mix, about the costs and benefits, and

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then also the interpretation of your charge, with respect to single member districts and Mary and Mary has a good point. You know we told her last week that I really can't refute the idea that when you have some people with three.

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Three delegates and some voting for one that it is on a face that seems unfair.

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But that's what goes on right now because we do have a mixture in a president the united states, and of course, the other argument Marius you heard one person who argued for single member he said, if you're going to do multi then everybody should have

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multi, and so I don't know what your position would be if we go, all with Balti, as opposed to a mix, whether that would change it. I know you favorite scene.

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Well, you know, I understand that, but again, what's wrong with making all of the districts, to the extent possible, Marty, it goes, contrary to the order to the governor's executive will understand that, but these are just things I'm just doing it right

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now. I want to make it very clear. I have not totally made up my mind yet.

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At this point, whether we want to have mostly a single member, except to the extent, with multi is required. I'm going to listen.

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But right now my explanation right now is that we should do a hybrid, so Cheryl said, and weird works and has worked and resulted in

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minorities, women elected, I just don't see the need to change up that circuit would be the jurisdictions and I'm for me with I don't know Baltimore county that will Doodle, and I've admired government County, and there was a delegation it's been forever

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abroad and Prince George's County question if someone can answer it not be political.

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We're really talking about these representatives should represent about 43,000 people, not 131,000 or, you know, the same as the senator, they're not senators, their representatives and yeah, they're being elected by the same general population that'll

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x one senator.

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But if we were to say, okay, so if this, if that population that elect senators, how well have women and minorities done in the upper house in Maryland and achieving positions in the Senate.

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Gay those numbers last time I don't have my notes.

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Okay, those numbers last time I don't have my notes. I know we had numbers for house.

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I had women also search for, well, the 47 senators it's, is anyone because I haven't looked because I specifically did not want to look at things like that.

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Can someone say that that 130 that same number of people have done really well electing minority and women senators.

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Well, we can get that information but again though, because that's the same group that is electing these individuals, even though there are electing three.

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I still stand that one single member districts would benefit and be equal and fair across the entire state.

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I'm just a quick Chuck, and I believe that I'm 47 states senators in Maryland 15 are women, which is a pretty good ratio he would.

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Does anyone know whether the number of women in the House of Delegates is higher or lower than 45, that would be proportional equivalent, but I'm curious question is very good?

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I've never thought about asking it, but the fact is that women have been doing well and legislative races were sliding is not an issue that namely the, you know, we know that this is an argument that as part of splitting the, they will try to be balanced

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They will try to be balanced by gender, to some extent, and yet in the senate where that isn't an issue, you do have nearly one third female representation which I can say is a lot better than the US House districts from Maryland words.

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If I recall correctly zero.

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Move on to House of Delegates Walter, how many women I have 147 IRK, if you, if you all are talking about something else for a couple of minutes I can scan down that list but I could do the Senate was fairly quickly.

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This is a slight Change of subject, but I wanted to follow up with Professor personally about an issue that we've talked about but haven't quite nailed down our terms, I think, which is, he said that single member districts for larger municipalities, like

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it was Bergen and Rockville. And I could add Frederick without would put split. The city is now.

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What I thought was meant by split was something that different than that, for example with Baltimore we have 16 districts entirely confined within the city limits of Baltimore, which just not manda Baltimore is split and changing them into triple member

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districts would not doing anything about splitting it.

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I realized that some of the Rockville Gaithersburg and Frederick, the State Senate districts include places that are not in the municipalities, but it just seems to me to be slightly different use of the word I would also point out that all three of those

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There are significant reasons related to minority political achievement, why you would not want to make them a triple member district the East Rockville and you know that can get his birth district has significant differences in Hispanic concentration

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between the three portions of it in Frederick County, you're not going to get a majority minority district unless you do single member district and because it will be the middle of the three that would be the minority majority of districts so it.

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And maybe that takes care of all the municipalities that are big enough for this issue actually to come in, I'm still just sort of curious and, in principle, whether it comes this flooding when the city is too, so good for you can't help it.

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Well, I mean, look, whether it counters flooding, we all understand what's going on here which is that if they have a district is so small and it can contain an entire city, then it will shift there will be two districts that that have parts of that city

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Look, if we had one district and all of Maryland right that nothing is split right and so it doesn't hurt them.

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What you're saying yeah but that's part of the just part of the question which is, you know, I mean, philosophically that the argument for multi member districts besides some of the representation issues that you were talking about race, gender

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and the like is that there's something about the larger community that needs that needs representation in a larger district that distinguishes that from what would happen if you broke it up into a single member districts.

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Now of course as you're saying in the cities that you were mentioning as well as the ones that I was talking about with respect to the Voting Rights Act.

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If you are. If your community can only be one third of a district that if you put in a multi member district, you will be out voted right and it'll, it'll you will be too small.

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And so, by, you know, carefully breaking them up into single member districts sometimes if there are those minority can be a nice, they can then be the majority in a delegate district, but I think all of us understand that.

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And the question is just you know whether you know how you all proceed for costs and benefits throughout Maryland.

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Maria sent me an update saying that there are 60 women in the House of Delegates which does indeed mean that women are doing a little bit better proportionally in the House of Delegates than in the Maryland State Senate.

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So to that extent.

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I'm Walter let me just throw out this because apparently, we still have not quite coming together as to whether we want to issue a tentative map or final proposal map but it would it be possible to have two different versions of one single member and the

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other bulky if we not able to get non people to also seven demo that possible that the public feast on that and give us comments suggestion as a result of last week's meeting.

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I think that a lot of confusion, and then bewilderment I think people would ask people would think we'd raise more questions than way down. So I think if we thought out to mouth.

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And I will say there are some Commission's around the country that have voted out to mouth because they couldn't get agreement. And

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I, you know, I don't think I've been happy with the results I think the public has gotten

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has, as if not lost trust in the process at least hasn't been as confident I think it's, it's worth trying to search for.

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You know what common ground we can find, rather than

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put out two different maps.

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I think it would.

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And I'm sorry to disagree with you but that you would lose confidence that we did look at, and consider all possibilities with having to present it to them to look at it compare contrast and make their own conclusions.

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I'm, I'm inclined at this point to present to the public. The maps that we've looked at tonight with the single member districts with the idea that there are areas that are going to be recommended for multi member districts and listen to the public's

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opinion, rather than issuing two separate maps with single member districts, and then doing all the other ones across the state with multi member, I would be confused by that.

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I think we've gotten to a point following the executive order. I'm mindful of the pros and cons of single member vs. vs multi-member realizing that there's probably going to be areas for.

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And I think we said this from beginning to go with the single member as the executive order has asked us to do. There are going to be circumstances where it's not going to make sense.

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But, you know, I think what we have tonight is we're in compliance with the voter rights act.

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I would have to have good justification to create a whole other set of maps, besides what we've worked towards. I really would like to hear what the public's opinion is on this, and especially if they're living in an area where they think that they need

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to have a multi member district and justification for that. That would give me more insight because I think we could go back and forth on this topic.

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And we do need to have something to present to the public.

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So, that's my opinion,

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I think, wherever we turn out.

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After the public turns and whatever we want to put it on and I agree with the candidate's approach which is the sense of our meeting suggests that we should sort of tell the public that this is an open issue, and that they should assume that our discussion

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will continue and that some areas of the mouth may be turned into trouble member districts because that's a fair discussion where the commission is asking them to comment, especially on that issue might be productive it.

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You know I other comments welcome, but I had, I think that making such a statement, along with a male saying that this issue is still up in the air, consistent consensus has not been reached, and that before.

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a final vote, we would need to

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get further toward consensus is a totally fair description of what has gone on last night, and I would add one more point I come back occasionally to the.



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What I feel is the need to help criteria or standards that we articulate for wise, some part of the state was treated to one way some part. The other way, it's possible for thought I was hoping that that might emerge tonight, but there's an even better

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chance didn't emerges if we asked the public. What principles, would you use what would it be the most densely urbanized places because there are some good arguments that trouble member districts had extra advantages there and that single member districts

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don't make as much sense. Would that be the criteria or other ones, the, you know, asking the public for guidance on criteria gets us closer to that point, which I don't whichever way we resolve this.

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We need to be able to say here's why we did it that way. Among the many choices.

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Ask a question that going back to something that Dr. Persily raised earlier.

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As the map is constituted now it's individual numbers that, and in some cases that there's for all cases there's an IT. There's some cases there's an A, B and C.

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So, those, those A, B and C bundle up into a single into a potential multi member districts that is a Senate District right.

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So it's multiple delegates and an A, B and C so one delegate for a wonder be one nugget for C is that correct, yes. Each one is roughly equal population you know within a three minus 2%, right, and so they obviously they join into senate districts, and,

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but you know as you know in Maryland, you've got three member districts you've also got to member districts, then your single member districts and so you can you can slice and dice any way you want here you know so they will all be, you know, put together

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and senate districts. And then of course you can just take the senate districts and then add, you know, all of them could be multi member whether there's three representatives for each one but you can also, you know, decide if there are two-member

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districts in some places one member and another, or three and others.

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So then just to clarify, or just on its surface, the ones that share a number like 15 A, B and C, for example, that means 15 is still a senate district that district 15 for a senator.

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And so a, b and c is a delegate for each one of those. So, if you look at it, the map as it's currently constituted, you would look at it, each delegate district as a single delegate district, regardless of whether it gets bundled up but you could if

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you want to perceive it as like oh I know that I know that region, I know that area. I see a b&c being combined. And when they combined, I might get to vote for all three of them rather than just being voting only for a or only for b or only proceed.

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I can theory could be so that you could.

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I guess arguably the public could be looking at it and making their own throwing their own conclusions about an area that they may live in or they may be very familiar with that says, okay, those are the ones I see that bundled together, and being multi

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or bundled together by a senate district but still being single.

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Delegate districts. That's all I'm just trying to say like, if the map as it's going to cost you to if we were to go to go to, you know, publishing with it sort of speak for public consumption, then you know I think it's still accomplishes potentially

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what we're trying to accomplish for today and get to, you know, get to Wednesday's meeting and, and then people will still who are that inclined will sit there then add together or look at it via graphically and say okay I'm keeping these together or

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I'm understanding that these could be together and also be multi potentially.

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I don't know that you need to create a second map that then draws us together and says it's a multi or shades that in and says multi single multi single single multinational multi, you know, all kinds of combinations.

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I don't know I'm just trying to reduce the confusion. By, whether a second map really helps. Between now and Wednesday.

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The one thing I'll say they're just from Stanford where y'all can help me which is the.

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We can combine those delegate districts in any way you want, even though we have 15 a 15 be 15 See if you all see a different combination of three delegate districts that works right, we can do that.

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I'm assuming it abides by the other criteria in the constitution governance order. And so, right now I think of these delegate districts as building blocks right they're building blocks for senate districts they're building blocks for potential multi

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member districts as you all require, I mean the way I've done it now is the assumption is, you know, we started with the senate map and broken up into single member districts and now I'm going to have to because they're not going to map on to each other.

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If we keep with the map that I proposed today. Then we're going to have to rebuild them again. And I'm sure that as I see that there might be some small changes, I'll make to make sure that you know continuity is still there and all kinds of other things.

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but thank you suggested this recombination of a couple of times, and I think I know why you haven't had any takers why none of us have actually proposed to change the Minecraft designs are around differently, which is.

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Is that the constraints on not crossing county lines and respecting municipalities dictate so many of the answers, and we basically kind of know about the areas that namely particularly Western Prince George's County in western Baltimore County where

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you voting rights I fishes are very significant and where you might want to consider doing that.

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I'm speaking for myself, and I'll bet for some others too.

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If there is a serious pra issue reason to reconfigure the Minecraft blocks or Lego blocks so whatever that and tell us what those are and otherwise we're just so glad to be here without part of the process, without having to go back and see whether it

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could have been improved some, some tiny additional amount.

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Yeah, I'm actually. So, as I go through, I mean if I, if you all like the delegate map as presented tonight.

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Then I will.

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I mean, first of all, I want you to marinate on it for a little while really look at the districts because I'm sure there are things as you go into the zoom into the streets that there are little things that that should be changed.

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But if you are once, you get comfortable with the new delegate districts, it makes sure that the originally conceived configuration of the senate district still makes sense.

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So for example, one thing I was just checking is whether the - you know - the changes we made to the eastern shore to deal with that water discontinuity issue.

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Does that affect which districts can be, you know, paired up and it turns out yeah, it's not a problem, we can, we can still have that kind of North Eastern Shore district that does that.

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Similarly, in, in, in, in Montgomery county. It does not look like that for example I was wondering whether because of the changes that were made, whether the district that's on the DC border needs to be changed but know that that's going to be fine as

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well. and the Rockville district is perfectly fine to that's the kind of thing that I was looking at is to make sure that the originally conceived combinations, once you move the kind of internal guts of the senate district around that it still makes

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sense. And then it's still continuous. I mean, for example, the, the, the northwestern once we made these changes in northwestern Prince George's County, right, it does, it will affect the racial populations of the senate districts as well.

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And so that's just something to keep in mind.

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But, you know, I've obviously continued to check to make sure that this would meet with comply with the Voting Rights Act and feel comfortable saying that but that's those are the multiple variables I'm keeping in my mind as we break it up into single

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member districts and then rejoin them again for the Senate.

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I really want us to keep the senate districts that we voted for already intact. I mean the minor adjustments like the little piece of Baltimore County that's move between, you know one district and another, you know, those are minor but the overall

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district things we worked so hard to get. I would not want to open that up as a recombine any of the house districts any way you want them. I don't judge them just to be clear, though, that senate districts, several of the senate districts are majorly

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as a result of some of these changes that I made in Montgomery and in Prince George's County, the county splits did not know the county splits or not I, you know, like maybe what I think is major is also not so major you know I mean obviously I'm going

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in and if I'm spending hours on something that I think of it as major but to the naked eye, it might not be.

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But yeah, I didn't, I didn't. If anything on the county splits I eliminated several counties splits that existed in the previous map and so I just, you know, I mentioned that what happened in Carroll County what happened in Kent County right.

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So every time I go through, I try to figure out if there's a way to eliminate one more split but yeah no that's not a problem does all and seen improvements to me so I have no, I wouldn't want to give open an option, like you were saying, Have you know

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we could reconfigure them all. I don't want to open that option.

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I agree with Mary and maybe we can have another chance for anyone to step forward.

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I tried to follow all of the changes that Professor personally.

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From the outside, including particularly word require changes and senate districts and yeah it was, it was a little more than I had expected. I didn't say anything that seemed wrong, and I didn't say anything that seemed like a complete rethinking of the

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senate one, I think, and this may echo something Mary says that having agreed unanimously on the setup mouth.

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of them as technical amendments if any of us dislike a particular change.

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We should see that as a red flag of maybe not doing it because we really want to keep that unanimity about the senate map. We want to make sure that no one of us, nine are bothered by a change in the senate map so if anyone seeing your part of the state

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or seeing someone else's part of the state was bothered and thought that the Senate lines had changed to drastically or maybe not an unwise direction.

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And, you know, just either now or soon in the next couple days do speak up because I as I say unanimity is precious and we don't want to start making people feel uncomfortable with something that we add online photo for the second month.

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Where are we at with the next steps here for tonight. Well, what I was going to ask you, and Alex about which is,

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Is there a feeling that we should? Well I let me let me just ask.

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Do you think that tonight is premature to have a vote Do you think that the option of a great big asterisk saying these maybe single member districts, but that is up in the air and is not resolved?

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Do you like that well enough to proceed with it tonight or do you think we should call back and have more thought about it and reconvene on the topic?

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Well, here's my thing, water we can do the astronauts on multi member also,



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as opposed to the singular, but I just daddy I like you, you'll think it's a good idea. I just like would like to propose a draft so submitted that get reaction from the public but the same as, again, I have agreed with the professor that Prince George's

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has to have some single member districts there's no question about, as I mentioned with those were 33 and possibly 34 eight. So I agree with that, but I would like to see two proposals submitted and get reaction and then hopefully we'll get where we will

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will be, or the one. The second proposal can be centrally all single member, with the exception of those areas that those of us have express our concern I've heard what Gumtree I've heard, Prince George's I've heard Charles, and the Baltimore years, but

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everything else can be single member, but to me, the options should be out there for the public to comment on either and to see where they come.

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That's my view.

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I would um, I would just like to remind everybody to everyday citizens have with don't even know what redistricting years.

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So I think it's much information that we can present to them with explanations, and like I said allow them that opportunity to formulate their own opinion.

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I think you know that no leans more towards allowing them to buy into the process of what we do can be,

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you know, William I think we would have to go back to that discussion we just had a little bit earlier about the criteria for the rationale, why some, some areas get multi member and some don't.

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And I don't know, I hear the locations.

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But, you know, if I were thinking wow, you know, how come I only have one person that's going to represent me and somebody else and other part has three, what's the rationale for that.

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I think that has to be made clear why we would do that. I'm inclined to go with the maps we have and have the asterisk that these are where they are, this moment in time, but we want to hear from you.

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And you tell us public why you think your area needs to be multi member. And, as opposed to single and just give us the rationale for it, because then I think that might be enlightening not only to us but other members of the public who might say,

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Well, you know, that's fine but I'm okay with having single representative so I would suggest just because we do have these hearings scheduled. We have to present something to them.

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If we were to have another map with omit multi-member that means we would have to be working on that tomorrow, because we would have to see that, before it goes out, Wednesday, and it has to be posted prior to that so I'm just thinking and timing so I,

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more inclined to say the map we have now will present, we have an asterisk about, you know, this, this is, this is the way it was put out adhering to all the things that Professor facility talked about tonight.

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Voting Rights Act, 2% for senate 3% for the legislative districts. And then here.

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If you think you the public think it should be something different for the area living. Tell us the district and tell us the why, I would be curious to hear them why.

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And then, then we decide, you know, the hybrid is the way to go. Fine.

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For certain areas but I think we need justification for the rest of the members of the, of the state of Maryland. you know why they would have something different.

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So, if I may just add one real quick thing for the commission and that is that it's just a reminder of how these maps are posted to the website.

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The Senate map that you've approved the congressional map that you've approved. They don't say final maps, they say final proposal draft maps and the reason for that is that the whole purpose of round three is for you to get input from the public so

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that you can make any changes that you deem appropriate during round three or at the end of round three. So I just wanted to make sure that you are aware that you all are aware that that is how it is worded on the website because, and then we even have

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a disclaimer, these are not final maps. These maps can still be changed. I just want to make sure you guys were aware that that is how it is, is notified that the notice goes out to the public on those pages.

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All right, thank you for that clarification, Kristin

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If you turn that into a motion I would second that we publish where we are and does the three, the three maps.

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Walter as co-chair has to present it as emotion. I'm sorry.

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I still don't understand quite what you could make that suggestion I had was that we present to the public, the map that we have been discussing tonight as is.

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Kristin has already said that its proposed, and that we go forward with presenting that and asking the public to if you think that area that you're in, or maybe another area that state should be multi member as opposed to single member.

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Tell us the area you're talking about, and then tell us the why.

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And I guess I'll explain why I'm not calling for emotion just yet, which is that I have not sensing the conversation that we are there as far as all nine of us or even seven of the nine necessarily being willing to vote for the motion.

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And so I'd rather have more discussion to explore whether there's simply is no consensus for that motion or whether it's some alteration in it would make it more appealing.

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And again, you know to judge Williams, I doubt the other option is.

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I would guess to postpone an attempt at a you know forward to a later meeting I you know I don't think I mean I don't think a promotion to adopter Muslim member district Malcolm is likely to pass and I don't think that I'm just guessing but emotion to

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adopt two mouths. I don't see the seven or nine votes for that either so we may be at a stage where we want to go on and think on it or it could be that there is a way, we haven't articulated yet that gets us over the hump so again I wanted to invite touch

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Williams to tell us where he thinks we are on this.

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Yeah, thank you read us correct me a Walter I we originally said that Wednesday's public session will address the two maps that we agreed upon the senatorial district setting congressional, and we were still working on the delegation, so we don't have

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have that for them. On Wednesday we can continue to try to work and resolve something I, you know, I think we should discuss it a little more I'm not sure I do remember Todd, and I think, on a practical level that having the congressional and senate mouse

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And I think, on a practical level that having the congressional and senate maps gives the public plenty to chew on. Especially if any of them are watching tonight and realized they can also comment on the Muslim redistricting issues, so we are not making

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the hearings, less useful.

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By, if we follow that course I think it, it's it most closely reflects the actual state of the meeting as we say in quickness circles to postpone and attempt to decide, until a later meeting such as Wednesday.

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So, just so that I'm just real quick. I'm sorry, I'm professor, I'm just real quick on this. To clarify, we will you will not make a vote this evening on legislative maps going into round three we will not have a legislative map, would you guys like to

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reserve time during Wednesday after the public testimony to continue this conversation and essentially have an additional working session on this topic, or do you want to create a separate evening, this week to discuss legislative Christian until we out

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on that working session without running into problems with public notice.

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Now if we still have, we still have 24 hours in the agenda is do 24 hours. And so we can just add to the agenda.

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An additional working session on legislative maps, is that agreeable to members or Does anyone else come out that, That sounds like a good compromise to me.

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So first we're going just because I'm co-chairing or cheering that one we're going to do the hearing first, other than the congressional and the Senate.

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Then once or whatever else, somebody wants to talk about. And then once we hear from everybody we're going to say, Okay, now we're going to go into work sessions that the process.

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Okay.

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Can I just ask him a little bit about the timing here? So, assuming that that that happens for Kristin what is the next opportunity for people to offer comments on the delegate map, after Wednesday, the following Wednesday.

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So there are will they'll be three. So that's a long time, so that's that'll be when we, when we end up.

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So hope. The goal here is that at the end of this Wednesday's meeting to have a delegate map to approve. Yes. Okay, down the hill or delegate snaps.

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All right.

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And I, part of what I'm trying to think is how the kind of dialogue between the senate map and that document, this is not easy. You know struggling to think about how, because someone's going to have some suggested changes on the senate map, and then

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we have to think about how that's going to have an impact on the delegate map as well. And so, but just so everyone here is aware of how I'm thinking about it what I would do so well, will have, I will ask any of these comments come in on the senate map.

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I think it's important.

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You decide. During that working session, what changes you might want to make to the Senate map that then will be imported into the delegate map, and then we will build, we will, whether it's multi members single member districts.

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We will then build up the delegate map into a new senate map following Wednesday's here have written testimony necessarily and I mean the spoken testimony during the hearing as a fixed set, but then we've invited everybody to also send in written and

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that that can come in at any time.

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Let me, let me express concern about the possibility that we might change the setting them up more than once. In response to, you know, public opinion.

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If it weren't for the fact that we've got this feud. And I call them technical corrections and also things relating to draft on the delegate map correctly.

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Those are technical corrections largely based on our own.

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it could be the advice we get third week will be much better than the advice we get the first week and we don't want to keep tinkering and tinkering and TechCrunch.

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Again, you know the public is going to be confused and it's going to be dealing with old maps, we, we should absolutely hold on to a minimum number of times we concur with a map we've already adopted unanimously.

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I'm with you on that the problem is when you release the delegate map, it will be legally irreconcilable with the senate map.

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And so, so you just you will have two maps that cannot be simultaneous you. You make it sound dramatic, but what happens is that when we glide into our full line remember consensus on the delicate map and realize that we really were arguing about nothing

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important all along because now we agree. At that point, there will be little technical changes required in the setup and we will hold the vote, right then and there, so there won't be legally inconsistent maps, we will tie the two votes to each other.

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If I can ask you to proceed your question after the hearings completed. And we've gotten all the comments are we going to have another final vote on what is up.

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We have our final. Actually we have the three Wednesdays with the hearings all throughout the month of October. And we have a working session.

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This is for noon on the 28th.



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You know, I'm just worried about this new thing because we're well not me anymore, because I retired on Friday with most people work, and just taking an hour in the middle of the day is not a good thing.

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So, just an idea that you might want to look at that at night, just not that date, but judge to answer your question, our final commission meeting is on November 3.

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So we have an opportunity during that work session to take into consideration the feedback that we've received written and oral testimony.

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All right.

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Do you guys want to do a vote right now to change the meeting on the 28th two from New six o'clock.

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That's my preference because by then we'll have everything accumulated.

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Well I've had, you know, discussions and we might, we might want to think about, maybe not now but if we, if we need to have a work session following a public session, you know, add that on that might be a possibility but nighttime seems to be the best

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time for people.

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So what time, what time you proposing Kate.

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Six o'clock on the 28th rather than 12 noon. Can I ask a procedural question as well then, is there an expectation and not avoiding any meeting we longer needs to be but we've almost always had business to be covered through all around two and things

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like that, that I assumed in round three every meeting would follow a quote unquote work session or some other business discussion, so why wouldn't it be every Wednesday for the whole month of October, including the 27th and then you avoid the

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the 28th. And then it's the same night, it's already together on the 27th night. And if that one is that just has to be a short public meeting or a really long following, I don't know what's going to happen, if that's the last voice of the public, we would

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still could at the tail end of it, discuss business and or work session.

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On that night, but it could be late. You can do that too, I, I would just keep that 28th is tentative, in case you need it. You don't need it and we find out we don't have any fine.

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The Night of the 28th wouldn't work for me.

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I like Jay's idea though of staying as long as we need to on following public hearing your work, and especially like the 27.

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Leave it, I'll just leave that noon sessions, it's been on the calendar on the 28th. I'll leave it on if we need it. We use it if we don't, we'll get rid of it just wouldn't make it noon.

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Yeah, that's just a matter of what you all decide.

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Okay. All right, that's fine. So right now, and so it's 28, noon.

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Yes, sir. Okay.

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Yeah, I'm like, I'm like, I prefer the six o'clock, but we'll, we'll talk about it.

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I'm like, I prefer the six o'clock, but we'll, we'll talk about it. Just to let you know I may or may not be on the meeting on Wednesday. I don't know my travel schedule is that day so I'll do my best, but I may just either call in, or I may not be able

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to make it at all. Alright thanks Barry.

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All right, of the next four I'm not gonna be able to do the 13th which is the second of the round three.

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I was gonna say if anybody else had scheduled changes if you just let, Kristin, because then we know you're expected. Yeah, that would be great. Thank you.

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and that will be important moving forward everyone just because you need to have seven people to pass them out.

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So as you move forward. If you are going if we if there are going to be votes on Final maps that you are voting upon you need seven to in support of a map.

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And so that they will be when.

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Well if you all have, if you've all made the decision to kind of handle business along the way. In October, it could be at any point and any, it could be during any of those meetings.

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You could then also have still have that on the 28th.

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The, the original purpose of the 28th was to redraw some lines, based upon round three testimony. If you all saw an appropriate change to make based on the testimony during round three.

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But it sounds like perhaps you will do that at the end of each meeting to discuss those changes. So when all is said and done, you can have those votes along the way during the meetings in October, and then utilize that date on the 28th, just to kind

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of finalize things, if need be, without necessarily having a boat that day, more of a just kind of making sure you're checking all the boxes before that final meeting on November 3.

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All right. Okay, thank you.

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And then more business or otherwise I'll entertain a motion to return for selling. Yeah, just one more thing, because I've gotten some texts from you all during this meeting.

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I will send you and make public another map book of the delegate districts as single member Delap just districts with satellite imagery on top so you can get some of the detail.

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I will do that, just with the district's about with, you know, when I printed it districts in the district and vicinity, so you can get as good a picture as possible.

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One of the problems, you know, In looking at these districts is it's sometimes difficult to figure out where the actual boundaries are, but that's a limit of an eight and a half by 11 page right and so it's, there's just sort of tradeoffs.

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In the amount of information you can put on the page, and the, the size of your screen or, or the, the paper, but that's what I'll do, just, you know, you can decide how useful it is we decide whether to do that more often with the other versions of the

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maps but this will allow you to see all hundred and 41 districts with some of the, you know streets and features highlighted.

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Are we don't think so.

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