

**Maryland Citizens Redistricting Commission
Round 3 Public Meeting
October 27, 2021**

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Good evening, everyone. Good evening. Good to see you. This is our final hearing tonight for

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Kristin so we're going to open with the slides like we did the last time.

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Oh, you know what, that's probably a good idea if not everyone has joined because we have a pretty packed house tonight.

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So we're reversing the agenda again then we're doing the meeting processes and policies and then the introduction of the Commission, right, and then I'll talk about the commission activities.

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Are you talking about tonight? Yeah.

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Tonight, you can, you don't have to, but I think briefly.

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I just highlighted a few things to remind people that this just didn't start, you know, recently, and also that it is the final and that there is a working meeting tomorrow but that it's not a public, there's no public testimony being learned it is for

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all of you to iron out any final modifications that you want to make, and that the wrap up session will be next day.

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I may have to call into tomorrow's meeting just FYI.

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Mayor I hope you had a good one too.

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I think I know that room very well that you're in.

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Right, although sometimes I, you know, when it's when it's light out longer, I just move my desk, you guys. Actually, since the redistricting process started my desk is one of those little furniture mover coaster things.

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I think I'll take them off finally and just sit with my back to the window here. Now you'll just see cars driving by every now and I do see them.

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Yeah. And unfortunately, for whatever reason, the template that we use that I kind of used in zoom is that it did not capture, or the report did not capture the template didn't capture the county, in which someone resigns for the map they want to speak

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about so we'll just going to have to kind of ask that, as we as we put someone on the screen.

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If they're not on right at six Dr. Hetherington Would you like me to go ahead and start with the, the, okay. That way we just kind of knew, they have.

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Okay, and we have, we have several speakers, whom we've heard from before as well.

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I suppose so this is all in the Facebook stuff so I got Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee tomorrow so you can certainly watch it on the web, maybe it'll be in c span I think it probably will be

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All right, it is six o'clock, I'm going to go ahead. Just real quickly and kind of start the.

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Just let us let those who are joining us know the process for this evening. Good evening and welcome to the fourth public meeting around three of the Maryland citizens redistricting commission.

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This is the final meeting of the commission at which public testimony will be accepted. This meeting is being recorded. As we begin, there are a few matters to share regarding the rules and policies for this evening's meeting, as well as some tips about

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the platform that will assist our speakers in understanding how to use the Zoom platform.

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This meeting offers Spanish interpretation to listen in Spanish, you will note that there is a box on the zoom control panel, either at the bottom or the top of your screen for interpretation, please click on that box and select Spanish.

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We also asked for speakers to remember that there is live Spanish interpretation and to speak slowly and clearly.

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There will be a three-minute allotment for speakers so that everyone who wants to speak may speak when there is about 20 seconds left of your speaking time, a screen share will come on, with a countdown timer, and we ask that you wrap up your remarks

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inappropriate speaking attire behavior or background will result in the removal of from the meeting, without an option to rejoin anyone registering after 5pm today should ask to join as a speaker in the chat section as your name may not be on the list

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of pre-registered speakers, you will not be able to share your screen, or any maps as they may be as they must be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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If you did not register to speak but want to, you can request to do so in a message to the panelists via the chat feature. There is a control bar at the bottom of your screen.

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Select chat box and send a message to the panelists, indicating your name and the county, in which you reside, the raise hand option should not be used to request to speak, speak or should ensure their name is listed properly, and if not, please change

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Speakers should ensure their name is listed properly, and if not, please change it to reflect your correct name. This is because we have to move each speaker from attendees' status to a panelist, so that they may speak.

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Please note the participants list is not public to protect the privacy of those calling in due to their phone numbers being listed in the attendee list, pre-registered speakers will go first, then chats request speakers will be called an order of their

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request speakers providing testimony, should be aware that they will be made a panelist, when it is their turn to speak, which will enable them to unmute and turn on their video or their camera.

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There may be a short delay, while the speaker screen goes from attendee to panelists. This is normal, you may see a screen message indicating that the host would like to promote you to a panelist, you should accept that by clicking the join as panelists

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button will wait about five to 10 seconds for the speaker to go live. If the speaker doesn't join will simply move on to the next speaker, and then come back to the speaker who was unable to join one speakers are finished, we must move them back to attendees

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status that may result in the speed in the speaker seeing a spinning wheel or a message that they are rejoining the meeting. You have not been removed from the meeting; it's just simply changing screens.

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We know this is a lot of information but want to assist you in understanding how this meeting will operate, so it can go as smoothly as possible. With that, I'd like to introduce you to our host for this evening.

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Dr. Kate Hetherington who serves as one of the CO chairs of the Maryland citizens redistricting commission Dr. Hetherington.

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Thank you, Kristin Good evening everyone and welcome to the final meeting of the round three update. I just would like to first of all thank all my fellow Commissioners for their commitment to this process.

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We have began we began public meetings back on May 5, and this included a series of not only the sessions that we have for the public but the working sessions so their commitment of time and energy to this process is to be commended just for everyone's

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knowledge, this is our group is a mix of Democrats, Republicans, and independents, and all of us have embraced our charge to create new district boundaries that are free from political influence and offer the opportunity for fair elections in Maryland.

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We have developed a transparent process which allows Marylanders to not only observe our groups work, but also to engage in the process. So as I say we began our meetings on May 5.

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And to date, we have received as of the last count that I looked at this afternoon at six citizen map submissions. We've hosted 33 public meetings as being the 34th.

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We've worked diligently to present the public with final propose draft maps, and we have completed the congressional and state senate maps.

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I say completed final draft proposals and expect more discussion this evening on legislative maps based on everything that we have been reading, and we have been reading and seeing a lot and we will be doing that this evening.

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We've had in the aggregate over 3100, attendees that are public meetings, and we've had social media posts that have resulted in over 42,500 impressions and reached over 50,000 people on Facebook, and for every meeting we make sure that the public knows

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that we have these meetings, press releases have been sent out and they are sent out for every meeting to over 46,000 contacts or meetings that offer live Spanish translation and closed captioning for the hearing impaired, and our promotional materials

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have been translated Spanish and distributed to the Latino community by our static advisor.

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The amount of people in each congressional state senate and legislative district is not random.

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Based on the census data which dictates how many people should be in each. And so that's determined and while the Senate and legislative districts may have a small percentage difference that congressional districts are to be drawn with the same amount

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people. We heard a lot of discussion so far and single versus multi member legislative districts, and the executive order which we received from the governor that created our commission coals for various considerations including single member districts,

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to the extent possible, that are Near, far as nearly equal in population is feasible, giving due regard for natural boundaries and boundaries of political subdivisions.

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and in drawing these districts the commission also has to take into consideration the Voting Rights Act, the Voting Rights Act protects racial and language minority groups from boots dilution.

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The purpose of round three and as I mentioned, this is the final of the fourth meeting of brown. Round three is for public to come in is for the public to comment on these maps and provide input and suggestions and we're very appreciative of the feedback

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that we have received. And we, as I said, have been reading it throughout.

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Up until probably just before this meeting because it's been significant.

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So with that, I would like to first acknowledge, Professor Persily, who has been a terrific resource for us. We call on him on all hours of the day and night to look at maps that we are considering.

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we try and make the appropriate adjustments and realize that every time we make an adjustment, it has an impact on something, some other part of the state of Maryland, but we're mindful that and trying to do the best we can and trying to be fair and open

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and listening to the public.

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So with that, I'm going to ask the members of the commission to introduce themselves. I'm Kate Hetherington. I'm a resident of Howard County and a very recent retiree, I retired as president of Harvard Community College.

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I'm going to ask the other two co-chairs to introduce themselves and then I asked the members of the Commission so Walter.

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Thank you. Okay. My name is Walter also Frederick kata. I'm a fellow with the think tech judge.

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Good evening, I'm Alex Williams I'm retired.

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A federal judge and Miami resident of Prince George's County, Maryland. Thank you, Walter, and judge Williams and now I asked the members of the commission to introduce themselves and ICJ.

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and evening I'm sure Brooks elementary school principal and our resident Baltimore County.

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Hello, Mary Clawson, a resident of Arundel County and a retired federal employee and Kim.

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Kim coming.

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I'm a longtime resident of Maryland, Eastern Shore currently reside in Dorchester county where I work at the circuit court and supervisor for whom records and licensing right Jonathan.

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I am Jonathan Westfield I'm a communications manager for research firm, and I live in Montgomery county.

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Right, thank you and William.

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William Thomas I'm a senior principal engineer for the Department of Defense, I'm also a grassroots organizer, and I live in Baltimore City.

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Right. Thank you all and again thank you for your commitment to this process and literally hundreds of hours that all of you have spent, since we began last spring.

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I think of something different than what we were going to begin with, and I believe we're going to begin with the testimony at last call we had least 20 people ready to testify.

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And then following that we will take a look at some of the submissions that we've received and have discussion or not so we will follow the public testimony with a working session, as we have done in previous sessions.

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So with that, Kristin, I'm going to ask you to introduce our first speaker place. Okay. Our first speaker tonight is delegate Bob long.

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I will say, as our speakers.

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Join I'd like for you to know that in the past we have been able to know what county you're from and what math you'd like to speak about this evening's report did not generate those items for some reason so I'd ask that as you join if you could please

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let the panel know what county in which you reside. And if there is a specific map, and you know that that number map. Number two, please let us know right when you join so that we can pull that map up for you.

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Delegate law. Yes Hi, thank you for giving this up to speak tonight from delegate Bob along for the record, I represent the sixth legislative district.

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Sixth legislative district. I've my expertise in the field that I am currently employed as I'm a real estate broker. I've been in the real estate industry for over 35 years, I've been involved in sales transactions in the sixth legislative district and

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Baltimore City and different areas for, like I say 35 years, I have been a developer, I've developed waterfront lots of developed, churches, I've been involved in real estate for many, many years.

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I have a lot of background in real estate, well look at these maps, the first thing that come to me is the communities. If you look at the difference away the lines are drawn, and one of them reference the two first is 2820 is senatorial 2020 A, B and

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C. That takes us into Baltimore City, 20, A, B and C actually combines Dundalk which is Eastern Baltimore County to Dundalk goes into arm.

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It connects into my second 28 goes into his Dundalk where I live and where I represent right now. It connects Fells Point, and that area as 20 be, it goes further down and goes over all the way into 20.

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None of the same problems, different tax base is different. I mean everything's totally different. If you look at the maps, or the weather drone.

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We have riparian rights here, and because we are waterfront community, we do have preparing and rights, and I thought about this long and hard, no place in Baltimore City to they have riparian rights and that's a right to the water.

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It's just totally different. If you look at the Essex area, they ever Perry and writes with this part of our district now.

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That would have been 43, I believe, or 43. Yeah, we 43 I have to apologize, my laptop from the state actually came back was not mine.

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Anyway 43 goes all the way into middle river which is, I understand they're also waterfront community, but it goes all when Aberdeen, and I'm just trying to figure out how in the world of these three communities have anything alike.

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Anyway, I'll see on my time slipping away, I would ask this commission to please consider not tearing our communities in half because we you know we are a tight knit community down here and we do have the same interest.

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And I want to thank you for your time and thank you for your effort.

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And for the record, I'm delegate problem. Thank you. Thank you, delicate long for your testimony.

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Now, now we can see you. Okay, you're good.

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Thank you very much for this opportunity I'm setting regatta re selling part of the sixth district of Baltimore County. Um, I kind of going to go off a little bit with maybe a delegate.

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I'm living in this district all my life. I'm seeing see a lot of differences from work, but they have compared to where we are now, six weeks or more, where do you have in the maps.

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Um, I think the proposed maps are currently drawing do not even keep together our communities. Um, matter of fact, if you see from spurs point edge narrowly to port Howard, and you see Dundalk Essex river.

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We also have. Let me go to the city line. And we have Colgate and part of Rosedale.

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There's no comparison because we have in our area we have a lot of same stories; we have the same problems.

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We have a similar successes and concerns are one of our major problems that we do have neighboring north and middle river is the major problem that we do have is a bug small bugs, we have a major problem in the area that we've been working really hard

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in our community. So that's just one of the things of the problems that we do have but the successes that we've had here we've developed a great relationship with our businesses and with our schools, especially our schools lately.

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We have done some really good work with our schools, and their drastic changes from our area compared to what you have in our map.

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So, again I won't be long, I just want to know that first and foremost I appreciate all your work that you have done, you have been working very hard and you have tried you I know you try and do the best, the numbers that time can get complicated, but

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I know you're doing your best effort but redrawing in this sense to me doesn't make any sense, because of the comparison in the city and the county. And what we have there.

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So I'm hoping more damn thing we can work together and come to a common place. And again, I can't say enough. I'm going to thank you so much for all that you've done and all the work, and I look forward to working with you very soon.

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Thank you so much.

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All right, thank you so much, Senator sailing, thank you for your testimony. We appreciate it.

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And Kristin who do we have next to speak. Our next speaker is delegate Lauren, Erica, and I'm sorry if I pronounced your name incorrectly.

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Did you call me so I couldn't hear you there? I did Yes There you are. Great. Thank you. Thank you so much for having me. Thank you all for all the work you're doing I serve on the Judiciary Committee I represent district seven, so I know a little bit

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about how long meetings can go so.

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So thanks for committing to doing this for us.

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I've gotten a good bit of constituent contact recently about the commission and some of the maps, so I just wanted to touch on a few things that folks are reaching out to me about so the first thing was that there's a community called Kingsmill and it's

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mostly on the Baltimore County side but there's also a good bit of it that's on over the over the gunpowder on the other side, and I would love to see that community sort of stay together they have similar interests and needs and so if that if that could

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be addressed that would be really awesome.

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The other thing that folks have reached out to me, you know, like the previous speaker said the good delegates and senators from Baltimore County, they're crossing over into the city doesn't make as much sense as if we had crossed over in the Jewish community

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to try and keep those voices together.

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splitting them up makes a lot less sense I think so if we could if we could sort of, we have to sort of pull from outside I know I tried to use this mapping tool and I literally couldn't do it.

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It is really complicated and really difficult so I, I, God bless you guys for doing this.

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But if we could find a way to instead of, you know, messing around on the eastern side instead keep that community together. I think that would be really awesome.

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And, and makes a lot more sense. And, and just in in general, sort of, keeping the rural area together but I know Harford County right now is so much at the northern part is so much into see so County, if there's a way to not do that the people on

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the other side of the river on that side, have a lot of different issues.

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Compared to sort of the Northern Harford County Hereford zone people I think they have a lot more issues, similar yeah there's the map that's great.

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So if there's any way to sort of shift that back over so that we can keep the sort of agricultural people on the sort of west side of the river that would be, I think, really, really great so I don't really have any other major things to add except

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for to thank you guys again for doing this and that I've heard great feedback that when people come to you guys with issues that you are doing your best to accommodate which is really really rare and government so thanks for what you all are doing.

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Thank you delegate our con appreciate your testimony and Kristin. Our first speaker is our fourth speaker is Steve Shapiro, Maria, or John if you could promote him to a panelist, my when we stop sharing the screen my screen went dead, there can.

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Steve You should now be a panelist.

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zero. Hi, are you able to?

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We can see you and hear you now yes okay thank you Dr haven't been, I appreciate the process that the condition is used, and I particularly appreciate the Commission's efforts to address my concerns with districts, 10 and 12.

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First off, I am from Bethesda in Montgomery county. And I'm going to be referring first to delegate plan, 1080, and then later to congressional plans, 1074 and 1076.

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Regarding legislative districts, 10 and 12. The boundary should be River Road. Apologies if I was not clear on that earlier. Having the boundary, Massachusetts Avenue would by sec the committee's the community serve by the Westmoreland Civic Association.

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The Westmoreland Civic Association serves neighborhoods on both sides of Massachusetts Avenue. So, moving the boundary between 10 and 12 to River Road would keep all of those neighborhoods together.

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Delegate plan 10 at incorporates River Road is that boundary have also made adjustments to the populations of districts 1011 and 12. Even the populations.

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And I found it easier to make those trades, by way of District 11 rather than doing it directly between 10 and 12 further out secondary and delegate to terrorism comments last week.

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I would recommend that district 12 be split into individual delegate districts to address the significant socio economic and racial differences between different parts of District 12 and plan 10 at splits district 12 into individual single member districts

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for Chevy Chase Kensington and silver spring.

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10 It also splits district 10 in case the commission decides to further implement single member delegate districts. It was interesting in that exercise I found that Tennessee the western half of 10 is half as dense as 10am 10 being in the eastern part

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and Tennessee would also have been second highest Asian population of any delegate district of 26%, turning out to the congressional maps. I'd encourage the commission to make changes to address comments and your further reflections.

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Please don't be reluctant to make improvements at this point just because something wasn't proposed sooner because this will be a map, these will be our maps from the next 10 years simplest is not always the best three to four districts may be appropriate

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are better than one or two districts and a large, diverse County.

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Again, lastly, regarding the black majority districts and say incompatible areas should not be included in those districts, like Pasadena and server in a park are now, I'd encourage you to move St Mary's and Calvert counties, out of the district with

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George's, and my maps, 1074 and 76 include some examples of how that might be done. Thank you Mr. Shapiro for your testimony tonight and the written testimony that you've submitted.

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Thank you very much.

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Not sure if Kristin is back yet, but I will promote our next panelist our next panelist is Alfred Mendelsohn, Alfred you are now a panelist,

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For a moment. Terrific.

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First of all, I know the Herculean task that you guys have been working under or working through. So I you have my, my very sincere thanks.

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And as you've tried to understand the whole of the state of Maryland I could, I can tell you that it's a it's a former chairman at the bottom we're kind of Republican Party.

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I've been through the county by county, all through.

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And I've got to tell you, you guys done a terrific job, but there are two, two problems that I think needs to be fixed.

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The first is the sixth legislative district courts now the sixth legislative district.

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It really is a district of communities. They share newspapers that the county times, they share schools, they share the same crash problems which are different, you when you hear the word rat, you think a Baltimore County rap is just like a Baltimore

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Alas, it's not that way. The problems are different, and Baltimore County on the, on that side of the that side of the county really needs to be kept together.

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Going to the other side of the county. I'm a, I'm a fairly observant you, which means that I care about what's called an error of the error of is a, if you don't know it's a it's a physical wine that would be an observable from most people.

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That's because it's really just a string hung over power lines, I don't know if you're familiar with this, but it makes it possible to walk. And while carrying things on Saturday.

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And there's even a, a, a, I'm going to call it a phone book of the, of the observant Jews who live inside the Arab. You're breaking up the Arab area. It should Baltimore County in Baltimore City, and the Orthodox community I'm not orthodox.

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It's very important and it's a, and it, it makes sense. The, the issues are the same in the Jewish community on both sides of the of the of the wine. So if you're going to fix the problems that the when you squeeze the balloon on one side gets better

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on the other.

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You can fix those two problems all at once.

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I keep a cohesive wine for the in the Jewish community around been built around the arrow.

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And if you, if you do that, then the problems of the sixth legislative district are fixed. Again, thank you for your help and for your time and for the Herculean task that you've taken.

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Thank you for your testimony Mr. Mendelssohn.

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Our next speaker is Daniel Johnson of an Arundel County, it will be speaking about map submission 1082.

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Good evening. Are you able to hear me?

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Yes, we can see you and we can hear you. Thank you.

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Good evening, I'd like to first offer my thanks to the members of. Okay, up to the members of the Commission for all their hard work this far. My particular concerns I will speak to today relate to congressional redistricting.

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And I'd like to condition to consider a map I submitted submission number, 22, where at least incorporate the concerns I will address.

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I would like to draw attention to the unique role the commission is playing not just in drawing new districts for our state and federal representatives, but just as importantly, if not more importantly, in setting precedents and priorities that future

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redistricting efforts will follow and important priority that commission should follow is to set a precedent with discourages future gerrymandering but making clear how the redistricting process should define community and prioritize community representation

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and creating a president that favors communities redistricting condition in a state could leverage existing local municipalities zip codes, or even a high school feeder zones to Greg borders between districts, but in Maryland we largely defined community

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by county for the vast majority of Marylanders, it is the county government which services the lowest level of governance and their first stop for services, and this regard I think there needs to be your priority and maintaining to the maximum extent

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possible, county cohesion within congressional districts and the proposed map from the condition. There is a division of Calvert county a county with less than 100,000 people only 13% of what would fit in a congressional district.

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Likewise, there's division of animal county which has under 600,000 people, again, less than the approximately 770,000 people in a single district map 1082 which I've submitted keeps the every county that is smaller than a district in size whole and represented

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by the same member of Congress. I respectfully request that the Commission consider my submission if not in its entirety at least as an inspiration.

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All of the districts are less than point one 5% deviation from the average population required but I understand if that level of deviation is not permissible.

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I will note, however, that since the 2020 census, our populations have changed people have been born people have been passed, people have passed away, and divert prioritize exactly quality over communication is somewhat arbitrary.

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My second concern is that when a redistricting commission uses divide a community, such as a county that should endeavor to do so in a way that seems at least as least arbitrary as possible, a close look at divisions created an aunt or uncle, Montgomery

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Prince George's in Baltimore counties on the conditions draft map finds the division between congressional constituencies ebbing and flowing up and down neighborhood blocks inside sheets.

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Many of the roads, used are extremely low-density neighborhood roads, there are more likely to be internal to communities, rather than a natural dividing line between communities in map 1082 I've made extensive efforts to favor major thoroughfares and

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waterways, rather than community roads and drawing divisions that may not always be feasible. But to the extent possible I encourage the commission to look again to see if there are other existing borders zip codes school feeder zones or other robust

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thoroughfares that can create separation between districts, again I want to thank you all for the Jeff map you presented it is a phenomenal map, if nothing changes.

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It's way better than what we've had your efforts have been fantastic and thank you.

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Thank you, Mr. Johnson for your testimony tonight.

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Kristin. Our next speaker is Jay Jordan.

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Just one moment, can you hear me, I can hear you now.

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Thank you. Good to see you all again.

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I was under the impression. This is the last public meeting for the commission.

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Well, it's the last one for public testimony, testimony, is that correct. Yeah, I did see your, your statement saying that you have decided on the final map.

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So I wanted to comment on that.

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I thought I was hearing those maps, these are those map is.

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We're still taking some of the Senate, while I was, I was, I thought, at least the congressional was pretty much pin down. Has that changed or is that we're here to hear your testimony tonight and then we have a work session tomorrow, we'll have one following?

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this session we have one tomorrow at six and then we have a final review on Wednesday November six that will be posted. So thank you, Thank you. We're here to listen to you tonight.

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Thank you, Doug. I the one I'm working on. I checked in the its interactive map. Basically, it's the third congressional district is which, in some ways, basically Howard County and the vast majority of and a rattle.

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And I think a little piece of Calvert County, but I've seen various other versions. Anyway, across that which is beautiful, so much better than that. All these districts are so much better than what we have.

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Okay, but my concern is the third district like all of them are 800,000 people or so. Okay, they're all in single member districts, except for one in Howard County.

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That's district. Senate District 26, and it astonishes me why you've been there for five months, why you couldn't split up 26 into the three districts have about 44,000.

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I think, you know, if you're down to the set, you have the congressional map all down you have you have 47 senate districts all of 44,000, I would say, either you split them all into three districts have 44,000, or you don't split any of those senate

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districts and you take them all across the state, multi members to multi number. That's the fairest way to go. I had heard discussion a number of times ago of some sort of density issue.

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And then there was some unintended resolved and then maybe a tweak the density threshold, and then maybe got the right multi member districts and, you know, whatever, but the right way to go is take all those 47 senate districts and split them into three

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or make them all multi-member.

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There's no reason why they should be able when they looking for a sympathetic ear in the House of Delegates, they get to call three members, whereas the other 85% of the people in the third district.

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They will only be able to call one number in the delegates and hope that they get that one person is sympathetic to their, their cause.

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Simply split the 20th or the 26th ladder and Columbia Howard, Columbia Fulton and, and, and Fulton and Highland into three separate districts that way all the way across the third district 800,000 people, they're all in multi number districts, then density

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is nothing to do with it.

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Thank you for your time.

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Christine and our next speaker, or a speaker is

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Kristin or maybe it's Maria, who's going to introduce muted. I'm sorry I was muted it's. Our next speaker is Kathleen Sparrow, and she's already been promoted to a panelist,

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Kathleen you'll just need to unmute.

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Yes, that would help sorry.

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Can you all hear me now. We can hear you. We can't see you, but we can hear you. Okay. And let me see if I can fix that really quick.

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Hopefully that works now sorry I'm works; we see you we hear you challenged tonight.

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Members of the redistricting commission, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony. I reside in Perry Hall, Baltimore County, and my testimony tonight focuses on legislative redistricting group and Dundalk and even though I live in Perry Hall

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I still consider it home. And we all know the side of our county has had many challenges over the years. And they're making great progress now.

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And I just lost some of my notes bear with me for a second.

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And so I believe that what happens when we're putting parts of Baltimore City into the east side of the county running all the way up through for Howard and Dundalk and in Essex, that the community of these communities are going to lose their sense of

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They're going to be lumped in they're not going to have fair representation. And that's the thing that concerns me the most is what happens with these communities.

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And they have unique challenges as delegates long and American and Senator Salim said, And I just respectfully as the commission to please consider keeping the community together.

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And that's all I have.

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All right, thank you miss your.

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Kristin. Our next speaker is our next speaker is Larry Porter,

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But so thank you very much for having my testimony to record it tonight.

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I'm again going to talk about Caroline county and the legislative proposed legislative district.

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The proposal to split Caroline county into three districts, three legislative districts will disenfranchised the citizens of Caroline County, for all intents and purposes, it will be it will be virtually impossible for us to, to retain or elect the resident

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delegate who understands our unique concerns the proposed map has basically been used as a bank to balance the accounts for our surrounding counties, approximately 15,000 of our citizens have been shifted to Kent County I believe that's district 45 be

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This will you Caroline county amazed for our voters to try to decipher who the representative will be not to mention the additional election calls estimated by our election director more than \$25,000.

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The proposed division is on a timeline where my understanding is that people would be filing for election and may not even know what district they're going to represent until after the filing deadline.

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Caroline county has a population of about 33,000 people, we should have our own legislative district to ensure that the citizens voices are heard and instead.

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This proposal would have us remain as Caroline county where our taxes are collected at our voices are ignored.

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The population is a concern is a concern and Caroline county has grown. But over the years, we have been stymied by policies such as smart growth and other policies that have restricted our growth and others that have served to keep us keep us up

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the population we are. I cannot emphasize enough how detrimental the proposed division of the county would be, and what has very respectfully that you reconsider the delegation Baptist, as proposed, even if it means that it has to have an adverse effect

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on the rich and powerful people in the county surrounding Carolina County. It's time we were treated fairly for a change. And I will rest there. Thank you very much.

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Thank you Mr. Porter.

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Our next speaker is moderator devote.

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Stephen you're muted.

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Hello. Are you able to hear me? Yes, and see you. Yes. Okay, great.

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Thank you for providing this opportunity for citizens like myself to testify in terms of the maps. My name is Margaret's Devo, and I live in Silver Spring, Maryland, specifically the Fairlane area is currently in congressional three and legislative district

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14. I am active in the community to various organizations and my church. Below is some of the things I would like to see regarding the maps and redistricting process and yes there on the right page.

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Thank you so much. Please continue with multi member district representation, especially for my districts during some of the earlier rounds there were individuals who had disabilities who advocated for this as well.

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It ensures various issues like transportation budgets disparities caused by the covert pandemic etc. can be addressed without overtaxing one representative and a chance to have the concerns of the community met.

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Please return to the previous way the maps were numbered last year, I understand the goal was to have consistency with the state legislative district map however changing the number in Order, order will create confusion among the citizens.

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So with regards to this map, I noticed birth and Burtonsville is cut off on the rest of the East County areas part of the new district for not sure why this was the case as it is considered East County is the only part of the east side that is using the

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county line to draw the district line.

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I do have concerns that the way the districts are being drawn without consideration for political party and our communities of interest will instead introduce racial gerrymandering I show a comparison in my written testimony to show how your current maps

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congressional districts match to racial groups by census tracts. The Fairlane areas the East County part of Montgomery county my community is very diverse.

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Other languages spoken in addition to English or Spanish Korean American and French. Additionally, the East County Community Center offers liaisons to the community through Office of Community Partnerships, resulting in liaison for African American immigrant

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and the African and Caribbean communities. I mentioned this because there was an attempt by the Commission to focus on the Latino and Asian populations and understandably so.

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However, no research was done to explore those who are part of the African diaspora, like other cultures, we are not monolithic, for instance, I am first generation American on my mother's side.

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My mother is from Barbados, and her mother was diabetes. Well, I myself identify as African and American, my mother, a proud. My mother, a proud American still identifies herself as West Indian on census forms.

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There were comments about the black community districts being sacrifice in order for there to be a Latina district. The result was District Four, neither group should be sacrificed, they have more in common if tradeoffs must be considered than something

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in the mapping process went awry. I have additional comments and my written testimony about ranked choice voting and request to have. Professor facilities, jobs that he did for other commissions made available to the public as well for transparency purposes.

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Thank you for your time and consideration. Thank you Miss diva for your testimony tonight.

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Kristin speaker number 11 is delegate Rick Metzger,

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who has been promoted to a panelist?

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And there I am. There you are. Now you doing good. Thanks. Good evening ladies and gentlemen, I want to say my name is Rick massacre, and I live in Baltimore County, and I want to thank you for the opportunity to speak tonight and I would like to thank

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the commissioners for their hard work with these proposed maps, and what a task, it is. This is not an easy job and I as a delegate thank you for that I should have said that.

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But under the current plan. I need to stress the fact that Essex will be placed in Harford County District in Dundalk would be placed in Baltimore City district.

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These two communities have nothing in common with their proposed legislative districts, and it is my understanding, ladies, and gentlemen, that the Commission is supposed to consider the geographical boundaries, such as the bodies of water and continuous

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land, like the communities when drawing these maps. Under this proposal, Eastern Baltimore county will be divided. And they do not share the same similarities as Harford County and Baltimore City, dividing our communities is an injustice to these communities,

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and will hurt these communities, desperately. I respectfully request that the Commission please reconsider these proposed maps and keep our communities that we're working very hard to keep interest together.

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Thank you for your time and your consideration. And because of the time, I'm not going to add more detail. Thank you.

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Thank you delegate Metzger.

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Our next speaker is Tyrone. ignore Aha, Maria if you could please promote.

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then our next speaker will be delegate Robin grammar, Maria if you could please promote delegate grammar.

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I can delegate grammar You should now be a panelist.

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All right. Can everybody hear me okay yes Delegate Grammer. Good evening.

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Good evening, good to see everybody, members of the Commission. My name is Robin grammar I live in Essex that's in Baltimore County, full disclosure, I am one of the state lawmakers for Southeastern Baltimore County.

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I appreciate your patience I have two very silly children who are going to be testifying with me tonight, members of the Commission like Bernie Sanders, I am once again here to ask for your support.

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And specifically, I am hoping for a hero that will make the motion to reignite the peninsulas of greater of greater Dundalk and greater Essex, I'd like to make an appeal to your sense of community.

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And I'd like to talk about a particular issue that I've talked about previously and even senator selling has mentioned.

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That's the issue with images and I'd like to talk about it as it relates Robbins, as just listen as it relates to the communities of our district. So we have a problem with tiny bugs called images that are they grow due to the influence that are released

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into back river via the sewage treatment plant. This has been happening for decades and this previous spring. It was, it was the worst that it has been and 20 years I heard that from everybody who lived within a mile proximity to back River.

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What, what happened in retrospect, we found when the news broke the article, a nonprofit had triggered an investigation into the sewage treatment plant and it was found that human way, you know, effluents against a violation of the state law, were flowing

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into back river, and we had millions of these images that were really complete nuisance to every community on the greater Essex and Dundalk peninsula.

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When we reached out and we engage people. The people that responded were from Essex and Dundalk and the people that engage us were completely from Essex and Dundalk, and I don't know if you know the background of our infrastructure water problems but

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this certainly is not a problem that is exclusive to Baltimore County or, or a district. We want to have everybody engaged, but the people that were engaged were Essex and Dundalk.

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So issues like this this is not the only issue that this is the case, but it's certainly paints a picture of that. So again, I'd like to appeal your central.

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We are hoping for a hero that will make the motion to reunite our communities. I know this process is hard but dividing Essex and Dundalk will dilute a voice that is, you know, been together on paper for two decades.

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What is always spoken together for much longer than that. And with that, I appreciate your patience, and I'd ask you to please help us reunite.

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All right, thank you delegate grammar and goodbye to you and your children.

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Our next speaker is Finoh Sia

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here. Good evening everyone. Good evening. Can you hear me Can you see me? Yes, both Thank you. Hi, thank you for having me once more was here last week, and I didn't have my camera on so tonight a habit, I'm calling from Prince George's County District

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I am a candidate. And I want to thank each and every one of you for ensuring that we have a fair redistricting process. I humbly bow to each and every one of you on our heart, this is what I'm here to play for your help.

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I'm here, I'm sorry. I am here to play for your help. Despite everything that is going on with our America, America.

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America is to presume the land of the free, the land where you become your free to become only however you want to be the land of the brave, the land where you are encouraged to work and reap what you sow.

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It is simply the land where dreams passion and talent are rewarded. A land of opportunity on parallel opportunities. It is simply a land where imagination, especially ideas that seem impossible or improbable can become a reality as an immigrant,

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and so many other immigrant decided values, my parents, our parents brought us to America for. And when does values are threatened it become personal to me.

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I am here for you guys to consider my district, have been torn up into a jigsaw puzzle, because they want to talk me out of the wrist. And I would like for our for define our map of our district to represent our diverse community is 63 is so diverse.

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And it's heavily African and Caribbean community in is to reflect the will of the people, and effect and afford everyone equal and fair representation.

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They should not be redrawing to predict election outcome redistricting process that requires the use of past election results lies the foundation of bipartisan gerrymandering that manipulate the manipulation of district lines to a particular group.

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And I'm here in America because I believe in America. I run for; I'm running for office because I believe in America. Thank you so much for having for having this time and listening to me.

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Thank you, God bless you.

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Thank you, Missy for your testimony.

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Our next speaker is Alexander Pappas

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Can we hear me now?

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We can hear you. We can't see you.

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You're not going to see me because I do not have my, my camera hooked up to my, my computer. So, with this testimony. I first want to share with you. My name is Alexander Pappas, I'm a licensed engineer and a graduate of Johns Hopkins in multi-modality

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imaging radiology imaging and lifelong resident of Southeast Baltimore County I currently serve as the fort Howard Community Association president to serve as a corresponding secretary and treasurer of the seventh District Council Baltimore County.

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And I also sit on an advisory committee for dredge management for the port to Baltimore. And I'm also a member of the Millers Island engineer Business Association and I previously served on the Baltimore County historic trust as our treasurer and board

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member, and as the vice president of North Point, and actually Council. I just want to reiterate that the, the elected officials that you heard this evening.

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leadership in the Republican Party, Mr. metal cinema smear Oh, clearly have articulated of the position of the groups that I have a numerator, previously here who I represent the see thing.

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I say they're begging, begging for you not to dismember our southeastern communities and I beg you, please do not destroy our communities. Thank you very much and I wish you all the best.

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Thank you for your testimony Mr. Pappas.

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That concludes our speakers this evening.

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Alright so we actually had 14 then I have account, yet we had, we had multiple individuals who signed up who did not, who were not present at the meeting, and have not yet joined.

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Hurry. Great, thank you.

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So, at this point now we're going to go into somebody on the chat.

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Looks like Stephanie Williams, right.

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Okay, she was labeled as Galaxy Note. That's why we didn't know she was here. Okay. Gotcha.

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Gal okay Stephanie, I'm going to promote you to a panelist, sorry your name is incorrect on the attendee list, so we were not able to see that you were present for the meeting.

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Miss Williams.

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She's well you know I don't think she has to worry about her name now right you just did right.

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Yeah, I just changed it for her anyway, just to go okay thanks Maria, no problem.

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There she is. All right, Now you just have to unmute Miss Williams.

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Okay, now we can hear you.

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We can't see you, but we can hear you.

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Um, my name is Stephanie Williams, and I am from Fort Howard I am in the Southern District. And

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I really don't see why you separate Baltimore County and to Baltimore City and how our counties.

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We live totally different lives.

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And I think that if you're going to make a change.

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Make the rest of Dundalk part of Baltimore County.

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So that all our communities can be together.

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I mean, all our. We have different issues, and we have different styles of living, and I really don't see that taxes will go up.

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And everybody, it would affect everybody.

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Bottom our county has lower taxes, then bottom our city waters higher and city that it is, and the county.

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Car insurances extremely higher in the city.

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miss Williams you're frozen right now. Can't hear you.

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Williams, do you have anything more to add.

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No, Thank you. Alright, thank you for your testimony tonight.

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So Kristin, seeing what we just saw with a different name.

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Here's looks like somebody else, Jackie still Nicole.

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Jackie still McCall, a founder.

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All right, Miss, we're going to promote you miss still Nicole shortly.

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She has been promoted, or right, still my coffee just unmute you can begin your testimony.

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Okay. Hello.

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Good, and good evening, my name is Jacqueline steel McCall, I live in Prince George's County. I've lived in Maryland for 40 plus years, I've been watching the work of the redistricting commission.

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And I want to say that I'm very pleased with the work of the commission gathering information and input from the citizen despite many obstacles including cold, but I just wanted to say that you should be commended, and that's my testimony.

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Well thank you for that, Mr. Bill McColl, we appreciate hearing that that's, I think, the first time we had someone do that so it's nice to have it on our last night.

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Thank you, no cheese for press your discount. Alright.

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Right, so unless that that should be it for our speakers for this evening.

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All right, should we just double check the chat, before we, because this, this is truly it. I'm going through the chat and I'm not seeing anything else and went through our list to kind of the registrations and I'm not seeing the remaining people in our

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attendee list. Alright. Alright, thanks I will add. I will add for those on the call who whether you spoke or not, that you can still submit written testimony to the email which is redistricting condition at Maryland cough

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or wait until when Kristin was always time to find a working meeting is technically tomorrow.

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So if, if it is something that you want the commission to be able to consider prior to making presumably their final vote on districts or district boundaries.

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It should be tomorrow before four o'clock there earlier the better to fix because many folks are on the panel are working, so they can try and grab this during the day when they're, you know they can get a break, it's, you know, little chance I read that

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open. I'm sorry, that that email will stay open, and people can still continue to email us through next week it's just that any of those comments wouldn't be able to be considered prior to final votes on maps.

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Okay, so I'd like to thank everyone who testified this evening and of course the few hundred, that have recently submitted written testimony, the members of the Commission have taken the time to read that.

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And we're at the point now where we are moving into a working session. And so I think we're where we like to begin is least in my view, there's a lot to discuss but I think what we've heard from.

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And we've been talking about this, that we, we need to review this is what's happening with Baltimore City and then the southeast Baltimore County. So, Professor facility.

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Yes, I can I get Kristin back on because I think it's going to affect what is feasible here. And that is it, Is it your view that tomorrow night.

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The naps must be approved, because that what we're talking about here is a completely different map that will affect one third of the state, or so and so, it would be it would be a problem I think if, if we end up drawing a map at the last minute that

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then there's no public input for and so what exactly are the dates that that we have to get everything done by next Wednesday.

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That's where so tomorrow, so good so but that and so can the boat happen then. So, yeah, certainly what is what is feasible, is that you all could have your working meeting tomorrow.

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At the end of that meeting if there are maps that you are certain about you can go ahead and vote on them. If there are still some tweaking to be done but you all decide what that tweaking, and modification is, and you have exact instructions for the professor

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then then he could then take those email them back to everyone, you would all be able to view them prior to the meeting on November 3, and then at the start of that meeting, you could vote upon the to do it to do a final vote, but you do need to

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have a vote on your congressional senate and legislative maps of final vote would have to come.

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Obviously that would be best for tomorrow but knowing that there is still much work to be done. If we had to push that vote off we certainly could. Another option is that we could start the meeting, a little earlier for that public vote.

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We're still in a window where we could modify the start time of that meeting.

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In the event that you know so that we could publicize it and change the time on the agenda. So those are options.

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If I had reading, reading, professor.

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Is that anytime there's an action is reaction. And what will happen is that if you change the bolts from Baltimore County and put it somewhere else, then the people who are then affected, would not have had an opportunity to express their concerns

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or react to the new situation right now people in all the areas of Baltimore County, who may be affected. They may be satisfied, right now, as to what's happening, and they haven't expressed in the need to testify.

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But again, if we change some things I'm just wondering whether we should give people an opportunity to finally make some comments on the new changes that, as I'm reading professor, maybe know that that's exactly right but part of it it's not just that

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you all. I mean because, I mean, I'm putting the cart before the horse here on the assumption that you want to make these changes some of these changes maybe the commission will decide not to. But I wanted to see in the event. I wanted to figure out the schedule just to make sure that if

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And so, I will, I will do whatever the commission wants but I want to make sure that the Commission is involved in, in, you know, that the maps, this is not me just doing it and then also the Republican.

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And so, how, how you go about it so that's why I was wanting to November, is it.

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Where does the November 3, do they come from, and can that be extended? And if not, then, then I guess we'll just work with, I mean I think we can get it done by them.

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But I do worry about because what's going to happen as Duane said is the equal and opposite reaction, and some of it is not going to be as passionate as what we've heard tonight but some of it is like dealing with the community issue and loc Hill and

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and you know house in and those kinds of things that just that as we're moving large swaths of population that they're going to be little to a judgment calls that, that are just not, there's no principle, about why ally might have been drunk one way or

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another but then an interest group is going to be offended by it. So I just wanted to see what our timeline really is as to what is feasible between now and the final vote.

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I understand Kristin, our deadline is next Wednesday.

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Because whatever is decided.

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We have to, it's going to be putting legislative language. So that can be submitted. And that takes time.

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That right, it does so we have legislation to write.

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And so that is something that we've taken into consideration, with that date.

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Again, you could put another meeting on the schedule.

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But again, you can be having a conversation tomorrow night, discuss these matters.

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we can put draft proposed maps on the website, and people can still provide written testimony.

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With regard to those maps, we can leave we can have that testimony coming to the commission.

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But as far as kind of finishing what it is that the task you set upon to do that, that November 3 date is kind of where we are again, if, if you need to adjust things and reconsider things, we can certainly use part of that meeting on November 3 to finalize

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Okay, my, my sense is that we stick with the agenda that we originally have proposed rather than adding more and trying to get done what we need to get done.

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And I think we've had.

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We still have an opportunity for the public to submit written testimony and we're reading it all the time. So it certainly will come into play. It's not as though, public testimony is the only thing we, we, we look at, we look at the written testimony

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we look at the map submissions. So, there's still be time for people to give input.

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The issue that I think is most prominent right now is the one related to Southeast Baltimore County, and the one that we have had quite a number of testimony received a lot of testimony about that.

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Both tonight and also writing it did come up last week we, you know, you may recall, we talked about last week. And we talked about that option of going up to the northwest section and maybe as one of the speakers tonight said like a balloon take it from

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one place and put it in another and it wasn't as easily done, I wish it was he could be as easily done but it can't be.

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But it sounds like from what I'm hearing from the commissioners, that were willing to have it take another look at this in the same fashion we did when we heard loud and clear from the folks in St Mary's County, how they want it to remain whole.

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So, if people are in agreement that we want to look at some options besides the one that's currently there with in southwest Baltimore County and connecting it.

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I, we really need to be vocal about that now if we want to proceed because that means that, that's a, you know, a mark change and what we've had already so Cheryl is see your hand raised.

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Yes, um, I do want to proceed. I know it came up last week and we looked at you, we, we could ignore over 100 people, you know, by me and testimony indicating that it's a concern for the community on how the communities combined, how they work together.

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How does a quarter, Alistair and they work together on many social issues and environmental concerns?

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So I think that yet. I don't, I feel person is not really an option not to look further and in previous written testimony, also has been information about looking at some of the northwestern district we talked about where the Jewish community resides

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on early in northwest and Baltimore County. And that is something that would help resolve more than one because I'm saying, but I do think it's something that should be investigated, and we should take a look at and see wow that we're in right thanks Cheryl

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anyone else.

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I agree with Cheryl that we need to take a look at it, but I want to know from Professor Persily.

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Why, what is the likelihood of this balloon spilling over into the other counties.

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I think I can contain it in Baltimore County and Harford, we need to talk about Harford actually because you've heard.

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Let me tell you I'll show you on the map, how many things I'm thinking about when I'm doing when I'm helping out here, and there's there are a lot of variables at play.

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I know this, you remember the first senate map that I drew, and I sent send it around did have the intrusion in Northwest.

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Baltimore. And I think that these kind of interest concerns are real ones, and they came up 20 years ago in the, the court case.

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I will note that the current districts to split that community right so it's not as if the Commission's Makeba.

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Um, but I think we will have to change every almost every district in Baltimore County and Baltimore City, and probably almost every district in Harford, I don't think I need to go into a Rundle because you can stop the, the changes up in what is currently

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district 15. I'm the only reason that there may be that it would have to go into Rundle as if there was some.

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I don't see why we would need to do that so I think that we would, but we would have to change the Hartford districts, because notice that the arguments that they're making would

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reallocate what are the current assembly district into different senate districts. And so then we have to we have to consider the possibility of having the intrusion from Harford into Baltimore County up north, as opposed to down south.

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Because the if Essex Dundalk an engineer are put together in a senate district and then in broken up into individual delicate districts, then that's one third of what is currently contemplated this Senate District 43.

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And so we need to figure out whether the intrusion is still going to come in, in southern. I'm in southern Baltimore county or whether you do it like the way it currently is which is, it's farther north, I would like to.

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I don't know whether now's the time, but I would like to just go over the map with you and get a little direction as to where things would be pushed and pulled but I want to make sure that you all are of the same mind here is think what we should do

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Thank you for mentioning that Professor because I think we need to hear from everyone because this is this is a big change and it's going to affect a lot of other areas and I'm sure we'll hear from other people.

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So, Jonathan you were about to comment right when Mary did so, what have you got to say, Sharon, Mary pretty much hit on the head it's too much to ignore all the feedback we've received.

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And we have to explore, in my opinion, and I'm going to just call it William, what are your thoughts

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down what they want.

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Too many people have no took the time out to write or call in and unfortunately for me.

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I don't have anything from the people who live in the northwest Baltimore City to stand on and say that they don't want the intrusion to happen on there and so if this.

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The residents of Southeast Baltimore County took time out of their day.

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So right will call in to advocate on their neighborhood, and another part of the city didn't.

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How can I get in the way? Who am I to go against what they say but that's what they want? That's what they want.

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Thank you, William.

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Kim, your thoughts,

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actually feel a little neutral on it. We've come a really long way and we have a really good map. But I do see the aspect that maybe we should look into it so right now I'm feeling neutral about that.

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Right. Thank you, Jay.

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Um yeah thanks Kate. I think makes sense to certainly review the, the impacts of these potential changes and kind of having remote tonight if we can see where we can then take two maps and make the appropriate adjustments and see how that shakes out

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a judge, Judge Williams I believe you're in contrast, I certainly agree with. Sure, all we have to take a look at it and see how it all the other districts and see how much of a change we want to make it would have you are the only question I had a professor

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Professor brought it up. Is he say that those committees are they not united?

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now, I think know under the Northwest, the Northwest, so the Jewish community is Oh, I see.

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Yeah, I'm talking about the South. Yes. Gotcha.

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All right, thank you.

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I agree with what's been said by course their books and by Krishna Clawson, and others are the.

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These are not simply one form letter received 300 times, these are people running in many ways. For many backgrounds in their own words. I think this is the model of the kind of public response to we need to take seriously as content.

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Right. Oh that's I think that's everyone professor and we are the Maryland citizens redistricting commission.

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And our task is to listen to the public and the public has spoken. So, what are you suggesting?

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Alright so now let me, let me try to show you what we're talking about here.

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And Professor as you pull up your screen there just from a timing perspective here.

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You have a pretty busy day tomorrow so I'm thinking that it is an unlikely that you would have these maps pulled together by tomorrow night's working meeting or when I'm working on them.

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Is it unlikely that you would have these maps pulled together by tomorrow night's working meeting or no I'm working on them? I get it, I will get I will work all night on these and get them to you so that you have them for tomorrow.

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Um, but, uh, but that's why I want to go through I want to make sure, here's what here's what I expect to happen there are two things that I want to avoid.

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One thing I desperately want to avoid is the commission running away from the map and saying that the expert made these calls and so I want to make sure everybody is locked arms on these changes.

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The second thing is that I want to

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I want to get some direction from you tonight as to the sort of pressure points on how to resolve them and knowing that I'm going to have to make some judgment calls as I go through it, but I will get this to you.

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By the time you wake up in the morning.

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Um, it would be great if we had some, some feedback from the public, even before tomorrow but I don't think that we won't have enough time there.

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But I want to show you what I'm thinking about and no doubt they're going to need some changes I'll have to make on the fly but the more direction I get from you, the better.

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I think here.

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So, we could have whatever maps you pull together, we can have those maps posted by 9am.

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So whenever you get them to us, you will get them posted under the meeting for tomorrow night, members of the commission would you like me in advance to put them in a final proposed maps section, or do you just want to include them in for tomorrow night's

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So what's the difference. So the final proposed maps, is just it just means that someone goes to the homepage they see final proposed maps, we could put it right there as a, as the maps that your maps that you are considering and that you have proposed

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I think you want to say it, you know. Yeah, they can say well we can see it I don't see any problem that.

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I'm sorry, not under final propose we would put it under draft map so we would put it under the draft map section, and we could also put it under the meeting section for tomorrow night's meeting itself so someone who wants to see this they could

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just go to that link, and it's right there. Yeah, okay.

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Correct. And so if anyone has an objection I mean we've been showing everything else I don't know why we wouldn't show this.

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And we also can leave the, the email open longer if need be as well. Sure. I had another question actually for Cheryl last week when you met when we met, you mentioned also revisiting, some of the single member versus multi member districts in Baltimore

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County. Is that something else that you're interested in, happening right now or maybe just the at this.

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At this point, I'm the Dundalk and ethics, and the design is a priority because, as a result, like, we look at where the district goes, I was concerned more so about that 15 area as well.

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And exactly where is it 16, a woman intrusions going to be is it 15 is all that respond differently. It's right in that area that I have primary concern about.

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So I think that this precedes the other one, but also that that let's solve that problem as well, so I think that because both of those are related because if we're going to make the intrusion from Northwest Baltimore let's do it in the

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way that you all think is correct.

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Because that's going to be the compensation here. I mean, an apropos Mr. Parsons question before it right I believe that I that I will not have to mess with this border here and that all the changes will basically happen here.

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And, and I do think that we have to change the Harford County districts, but I have some ideas on how we could do that.

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And the Harford County are already single member districts. That's correct. Yes, that's right. Right. But here's the issue. Notice the Senate, the Senate District though right so 43 A, B and C goes this way they want.

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They want sex with Dundalk and edge right so, so, so we chop this off. We got to find another place to go now. Now that, in theory you could just swap it out with one of these, but I actually think it probably makes sense, with the current, as with the

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current districts that's a 43 a goes up to the border here and that we go around, but let's talk about that as to what you might want.

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So, that you're having dinner Should I jump in or yes and I think it's now it's appropriate time for you to proceed. Okay. All right, so let's just be clear what we're talking about here.

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So, so, these areas that this one and a half districts, inside Baltimore city will now be absorbed by districts 23 and 24 and everything will start shifting down that, I mean there are what makes this complicated is that there are real, they're voting

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rights issues right in. Just so we're clear about the composition of the different populations right so since the African American population of Baltimore right and so this area was taken out these districts will come down the intrusion then we'll

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come up here, taking in a lot of Northwest Baltimore joining it with 16 A and that's what Mr. Brooks was talking about, so I want to make sure we get the a roof and that we get the very you know the right communities here and I want some y'all have sent

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me some guidance.

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But I wouldn't be surprised it by tomorrow. You say, Well, no, we should cut a just a little bit differently. There is that in thinking about a Jewish community of interest.

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They, they were going to go all the way that was Mills right and you can see what the implications are of that for potential pra issue. So I just want you to keep that in mind.

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Alright so, so what we'll do is that the interviews will come up that will chop this, the 20 CMB will then be absorbed into 23 and 422 21 are going to come down but there's a real risk of extreme packing of the African American community when you when

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you because you're basically pushing these down this way so. So these districts will come in, and I'll be a little bit more like a pizza pie here with one slice taken out of the top.

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Then we'll build these districts right so what 20 A, B and C 43 see will now be probably 20 see right and we'll be joined with Edgemere. And then, then this like half district that's right here will probably go right above it.

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Right. Oh, actually, let this where I want to get some guidance on.

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We can put it; we can put it here. Right, so it's basically one, two, and three, right along this, this border here, or along the water.

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Or we could take that and squeeze it in here rotating everything up that reason that this is complicated right it's because this is what affects everything in Harford County.

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The thing that I've begun to appreciate is that you have to simultaneously think of the legislative the delegate districts in the senate districts at the same time and that's kind of hard and so this is hard because the deviations right because

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And so, this is hard because the deviations right because we've been keeping a very strict 2% deviation on the senate districts but allowing a 3% deviation district deviation on the on the on the delegate districts.

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And so I'm going to try what I will probably do is just to make sure I don't make an error. I will probably try to keep these districts as close to 2% as possible, even in the delegate districts, which will require breaking up communities breaking up

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the, the voting districts are going to be, you know, the precincts are going to be broken up.

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But so, so basically what I see is will be, will push these districts out. And so what is 20 cb, and a gets pushed basically in this direction, then these districts get pushed up and around here as well.

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So Aberdeen the hub de gras get put into 43. And then, the problem is you can see 44, A.

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What if a rate is a senate district that goes here all the way from sea salt right to the Baltimore border, and so we'll have to redraw those districts, probably by redrawing what's happening in here?

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Once we make those changes though.

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So, when this comes down into here and we'll come over in this direction 15 will probably go up and around a little bit, while trying to keep it.

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Number 15 and right now as a 52.72%, non-Hispanic black district, probably ends up being

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a little more on the voting age population.

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And so trying to keep that around that percentage is going to be challenging.

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16 be will come down a bit. 16 See I think we can sort of; it will do that but what I'm talking about with Harford.

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We might be able to do it around this way as opposed to working through in the interior here, but I still think once we once we make the shifts that these districts are going to have to push up, right, and 19 or push out a little bit.

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And so like I'm wondering like what's the what's the right border at the top here for this.

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This new district of Southeast and Baltimore should it be middle river.

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How should we do that.

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And then you know that these will still all be well and then you do have to consider whether any of these single member districts are going to change your criteria as to whether they're going to be too dense in the multi member.

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but I'm going to just assume I sort of feel we can't.

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The time is up on that discussion, I mean if we're going to make these massive changes that we've got to just assume that everything is a single, it's kind of everything's gonna be a single member district, unless it's a multi member district currently

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Um, and, and so that's what I see the changes it's going to be this kind of sweep over this way, and potentially up and around, we need to decide, I mean if I if, if we're going to have a district that goes over here.

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And then I'll, I'll rotate the districts in here as well I think that 18 do come up and then, and then 16 A comes down.

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16 a probably if 16 a Jewish community is basically here and down into here, right that's going to be a pretty, pretty long district and so I will probably essentially if you replace this part with this part here and then move this over.

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It's a lot. It's a lot of movement. As you can see, just trying to plan it on the fly.

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So, when you make, making your shifts in Baltimore City, any significant changes in the racial makeup.

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Yes, extreme changes. They will they I will make sure that they're still all majority black districts, but they but if they're going to be sliced. Some of them will be sliced pretty fit Finlay.

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I say what I say I'll make sure that's just because you can do it right, it's not like an intentional creation you know they're compact districts. Um, but, but, basically, it sort of depends on how big the intrusion is into Baltimore City, as to what the.

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This is what I was showing you the population right so

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the way we did the intrusion here, it still allows for these districts' majority minority now, now that that this population will be back into the city districts, these districts will probably be more kind of vertical.

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Right. And, and if once you once you go into Northwest Baltimore here, we have to figure out like if this district goes down it ends up being like an 85% black district and so that would be a voting rights act problem.

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And so, you know, that's why I said it's going to be sort of pizza slices everything's gonna be coming right down to the harbor from every direction.

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That's right, that's right. And so I did so that the shape of them will be, you know, more slices, I mean I might be exaggerating maybe even 75 I you know but it's still.

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The point is, is right now these single these multi member districts 23.2 2124 are all, you know, majority, African American, and they will continue to be but it, but it just requires some fancy footwork, and on the senate map that I presented earlier

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and I emailed you earlier today they are, they are, you know, it can be done.

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Um, I just want to make sure that we're doing it in the right way that it actually is, you know, can you, can we take a couple minutes to talk more about Harford County because I know I offered some advice that was taken.

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And I'd like to just kind of go back over the reason and that led to this proposal if you go back up a little further northeast to the sizzle crossover.

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And all the way up to the Pennsylvania border Yeah, that's great.

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The, there is going to have to be because of population.

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It just took 44, that is going all the way over from the northeastern corner state into Harford County now I argued for letting that 44 include a current boss and Aberdeen, partly because if you didn't do that.

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It needs to take that amount of population, and it's, it's already got the northern agricultural strip it's going to have to go down and take part of the Baylor metropolitan area.

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I thought one of the virtues of this was the \$42 finally caught up with Boston a district with its own, but there was a second reason also to be careful on this and to be wary of some of the mouse that people have been sending us that slice Harford very

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vertically, which is that there is, as I understand it, something of a minority opportunity district in the areas in the southern part of the economy, which is imperative a little bit if it loses effort and up to cross, but is restored if it can, You

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know, use the Baltimore County Crossing to remain something of a minority opportunity district, and the middle river and White Marsh area which I believe you had said was a possible way to extend it, that didn't take assets would preserve the possibility

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of, you know, the better unity for minority interest.

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Given that sizzles district what might be taken with the northeastern part. That was the logic and if you reunite have the Grace Hopper game with the other areas mean fine but then you're going to get a very very spread out 44.

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And I just, you know, maybe that's the only solution but I just want to point out that a couple of factors have been lost, that we heard testimony this evening, that the people in northern Harford County, cultural area would rather be with north of Baltimore

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County. Maybe that's so but you know we are throwing them in with all the way over to I guess the Delaware one under all this plans.

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Well yeah I mean I. So, I'm part of this, again, is to think about the senate district so look you can trade a teensy with 43 cc. And if you wanted 43 a 43 VMM at&t becomes essentially 43.

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See right that you can do that actually without ness and then then all the changes can happen inside here. I heard some testimony tonight though that they weren't they didn't feel I first of all there's a question as to what this this community of interest

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that they're talking about does it end it Essex, or does it go down to these areas like Bowley's Quarters and, and, and the, you know, basically, Baltimore County line.

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Um. Look, if we just trade, I from a minority standpoint, there's not enough at least in the way this is currently constructed to make this an opportunity district, but we could do some stuff with middle River.

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But again, then that means that district 19 which is let me just see which is you know basically half and half, it's 50% White, then that then that that will decline.

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Right. And so, it's just going to be a tradeoff there. Um, but, but what do you mean if you think 18 see here should be joined with 43 A and 43 feet or something like it, then that will, that is that is okay, I mean I heard testimony tonight that

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they. It seemed like they just didn't like that, the outskirts of Aberdeen went all the way into basically essence, right, 43 A, B and C, which was the senate district Kalia six didn't want that other commissioners should comment on it one, one

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One thing in the back of my mind is that even if it's not perfect, it would avoid blowing up a whole bunch of additional districts that mostly we're not like you know 44 B and 342 districts that that we have not heard very much testimony against you know

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I am, and possibly northern Baltimore County, as, as well. If we can at least not block, some parts of the mouth.

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We make it less likely that someone is going to step forward saying we were satisfied with the person who was, why'd you blow it up and you know, separate my, my town or whatever.

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Again I let us welcome because I people may know that this person said much better than I do. Mary or you'd like to say something. Well, my, my concern is actually Baltimore City, which, I think, you know, for the.

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As for solid districts that are all compliant with the era and are not issues, and we're not hearing vehement concerns about what we've done with Baltimore city which is an you know an important the urban center of the state.

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I'm concerned about what's going to happen to Baltimore City being worse than what's going on in eastern Baltimore County.

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That's, you know I want to look at the whole region, but I realized that we haven't heard complaints from a lot of the rest of Baltimore County the way things are.

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we've heard it from basically three legislative districts.

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A or one center tutorial district, and when I look at how much things really are working for the rest of all the more city and a lot of the county.

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I don't know I think there's a risk in breaking more things than we might be fixing. I'm personally feel very badly that Caroline counties been carved up three ways.

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I mean for a tiny county to be carved up three ways and we're not we're not even trying. We're not even going to have time or interest to address that concern but that one bothers me too.

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Okay, so are we?

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Are you going to start with?

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Senate districts first you think Nate.

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We have to get the, the delegate district. In fact, I'm not going to do anything with the senate districts, I'm going to just do the senate map now that's out there to really be pulled down because even now, that said that senate plan is, is replaced

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by these delegates and so it's we got to get the delegate districts locked, and then we will, it'll be clear what the senate districts are based off of that and then, and just to avoid any problems, I want to make sure that I build the senate map off

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of the delegate districts so that we're there absolutely coterminous in their boundaries. By the way I did look at the at the Caroline county thing. and it's the same problem as, as we discussed last time which is that you just have to make the decision,

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you know if you're going to go up with this district into Talbot County. Right. And then that then that would eliminate this split over here. But, you know, that, that, then you split out then you split one other count right and so remember all of this

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happened because of the fact that we didn't want to just have water continuity up here.

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But, I mean, I look, I think I've got my marching orders here, let's look at the senate map that I had given you a while ago to see whether things have changed so much since then that I'm a little

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hesitant to show you this but if there are red flags that you all see.

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Please tell me. And so, this is the way it will probably look, you see that, although I may,

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the intrusion might change a little bit so this this is a basically a compliant math.

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sorry to 2021. Just look over here one up here. What do you want is 67% so that was what I was saying before judge about this district? So, if it goes down like it does here, you can at least knock it down to 67.9% non-Hispanic like probably close to

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Black voting age population if I'm not mistaken.

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And then, and then the others 58, you can see, but these ones 23 and 24 right there just about 50%.

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There, I mean I think they're, you know, they're going to perform there, they'll, they'll be okay but it's different than the current map, and then 16.

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This would, this is sort of the, this is would be essentially a multi member district in the way it's drawn right now and so I have to think about the single member size, you know, component of it.

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And if we do a single member district there.

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If it's a single member district inside Baltimore City, where it may be more than we just like what we had before where we had one single member district in here and then one crossover district.

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And so it all, how to do that is, is complicated because you don't. I as I understand it, we're going to have the Jewish community in a, in a delegate district, you're going to have one district here that is fully within Baltimore City.

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And then one that crosses over to kind of get that community of interest. Right.

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Um, and, and, and so that'll go up into the Pikeville and, and these other areas up here, plus the racial makeup of 16 on this map, it's heavily white, well actually let me let me say it's a little bit it's probably in the, in the way.

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Yeah, it's 60% white.

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And so it's a 20, it's putting 6% black. So we're so we're in Baltimore County is the opportunity for minority senate districts.

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Oh no, they still want a heated, 15 and 17 are going to be 17. Yeah, those I'll keep those the question. The problem is how you define the community of interest here, you know whether the Jewish community in Owings Mills, is going to be joined in with

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Baltimore City, or you might my view is. We'll definitely try to get the a row then that was mentioned in the testimony today and the in the some of the submissions.

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How far up we go in here that then has, has voting rights implications because garrison is a heavy African American area. And so it's going to be a little challenging, but you know I'll look and anything can be done if we have non compact district

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right where I, but one of the things that makes the commission plan different is that it looks better than what the legislators were growing. Right. And you'll notice here right so this this still has the problem with block Hill and so I'll change that.

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Um, but they'll be they'll be a single member district here probably one here and then one right around here.

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So you mentioned professor that you had your marching orders I guess I would I like to hear from the commission or is there anything else that needs to be considered because professor is going to be up all night, writing these maps prior to his senate

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testimony tomorrow and we want to give him some time to do the work, anyone else. So I want to tell you just in spirit of transparency, I want to say the other things that I'm going to do.

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So, I will also deal with the.

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the Montgomery county issue with River Road, being the change here since I you know I made the change last time to Massachusetts Avenue.

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it'll go up basically to here but that's about 3000 people so 10 will push in this way.

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Well, We'll go up in here.

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11 will go down to get the rest of North Bethesda, okay and so I'll do a kind of rotation in there. I don't I know we heard some testimony about seven see and all that but and Burtonsville, but I do think this looks this district is pretty good as it is.

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And it would require some other some major changes so keep that one change I would like to make it in. In, if it's possible in Prince George's County you'll see this municipality of land over hills is split.

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I want to see if I can keep that put that and split into that was a result of the patient a Latino districts here but I think it can be it can be avoided.

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And so I will try to even though it's a very strangely shaped municipality as you can see going up and down and all, I'll try to get at least most of the population into district 34 A without any voting rights and put implications.

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I'm the most of you know I'll just spend my time is trying to make sure that we don't have any big mistakes in Baltimore and that's what I'm worried about now it's just the stakes that are that are going to be made.

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Um, anything that would mess with the deviations or the era or something like that. Like, would it work better, if 15 was single member.

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In order to make sure your representation was still there. We talked about, well, well here's the question. The way it's drawn right now.

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Right. This is a three-member majority African American district, let me just get the numbers on 15,002.72, with basically 55%.

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Black voting age population. If you broke up into single member districts which I might add would probably violate the principle that you all, you know have come up with.

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Then, then you add that that's fine, it would be to majority African American districts and one white district, and you know that that could be something to consider.

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I don't think it's necessary though it depends on how we define the Jewish community here and what the boundaries are and so I don't know whether I mean Jonathan you seven some, some other information as well, like, I don't know how this I thought was

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a pretty nice line.

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Like let's just get the roads up there.

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Um, I was wondering what that consideration building it didn't get everyone.

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Wondering if it made more sense so yeah no that's, that's a good idea. But so this this was the line here was following 129.

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Right. And so that was, I thought a good, good barrier.

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Um, I don't know whether you know how far to the west. We want I mean; Do we want this crossover district to go.

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Perfection is hard to reach at this stage I think that with sin and Jonathan shared a document from I think associated Jewish charities, Baltimore, that the population question is quite spread out and you couldn't actually get all of it into a district,

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you can make, kind of, particularly for the Orthodox community with all its reasons to live closer together you can make a district that thousand that direction and acknowledges, even if it is not succeed and going up going spells or other more complicated

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and difficult things to do.

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Pikeville would be the one to keep together, orange know I know it's a little further out there and yeah well but let's talk about what is what is Pikesville so Pikeville is goes you know it's big goes all the way over here.

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So, but the Jewish community isn't all Pikeville right so and of course you know once you start looking at them.

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The Census blocks right.

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That you could say what I'm saying. So we can go maybe, maybe that maybe the barrier is, is this road right here, whatever it is, 140 or yeah 140.

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Looks like pretty good.

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Thunder Hmm.

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Does anyone know is, is there a vital part of the Jewish community that is a little bit to the west of that line that we need to know about or have one of 140.

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Right, or no I mean I felt that that the current boundary line between 16 and 15 dot 01 129 Yeah.

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I mean on the on the maps that you need me.

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The they see it seemed to be going farther in this way, but I don't know, like that when the, the a room that that's just like right here right and it's that limited to the web, the eastern part of this road.

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I'd have to look it up but

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I said just looking at the testimony that we received.

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And something they were talking about previous district 11 was trying to keep the Jewish community horn boredom or candidates stretches from falls road to all Pikeville enough to Owings Mills.

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Right, well, and that that just seems like too much here right, unless you're going to wear it. So this is the current senate district right. It goes up, but you can see the communities that that's right.

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But let me move this out of the way.

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Just, just to make it clear.

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The blue, the blue lines or the or the existing districts the black lines are so look at say Senate District 11 right so just a completely different now notice.

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Again, it's still obeys this line.

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So it doesn't it doesn't go over but if, you know, this goes way beyond what the Jewish community is. Yeah, right.

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Yeah, it's a mobile number district.

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Um, well look I'll just start working on this now and, and we'll, I'll get it to you and but please take a very close look at it.

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Tomorrow, so that we can make have sort of thoughtful and email me during the day, if there are edits that you think should be made to it.

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Um, and then we'll will progress that way.

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So any other comments for Professor facility, so he can start working.

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Right, hearing.

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Thank you.

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Sure.

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Yeah, and good luck with your other. I was gonna say we want to watch, I'll be testified before, you know, Josh Holly Rand Paul, Kristen cinema tomorrow at 10am, tune in 10am and finishing with us is nice, I am impressed professor, and then I'm getting

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You get enough sleep the night, no need you sleep deprived and saying the wrong thing and end up, I know.

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I don't know how all that works.

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But we will need you for tomorrow night I know that for sure. All right.

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Good luck professor is there anything else from the other members of the Commission.

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Okay. Hearing none, I need a motion to adjourn motor.

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Second.