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MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK IN SC: REDISTRICTING UPDATE

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS MAPS RELEASED

We will post video of our September 29 Zoom presentation on League redistricting maps in a few days. We regret the delay in getting this posted. The event was crashed by two vandals, one playing music and the other drawing on the screen. While they were evicted promptly, we prefer not to post the video until we remove their contributions. We will let you know when it is posted, and I hope those of you who couldn't participate in the original event will watch because we offer indepth information about why our maps have been drawn as they have.

In the meantime, our proposed maps are available on our website and, in much greater detail, at the Dave's Redistricting website. At Dave's, it is possible to pull up our map, access detailed demographic data at both precinct and district levels, see assessments of partisan leans, and more. Our maps are at

Househttps://tinyurl.com/3j2nykcSenatehttps://tinyurl.com/fydbbfzz

Congress https://tinyurl.com/crkamfz4

You can also create your own maps at Dave's by establishing a free account and drawing to express your own preferences. Data can be exported in a format useable with Maptitude, the software used by the SC General Assembly. So, if you want to submit your own maps to the General Assembly, get busy!

SENATE REDISTRICTING

October 8 is the deadline for submitting proposed maps to the Senate Redistricting Subcommittee. A convenient portal has been established for these submissions at

<u>https://redistricting.scsenate.gov/plansubmission.html</u>. The League of Women Voters has submitted our Congressional and Senate maps there and received prompt acknowledgement from Senate staff.

HOUSE REDISTRICTING

The one remaining public hearing by the House of Representatives is scheduled for Monday, October 4, at 4:30 PM in Blatt 110. In-person, virtual, and written testimony will be accepted at this meeting. To sign up to give virtual testimony on this date, email <u>virtualtestimony@schouse.gov</u> and specify October 4 as the date that you wish to testify. To testify in person, plan to sign up on arrival at the hearing. Written testimony should be sent to <u>redistricting@schouse.gov</u>.

At the September 28 hearing, House Redistricting Chair Jordan announced that House members will be scheduled by appointment for time in the map room with technical staff during the period October 4 – November 5.

The House has not announced any plans to receive third party map submissions, despite repeated requests for information on their plans. The League intends to submit our plans for Congressional and House maps to them in the next week, with a request that the committee inform us if the submission doesn't conform to their requirements in any way.

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