

Testimony from David Thornburgh Preliminary Legislative Maps

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The Constitution of Pennsylvania

§ 16. Legislative districts.

The Commonwealth shall be divided into 50 senatorial and 203 representative districts, which shall be composed of compact and contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable. Each senatorial district shall elect one Senator, and each representative district one Representative. Unless absolutely necessary no county, city, incorporated town, borough, township or ward shall be divided in forming either a senatorial or representative district. (Apr. 23, 1968, P.L.App.3, Prop. No.1)

What values matter most to 7,211 DTL mappers?

A state map that...

- 1. Features compact districts
- 2. Encourages competition
- 3. Respects communities of interest
- 4. Respects communities of color
- 5. Limits splits
- 6. Does not advantage either party
- 7. Does not protect incumbents



What values matter most to voters? 2019 statewide survey by PA Redistricting Reform Commission

A state map that...

- 1. Features compact districts
- 2. Limits splits
- 3. Encourages competitive elections
- 4. Represents communities of color fairly
- 5. Respects communities of interest
- 6. Does not advantage either party
- 7. Does not protect incumbents

Voters want balanced maps, reject partisan advantage

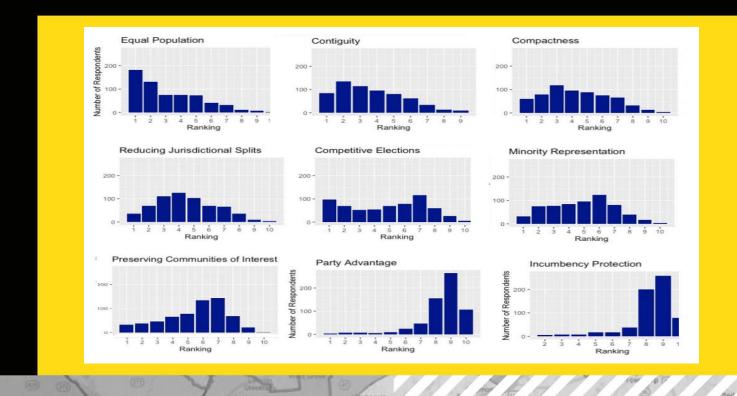
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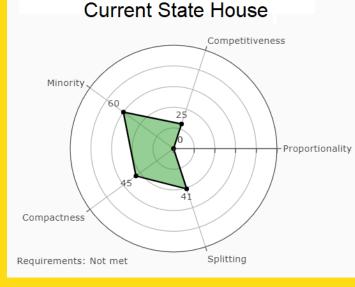
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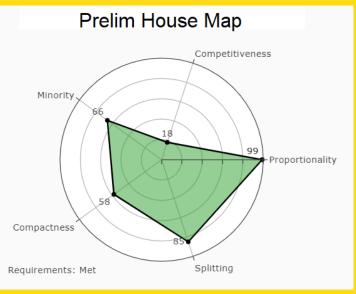


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Is the preliminary House map better?

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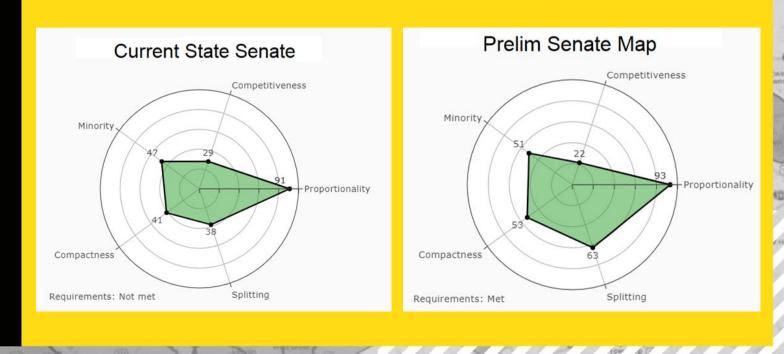
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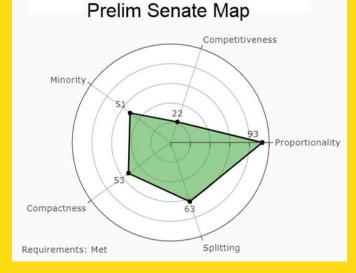
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Can we do better on the Senate map?

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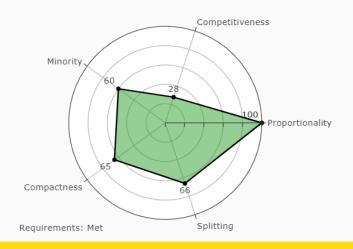


Citizen revisions to preliminary Senate map

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