

The 14 member independent California Citizens Redistricting Commission (commission) will hold public input meetings to solicit public comment regarding improvements to the statutory requirements stated in Propositions 11 and 20 that govern the commission and the redistricting process. The statutory language can be found on the commission's website ([link directly to info](#))

The commission is primarily interested in changes to the statutory requirements. Suggested changes to the Constitutional requirements, governing regulations, or to the general operations of the commission not required by statute will be accepted but will not be included in the amendment process contemplated in the spring legislative session. These changes *may* be addressed at a later date and/or in a different process.

The commission will take public testimony and consider it equally with suggested changes generated by individual commissioners or commission advisory committees. The commission will take the accumulated list and compare and contrast those suggestions with suggestions that may come from the government entities responsible for significant parts of the redistricting process or the commission's operation, including the Bureau of State Audits, the Secretary of State, and/or the Department of Finance. In the end, the commission will exercise its sole authority under Section 8251 (c) and vote, by special majority, on a final set of amendments that will be presented to the legislature and its staff for review, comment and suggested changes. Any subsequent changes to the statutory amendments proposed by the commission will be subject to a separate and final vote by the commission, utilizing a special majority vote, before any version of statutory amendments can be made final by a vote of the legislature.

The Commission would like to know the following:

What needs to be changed?

Why?

What does it need to be changed to?

Organized groups will be given a maximum of \_\_\_\_ minutes to give a presentation specific to statutory amendments. The commission will then reserve a maximum of \_\_\_\_ minutes for questions and responses regarding the proposed amendments. The commission's chair reserves the right to extend the length of time provided for a presentation or for the questions and responses that may be necessary during this process. The commission's chair also reserves the right to end any presentation at any time that is not specific to statutory amendments. Groups wishing to present to the Commission should send the name of their organization, names of individuals who will speak and a brief description of their group to [votersfrist@crc.ca.gov](mailto:votersfrist@crc.ca.gov) no later than January \_\_\_\_, 2012.

Individuals who wish to give testimony to the Commission can obtain a speaker number beginning one hour prior to that start of the input meeting. Speakers will be allotted \_\_\_\_ minutes for this testimony. All individual testimony will follow the group presentations after a 15 minute break.

Finally, if you or your group cannot attend the public input meetings the Commission encourages the use of alternative methods to submit testimony. This includes e-mail at [votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov](mailto:votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov), fax at 916-651-5711 or by mail to the Citizens Redistricting Commission, 901 P Street, Suite 154A, Sacramento, CA 95814.