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Subject: 1st Draft Maps

Message Body:

I compliment the Commission on the details of the 1st maps published. It appears to me that the Commission instructed the map makers to honor political subdivision lines, use nesting as a goal to be achieved, and that their work seeks to comply with the Voting Rights Act and equalizing the districts. The Commission did a wonderful job on the Congressional districts. I'm assuming that the commission believes that a variance of up to 3% or so for State offices will pass muster. My primary concern is that there is no legal precedent of which I am aware that would support that large a variance. On the other hand, I personally would have no objection to variances in that range if they can be upheld.

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