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Message:

Let's face it. Republicans want districts that will elect more Republicans. Democrats want districts that will elect more Democrats. And incumbents want districts that will keep them in office.

Consequently, line drawers try to draw districts to elect candidates of a particular political bend, based on the demographics of the area they will represent.

However, a lot of us don't fit into the boxes powerbrokers draw for us. We don't necessarily vote in the "interest" they perceive for us. We don't necessarily prefer to vote for the candidates who promise more for our demographic category. Furthermore, we dislike the feeling of being manipulated.

Districts should be drawn with only two considerations: That they should be roughly equal in population and reasonably compact. State legislators should direct computer experts to use census tracts and population numbers to produce maps based only on those considerations. Let the (computer) chips fall where they may.