

From: Christensen, Mike (Chelsea Lloyd)
To: LRSTAFF
BC: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 9/30/2011 5:45:18 PM
Subject: Special Session Bills
Attachments: Special Session October 2011.pdf, SB3001_000.pdf, SB3002_000.pdf, SB3003_000.pdf, HB3001_000.pdf, HB3002_000.pdf,

Attached is the special session call issued by Governor Herbert and the bills that address the call issues. To view the text of the redistricting bills, please view the attached documents. To view the maps referred to in the bill text, use the following links:

Utah State House Boundaries & Election Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/hb3001>

State Board of Education Boundaries & Election Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/hb3002>

Utah State Senate Boundaries & Election Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/sb3001>

Congressional Boundaries Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/sb3002>

If we can be of further assistance please call. Our main number is 801-538-1032. Thank you.

Michael Christensen

From: Legislative Automated Mailing System
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 9/30/2011 5:10:42 PM
Subject: STB: Numbered Bill - HB3001 (Utah State House Boundaries Designation)

File is now numbered and available on the web. (HB3001) (Utah State House Boundaries Designation)

Click here to view or print a copy of the bill <http://le.utah.gov/~2011S3/bills/hbillhtm/HB3001.pdf>

From: Legislative Automated Mailing System
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 9/30/2011 5:10:15 PM
Subject: STB: Numbered Bill - HB3002 (State Board of Education Boundaries and Election Designation)

File is now numbered and available on the web. (HB3002) (State Board of Education Boundaries and Election Designation)

Click here to view or print a copy of the bill <http://le.utah.gov/~2011S3/bills/hbillhtm/HB3002.pdf>

From: Ryan Wilcox
To: Kathryn Jackson, LH MEMBERS,
CC: Cindy Hardman
Date: 10/13/2011 9:30:03 PM
Subject: Re: GRAMA Request
Attachments: [Text.htm](#)

I don't smoke.

And I don't have any documents of which I am aware.

Love,

Ryan

Representative Ryan D. Wilcox
Utah House of Representatives
District 7 - Weber County
Tel. 801-200-5595

>>> Kathryn Jackson 10/13/11 3:38 PM >>>

Please read the attach GRAMA request and respond to me as soon as possible. We have 10 days from today to respond.

Thanks much for your assistance.

KJ

From: Ken Ivory
To: Kathryn Jackson, LH MEMBERS,
CC: Cindy Hardman
Date: 10/14/2011 9:22:24 AM
Subject: Re: GRAMA Request

No smoke, no docs.

Sent from myTouch 4G

----- Reply message -----

From: "Kathryn Jackson"
To: "LH MEMBERS" , "repjohndougall@gamil.com"
Cc: "Cindy Hardman"
Subject: GRAMA Request
Date: Thu, Oct 13, 2011 3:38 pm

>>> "Kathryn Jackson" 2011-10-13T15:38:55.397915 >>>

Please read the attach GRAMA request and respond to me as soon as possible. We have 10 days from today to respond.

Thanks much for your assistance.

KJ

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From: Jim Bird
To: Kathryn Jackson, LH MEMBERS,
CC: Cindy Hardman
Date: 10/14/2011 9:24:10 AM
Subject: Re: GRAMA Request
Attachments: [Text.htm](#)

I dont smoke either, I dont have any documents.

>>> Kathryn Jackson 10/13/11 3:38 PM >>>

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From: Mike Christensen
To: Bradley Daw, Brad Dee, Rebecca Edwards, Bill Wright, Bradley Last, Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Chris Herrod, Curtis Oda, Carol Moss, R. Webb, Christine Watkins, Carl Wimmer, David Butterfield, David Clark, Don Ipson, David Litvack, Dixon Pitcher, Dean Sanpei, Eric Hutchings, Evan Vickers, Francis Gibson, Fred Cox, Gage Froerer, Greg Hughes, Johnny Anderson, Janice Fisher, Joel Briscoe, Jack Draxler, Jim Dunnigan, Jim Nielson, John Mathis, Jennifer Seelig, Kay Mccliff, Keith Grover, Ken Ivory, Kraig

Dear Legislators:

Attached are the redistricting maps of the four bills you passed. There are 29 maps that show substantial detail of these plans. I hope you find them helpful as you discuss these bills with your constituents. Thanks for letting us help you in this long and draining process. If you have questions don't hesitate to call us.

Mike

From: "Michael Jensen"
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Kenneth Sumsion, Melvin Brown, Merlynn Newbold, Neal Hendrickson, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups
Date: 10/3/2011 8:25:40 AM
Subject: west Provo should be kept within the Provo/Orem senate district.

Please, Help.

west Provo should be kept within the Provo/Orem senate district.

Thanks

Michael Jensen

433 W 2150 S

Provo, Ut 84601

From: Dave Iltis
To: Kenneth Sumsion, Michael Waddoups
Date: 10/3/2011 9:04:46 AM
Subject: Redistricting
Attachments: Mime.822

Dear Mr. Waddoups and Mr. Sumsion,

You probably play poker with a marked set of cards. Your plan, and justification for it, are really disgusting.

You should choose to do the right thing, and create a fair redistricting proposal, not a sham.

You need to follow what most citizens have wanted, a 'doughnut hole' plan. You also need to start over with a non-partisan redistricting commission. What you have done is insulting to all Utahns.

I'm sure, however, that you are enjoying the eggs from the chicken coop.

Sincerely,

Dave Iltis
1124 4th Ave
Salt Lake City, UT 84103-4123
801-328-2066

From: "Ellen Brady"
BC: Kenneth Sumsion, Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/3/2011 10:40:14 AM
Subject: Redistricting
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Utah Legislator:

I'm writing to protest the current redistricting plan. The notion that rural and urban districts should be 'blended' is absurd, as it results in districts that represent neither set of interests well. And in this case, it seems specially designed to silence the voice of the most populous area in the state -- Salt Lake County. As a resident of Salt Lake County, which is now split into four districts, I can assure you that I personally feel totally disenfranchised by the current plan. Specifically, I now reside in the newly formed District 4, drawn by all accounts to ensure the election of Rep Carl Wimmer to Congress. He does not and never will reflect my positions on issues that affect me personally or, more broadly, this country, Utah, or Salt Lake County. Representation is more than one-person-one vote. It also involves ensuring that areas of mutual interest are left intact such that they have a collective voice that can be heard. Salt Lake County will be deprived of that representation in Congress, should you adopt the plan before you.

Ellen

Ellen Brady
801-272-1590

From: "Cathey Lukes"
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Kenneth Sumsion, Melvin Brown, Merlynn Newbold, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups
Date: 10/4/2011 12:26:46 PM
Subject: Redistricting

I am a 57 year old woman living in Sugarhouse. I pay taxes, own my home, and a single parent of a 25 year recent Westminster College graduate (now a manager at Walmart). I never collected one dime of child support nor did I want any. I was and still capable of supporting my child. I am white and Catholic. Before you think "liberal" think again.

I am disgusted with the arrogance of the final maps presented. The absolute disregard for the public's input during all of the meetings held throughout the summer went completely unheard. I have NOTHING in common with people in rural areas and they have NOTHING in common with me. Your heavy hand in every aspect of life in Utah is repugnant. You all claim to be members of the LDS Church. You have NOTHING in common with present day Christians. Do you think Jesus would be proud of what you are doing? I think NOT!

In any other state I would be considered either Independent or Republican. In Utah, I lean more towards the Democrats because they have compassion, respect, and more integrity than the ultra fair right Republicans in this state. It scares me so much because the way you Republicans rule it reminds me of communism. As in a dictatorship, where you command how people vote, act, live, and love.

Please do the right thing for every Utah citizen!

Thank you,

Catherine A. Lukes
1853 South 600 East
Salt Lake City, UT 84105
801.649.6000

From: "Cathey Lukes"
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Kenneth Sumsion, Melvin Brown, Merlynn Newbold, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups
Date: 10/4/2011 11:59:09 AM
Subject: Redistricting

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From: Kim Higginson
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Kenneth Sumsion, Melvin Brown, Merlynn Newbold, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups
Date: 10/4/2011 10:46:00 AM
Subject: Ipson Map

Due to the last minute notice, I can't make it to any public hearings today, but I want to make it known that I do not approve of the congressional map presented by Rep. Ipson. I believe it's an attempt to meet the Governor's own political agenda, and that to me is wrong. At the very least, I feel that two districts should be urban and two mainly rural. The federal land issue is a poor excuse for a map like this, and in my opinion is a special interest.

As Terry Mundorff so eloquently stated in this morning's Tribune: "Article I, Section 3 provides for at-large elected officials whose purpose it is to represent the state as a whole. They are called senators, not representatives".

Kim Higginson
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Salt Lake City, UT 84121
801-560-9445

From: Derek B. Miller
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/4/2011 8:44:12 AM
Subject: From the Governor's Office

Representative Sumsion,

Thanks for your time yesterday. I left you a voice message last night, but recognizing that you are extremely busy I thought it would be more effective to send you this email - essentially to reiterate that the Governor is not pushing for ONE specific map over another. The reason I wanted to speak to you is because we continue to read articles and comments attributing the Governor's name to a specific map or indicating that the Governor is pushing for specific boundaries.

As you know from our meeting, that is not the case. The Governor recognizes that how the finished map is created and where the specific boundaries are drawn is the constitutional purview of the Legislature. We appreciate your help in communicating to members in your body that the Governor's desire is for an urban/rural mix in each of the four congressional districts so that Utah has as many voices as possible in DC advocating for both urban issues, as well as rural issues such as management of public lands and energy development. I am certain there are a number of maps that would meet this criteria and be acceptable to the Governor. I also spoke to Joe Pyrah last night asking that he reiterate the Governor's position with the Speaker.

Please call me if you would like to discuss further.

Thanks again.

Derek

P.S. Thanks for your hard work on this process through the Summer and congratulations on the overwhelming support on the Utah House map. The 74 out of 75 votes in favor was a resounding affirmation of the fair and balanced approach and outcome on this map!

Derek B. Miller
Chief of Staff
Office of Governor Gary R. Herbert

****State agencies' hours of operations are Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and closed on Friday.****

From: Wendy
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/4/2011 8:27:14 AM
Subject: Tooele
Attachments: Mime.822

I was just reading through map redraws this morning. I have one huge concern with removing Tooele from Rep District 2. Given Bishop's previous dealings with Energy Solutions, I see it as very concerning that Bishop would assume representation of that area. I suggest that representation of that area specifically not be given to Bishop to ensure there is no conflict of interest.

Wendy Hickman

Sent from my iPod

From: Tania Knauer
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Kenneth Sumsion, Melvin Brown, Merlynn Newbold, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups
Date: 10/4/2011 7:25:52 PM
Subject: Redistricting

Dear Redistricting Commission;

I did a redistricting experiment with my 13 year old. I gave her a map of Utah (with cities and counties included), a box of crayons and a set of rules:

- 1) Keep counties together
- 2) If a county is too big to fit in one district, then keep the cities together
- 3) If a city is too big, keep a school district/neighborhood together

Using Cerulean, Cadet Blue, Carnation Pink, Mango Tango....as well as the population sizes for house and senate districts, she created some maps that were not only pretty, but much better than the maps created by legislators, their lawyers and hundreds of thousands of tax payer dollars. Maybe because she has no idea where any legislator lives or whether a district should be colored in red or blue, maybe that's why her maps were fair....I don't know, you decide.

Sad really, creating fair maps is not rocket science, it's cartography and a lack of political bias. People who are worried about their own re-election should not be drawing their own voting district. To say this is government 101 is an understatement of Founding Father proportions. Shame on all of you for prioritizing political gain over democracy.

Shame on all of you for wasting tax payer money.

Shame on all of you for trouncing around the state giving people the impression that you were listening to them.

Shame on all of you for once again making the Utah redistricting process a mockery of Democracy.

Shame on all of you for putting together a committee that was so biased from the start, it was a comical joke (15-5 really?).

Shame on all of you for putting together a set of rules and guidelines so vague that they mean nothing.

Shame on all of you for not being willing to put any academics, metrics or a scorecard into this process (other than population deviation).

Here we are in the eleventh hour bickering over maps that don't take into consideration even one of the maps citizens painstakingly put together or any of the multitude of comments from citizens all over the state "keep our communities together" - all this bickering has only to do with securing incumbency - rewarding loyalty, penalizing others. Pathetic.....

The Congressional map is terrible and the State Senate map is worse. Maybe someone will get an epiphany and realize what we need to do is to start over and let some experts do this - how about an independent commission?

Disgusted with the Utah legislature,

Tania Knauer

Summit County resident - the only small rural county that legislators can't seem to keep together

From: cameron robinson
To: Kenneth Sumsion, mmadsen@utahsenate.org, cameron robinson
Date: 10/4/2011 5:30:00 PM
Subject: Constituent: Congressional Redistricting Vote
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Hello,

As my legislative representatives, I'm writing to urge you to reconsider the "Garber CDs D" congressional map in the redistricting meetings to be held tonight. I have been following the redistricting process for some time now and have looked at the various maps and public input and this one is by far the simplest, most partisan free, and maintains the 1 person 1 vote philosophy which drives the process.

Representative Sumsion, I was very pleased to see that you were chosen to head up the committee from the beginning, as I have long held you to be extremely fair and principled. I appreciate the hard work that has gone into this process, and the many late nights you have spent traveling and creating these maps. As this process heads to a close I feel I can still call you fair and principled, despite much of the rhetoric bandied about in the media.

I know there are many considerations made in this process, and many influences at play. As a concerned and involved citizen I would urge you both to lobby and vote for the "Garber CDs D" congressional map. It is fair, it keeps communities whole, and it simply makes the most sense of all the maps which have been presented.

Thank you,

Cameron Robinson
Eagle Mountain
801-960-0894

From: Fred Cox
To:
BC: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/5/2011 9:09:47 PM
Subject: Re: Congress Map Z
Attachments: [Text.htm](#)

Leonard,

I spent too much time on your map trying to not divide cities instead of following major roads. I have it down to a little of Taylorsville, Sandy and left your split of Salt Lake City alone with a minor tweak to balance it.

As you had before only one county is split in the entire state. That was pretty impressive. I am not sure Salt Lake City will like it, but it is likely to be divided somewhere.

I am down to 12 people off but don't have any more time now. I haven't submitted it yet. It is public. Districts 1 and 2 are at zero off.

It would need to be a 3 way trade or divide a 4th city to finish as all need to be at zero but one district at 1.

I have tried the 3 way trade more than once, but you have to use the ID button to see the block total and I am hoping to get someone using the workstation software to help.

Your lines are pretty using roads, but there is some advantage of using city boundaries. I am not sure which the committee would like or if they like it at all.

I think it is one of the best public maps submitted, but that is just my opinion.

Rep. Fred C. Cox

PS, my version of the map is under utah_1 for the map:
Fair 4 Utah - Leonard S. Plazier - Rep. Cox Modified

Leonard,

Thank You for submitting it to the public website. I like the overall idea of not splitting counties. The good news is the committee will be looking at maps on Friday. I think it is worth looking at.

Who knows if yours will be the winner. I am not sure about dividing some of the southern counties that want to be together.

Rep. Fred Cox

>>> Leonard Plazier 10/05/11 11:20 AM >>>
Rep. Fred Cox

I think your congressional map Z in on the right track.

I live in South Davis county. Please do not split Davis county. We have enough North South Davis county issue. One way to kept all but Salt Lake county together is by moving Cache and Rich counties from district 1 into 2 and putting all of Davis, Morgan and some of Salt Lake county into district 1 from 2.

Please review my Fair 4 Utah plan. (Image attached).
Fair 4 Utah plan is

From: Safi Safiullah
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/6/2011 5:11:04 PM
Subject: Panel Discussion--Re-districting Utah
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Rep Sumsion,

On behalf of the Salt Lake City Public Library I would like to invite you to come to our library to participate in a panel discussion about re-redistricting Utah on October 11 at 7:00 p.m. We would like to make it as civil discussion for the benefit of the community members and will remain neutral to the topic. Please let me know asap whether you will be interested to join this discussion.

Thank you.

Sincerely
Safi

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Safi S. M. Safiullah
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From:
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/7/2011 9:57:16 PM
Subject: Redistricting for Federal House of Representatives
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

I am a republican voter who, according to the new redistricting maps will be in your district after the shift this winter. I would normally vote Republican, however with the decisions you have made in the redistricting process, I have begun to notice a few things. The way that the redistricting is being done obviously unfairly to maintain Republican majorities in all of the districts, and giving the rural areas of Utah no voice because of always being overruled by the majority of the more populated areas makes me gag. You said that the way the people voted would have nothing to do with the redistricting process. It would be on population, etc. You have shown yourself to be a manipulator and a liar. I would never vote for a person with either of these qualities, and would campaign for your opponent. Please reconsider your choices and vote the way that the honest people you represent would vote. Putting two of our current representatives in the same district that is a republican majority is unfair to the people who voted for Jim Matheson. There is a rumor that if that happens Mr. Matheson may run for governor. He would have my vote if only because I am currently embarrassed to be a Utah Republican.

Loretta Johnson
American Fork, Utah

From: Safi Safiullah
To: maryann, azeigler
CC: Kenneth Sumsion, Ben McAdams
Date: 10/7/2011 3:15:04 PM
Subject: Fwd: Redistricting Utah PDF
Attachments: Redistricting Utah.pdf, Mime.822

Dear all
Here is the pdf copy of the flier, please post and distribute.
Thanks.

Safi

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Darlene Pulver"
To: "Safi Safiullah"
Cc: "Communications Staff"
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 1:23:29 PM GMT -07:00 US/Canada Mountain
Subject: Redistricting Utah PDF

Safi -

Here is the PDF I am making copies and will place in the boxes on Level 5 and deliveries to branches with in the half hour.

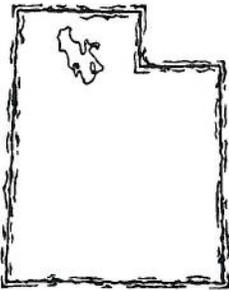
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Redistricting Utah: A Community Process

**Tuesday, October 11 • 7 p.m.
Main Library Auditorium**



Every ten years, governments in Utah redraw their district boundaries based on census reports and reapportionment results. Redistricting impacts the boundaries for U.S. House of Representatives, the State House of Representatives,

Utah Senate, and the Utah State Board of Education. As local, state, and national elections approach in November, drawing appropriate district boundaries can have big impacts on who is representing whom in several levels of government. As Utah's Legislative Redistricting Committee submitted their plan of redistricting to the legislators, a community debate arose about the redistricting process.

Three local experts will discuss the redistricting process and answer questions at this public event:

- **Maryann Martindale**, Executive Director, Alliance for a Better UTAH

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- **Senator Benjamin M. McAdams**, District 2, Minority Caucus Manager, Utah State Senate, and member 2011 Redistricting Committee
 - **Representative Kenneth W. Sumsion**, District 56, Chair of the 2011 Redistricting Committee

The discussion will be moderated by **Dr. Timothy Mark Chambliss**, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Hinckley Institute of Politics, University of Utah.

Redistricting Utah is sponsored by Alliance for a Better UTAH; the League of Women Voters of Utah; the Hinckley Institute of Politics, University of Utah; and The City Library.

10/7/11



The City Library

**Main Library
210 East 400 South
801-524-8200
www.slcp.org**

From: "Ellen Brady"
BC: Kenneth Sumsion, Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/7/2011 1:43:36 PM
Subject: Redistricting
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Representative or Senator:

I am pleased that the legislature has 'stepped back to take another look' relative to redistricting, as it was clear from the map under consideration at that time did not represent the concerns of many Utah citizens. That is, the map did not keep communities of interest intact in any meaningful sense of the word. Specifically, the 'pizza slice' approach to Salt Lake County completely disenfranchised that population by carving it into four pieces and linking three to rural areas with enough population to overpower the urban voice.

Unfortunately, it appears that the 'revised' plan, developed behind closed doors and without public input only worsens the situation by linking the new District 4 to rural areas as well. This approach serves no one well -- urban or rural -- and represents a total travesty that can only be described as blatant gerrymandering for partisan gain. The comments of Becky Lockhart and others chastising questioners who dared suggest that this approach disenfranchised voters and weakened democracy by replying that 'this is a Republic' (don't you know stupid) and 'no Republican or Democrat' will be deprived of a vote under this plan' only underscores the blatant disregard of this legislature for those you are supposed to represent and a lack of understanding of many prior court rulings that underscore the importance of preserving communities of interest in order to protect the ability of those groups to be effectively heard. Additionally, claims that you 'listened to the public' have been nullified by your subsequent redrawing of the lines behind closed doors and the destruction by some members of email communications relevant to the process. Prior to this, efforts to silence the voice of Utahns by creating impossibly high barriers to citizen petitions only further underscores this disregard. The voices of the many thousands who signed a petition asking for an independent redistricting commission have been ignored. I am confident that, had the bar not been set quite so high and had online signatures been acceptable, the initiative would have been on the ballot and would have passed.

Please astonish me and truly step back far enough to consider and implement a plan that does not disenfranchise the urban majority population of this state. We will be heard -- if not now, at the ballot box come November.

Ellen

Ellen Brady
801-272-1590

From: Safi Safiullah
To: Kenneth Sumsion, Ben McAdams, maryann, Rochelle M. Parker, Tim Chambless, All Staff, Exploring New Ideas Committee,
Date: 10/7/2011 12:27:27 PM
Subject: Fwd: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: City Library to Host Redistricting Discussion
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear all:
Please forward this message to your friends, family and to the public.
Thank you.
Safi

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Julianne Hancock"
To: "Julianne Hancock"
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 12:18:07 PM GMT -07:00 US/Canada Mountain
Subject: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: City Library to Host Redistricting Discussion

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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City Library to Host Redistricting Discussion

Maryann Martindale, Senator Ben McAdams, Rep Ken Sumsion to discuss redistricting process

October 7, 2011 – SALT LAKE CITY – The City Library will host a discussion about the hotly debated redistricting process on October 11 at 7:00 p.m. Redistricting Utah: A Community Process will be moderated by Dr. Tim Mark Chambless, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science at the Hinckley Institute of Politics, University of Utah. The speakers will be Maryann Martindale, Executive Director, Alliance for a Better UTAH; Senator Benjamin M. McAdams (D), Minority Caucus Manager of the Utah State Senate and member of the 2011 Redistricting Committee; and Representative Kenneth W. Sumsion (R), Chair of the 2011 Redistricting Committee.

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From: Safi Safiullah
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/7/2011 11:09:24 AM
Subject: Re: Panel Discussion--Re-districting Utah
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Good Morning Ken,

Yes, we will end by 8:00 p.m. There will be a QA session from 7:50 p.m. for 10 or a few more minutes.
Thank you.

Safi

----- Original Message -----

From: "Kenneth Sumsion"
To: ssafiullah@slcpl.org
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2011 8:11:43 AM GMT -07:00 US/Canada Mountain
Subject: Re: Panel Discussion--Re-districting Utah

Safi,

Can you agree to put an end time on this meeting. Eight would be great. That would allow a few minutes to finish up after eight. Will that work?

Ken

Sent from myTouch 4G

----- Reply message -----

From: "Safi Safiullah "
To: "Kenneth Sumsion"
Subject: Panel Discussion--Re-districting Utah
Date: Thu, Oct 6, 2011 5:10 pm

>>> "Safi Safiullah " 2011-10-06T17:11:05.648925 >>>

Dear Rep Sumsion,

On behalf of the Salt Lake City Public Library I would like to invite you to come to our library to participate in a panel discussion about re-redistricting Utah on October 11 at 7:00 p.m. We would like to make it as civil discussion for the benefit of the community members and will remain neutral to the topic. Please let me know asap whether you will be interested to join this discussion.

Thank you.

Sincerely
Safi

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From: Derek B. Miller
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/7/2011 9:58:35 AM
Subject: Re: From the Governor's Office

Thank you Representative. I can't even imagine the volume of email and phone calls you are dealing with, so the delayed response is perfectly understandable.

Regarding your question about the what the Governor would or would not support, I would simply reiterate that he is not focused on any particular map or any particular boundaries but rather the principle that each congressional district should have an urban/rural mix so that each member of Congress is attentive to the needs of both constituencies. Given these broad parameters and the support that has been expressed by many members of both the House and Senate for the same approach we are confident that a veto would not be an issue.

Again, thanks for your leadership in the process. We understand that there is substantive disagreement between the House and Senate at this point on the congressional map. If there is anything our office can do to help in the resolution, please don't hesitate to let us know.

Best,

Derek

Derek B. Miller
Chief of Staff
Governor Gary R. Herbert
State of Utah
>>> Kenneth Sumsion 10/6/2011 8:48 PM >>>

Thank you.
I apologize for not getting back with you. I have had dozens and dozens of calls and emails. I did get your voicemail late yesterday.

I am interested to know if the Governor will veto any plan that is short of these expectations? Since Allie alluded to it at the end of our meeting?

We are now simply trying to find common ground with the Senate.

Rep Ken Sumsion

Sent from myTouch 4G

----- Reply message -----
From: "Derek B. Miller"
To: "Kenneth Sumsion"
Subject: From the Governor's Office
Date: Tue, Oct 4, 2011 8:43 am

>>> "Derek B. Miller" 2011-10-04T08:43:56.754843 >>>

From: Debbie Swenson
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/6/2011 10:55:04 PM
Subject: State School Board map
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Rep. Sumsion,

I noticed that you submitted a new State School Board map on RedistrictUtah today. I have contacted my Representative (Mike Morley) and Rep. Francis Gibson a few times (even before the passage of the School Board map) about a problem in my community with the School Board map. I live in Salem Utah. Not a large city. I noticed that the State school board map that was adopted takes a small jut out of Salem and puts it into a different district. It seems that with as large as the districts are, the few people who are affected wouldn't unbalance the districts if they were left with the rest of the city. I spent time submitting a map, but for some reason it has never come up on the website, even though I got a confirmation email. I am unable to attend the meeting tomorrow (Friday) and will not be available but would hope that this small change won't add to the headaches that you are obviously dealing with already. Good luck in your meeting.

Sincerely,

Debbie Swenson

From: Wendy
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/6/2011 9:22:25 PM
Subject: Re: Tooele
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Thanks for the reply! Good luck with that redraw - sounds like things are pretty crazy.

Wendy

Sent from my iPod

On Oct 6, 2011, at 8:37 PM, "Kenneth Sumsion" wrote:

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> Hi Wendy,

> You are great. I do appreciate your detailed involvement. That has not been raised as an issue to this point. I don't know where we will end up after the house and senate couldn't agree.

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> The base map had it going south ward.

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> Usually the discussion is to keep all the military installations in one seat.

> Thanks

> Ken

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> Sent from myTouch 4G

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> ----- Reply message -----

> From: "Wendy "

> To: "Kenneth Sumsion"

> Subject: Tooele

> Date: Tue, Oct 4, 2011 8:25 am

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>>>> "Wendy " 2011-10-04T08:25:51.808221 >>>

> I was just reading through map redraws this morning. I have one huge concern with removing Tooele from Rep District 2. Given Bishop's previous dealings with Energy Solutions, I see it as very concerning that Bishop would assume representation of that area. I suggest that representation of that area specifically not be given to Bishop to ensure there is no conflict of interest.

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> Wendy Hickman

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> Sent from my iPod

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From:
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/8/2011 12:29:04 PM
Subject: Redistricting
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

I think map #7 by Brian King is the best choice by far. This is my vote.

From: "W. Preston Green"
To: Kenneth Sumsion
Date: 10/8/2011 12:11:17 PM
Subject: redistricting for utah
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Honorable Mr. Sumsion

I am writing to express my support for Mr. King's approach to redrawing the congressional districts in Utah in a logical, reasonable manner that reflects the need for all of Utah's citizens to have a voice in the United States Congress. My preference is for Mr. King's substitute #5 or #8, the maps are not of high enough quality to allow me to tell the difference between the two. From the beginning, I have favored, as does the Daily Herald, the idea of a simple map: Utah Valley as one district, Salt Lake as another, and Davis/Weber as a third. Most importantly, this gives rural Utah its own full-time representative in Congress. The idea that an urban-rural mix gives more voice to the rural citizens is ridiculous.

As an alternative, King #7 also makes the most sense. The only weakness is the division of Pleasant Grove, but this could be fixed by a population swap with district four. The rural areas of either district could be used in the swap.

The other maps are obvious gerrymandering. That stinks. If it is the goal to silence all other voices in the state except those of the Urban Republicans, then these maps accomplish their purpose. Salt Lake County is being silenced by chopping it up in as many pieces as possible, so no representative will need to listen to them to gain re-election. The rural voice is likewise silenced. And the extreme right wing will be able to control everything through closed partisan politics. This is your idea of representative government?

I am very disappointed in the actions of the redistricting committee. All show, no substance. Are you people so involved in self-deception that you cannot see the reality of what you are doing? Mr. Kane laments that the Utah's delegation would be fractured. It's SUPPOSED to be fractured, with each representative reflecting the views of a different area of Utah. Senators have the duty to represent the state as a whole. Utah's citizenry is not monolithic, its Congressional delegation should reflect that.

Another legislator lamented that the Democrat's noise about the process was making people want to be less involved in Utah politics. Again, another self-deception: it is the closed system that you, the current officeholders offer, where the extreme right gets the voice (note the Open Government Law and the actions on immigration at the Republican Convention) and makes Utah look like a laughingstock in the national and international arena. Could we engineer a government where the more moderate voices control as they represent the true majority of Utahns.

As a new member of your district, **I would urge you to put aside your personal and supposed Party agenda, and do what is best for Utah and its people.** Use your position and influence to get reasonable districts that allow everyone to have a voice in Congress and the legislature. I think my greatest fears are that these shenanigans will reflect unfavorably on Utah and the Church.