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I don't understand for the life of me why districts get drawn the way that they do. There is a VERY simple and non-partisan method that should provide all of the needed diversity and equality in laying out districts for representation.

Mathematics and Zip Codes... Yes, it really is that easy.

You know how many people need to be represented, and how many representatives the state will have.

So if there are 40 million people in California and 53 representatives, that would be 754,717 people per district. So you pick a variation number of +/- 5% or 7% and know that each district will need to have a minimum and a maximum number of people in it.

Then you also know how many people from the census are in each postal zip code. So you start at the top of the state and just add up zip codes until that district No. 1 reaches the minimum number, cut it off and then start adding up people for No. 2. Keep going through the state like this and when you get to the higher population centers, well, guess what; there will be more representatives because there are more people. Of course, once you get to the end, you may need to make some zip code adjustments to balance the districts population numbers better, but it really should be his easy.

This method would not be political since odds are it would often cut right through politics parties areas. It would also not care what the ethnic makeup is. Personally, are we not all Americans? Last time I checked, America is a melting pot of people from all over the world.

Anyhow, thanks for the read...

Cheers,
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