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30 August, 2021

From:  
Roger D. Brumfield  
Cabell County Executive Committee  
District 4 representative  
Address:

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to discuss the redistricting issue currently taking place.

Cabell County it seems has been put in a position to which we stand to lose at least one representative of our current six. I am fully aware of the mathematical formula by which this decision is being made. However I feel this formula is flawed in some respects.

The population of said county is constantly in flux. Huntington is poorly run and has been for decades. Cabell County, also, has been run poorly. Policies, both local and state, have caused a cascade effect of both business and people leaving Huntington and Cabell County. The problem specifically with the population is this particular area has an amount of people who left the immediate area but still live close for work purposes. We are unique in the fact that on a daily basis two other states and several counties have a great many people in this area. Huntington itself is spread into Wayne County. Our legislative districts cover Cabell, and parts of Wayne and Lincoln Counties. Furthermore, Huntington has Marshall University whose students range between nine thousand and up to twelve thousand depending on enrollment. Huntington also has a very large transient population that cannot be counted effectively when trying to apply census numbers to a mathematical formula. I am bringing this up because even though these populations I have mentioned may not count when it comes to the census, or when voting for our legislators, every law that is passed and every legislator who passes a law for this area does affect these individuals, for better or for worse, the same as all the people counted. I respectfully ask that you take this into consideration.

Sincerely,

Roger D. Brumfield