



Dear State Contact and Local League Leaders,

Please find below the latest report submitted by Jean Fredlund on the redistricting meetings held weekly. As promised, the LWVCO is sending frequent updates from the LWVCO Redistricting Committee to keep all members informed of the progress.

Please share this report with your members.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the State League's redistricting reform efforts, please reach out to your state board liaison or any LWVCO board member.

Thank you for your help on this important Colorado issue.

Toni Larson
President, LWVCO

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On Wednesday, March 7th, two initiatives have been agreed on by both Fair Districts Colorado (FDC) and People Not Politicians (PNP). PNP is a group of progressive groups that includes such organizations as Common Cause, NAACP, and Mi Familia Vota. The two groups gave on some details and got on some details that were sticking points ending in everybody's satisfaction and/or agreement. The latest versions (congressional and legislative) are being written and will be finished shortly. At this point it is mostly a case of careful proofing.

The next step is the state legislature to try to get our initiatives on the ballot as referred measures to amend the constitution. As most of you know, this could take some time, and the legislature is very busy right now.

Because we don't know if the legislator will actually pass our proposals, the plan is to go ahead and start gathering signatures very soon so we will have enough to get it on the ballot that way if necessary.

The other thing we are not sure about is whether the Colorado Supreme Court will throw out the requirement to get signatures in every senate district in the state. It looks likely it will, but that depends on what information the Colorado Secretary of State sends to the court later this week.

Once again, I'll let you know when I know. Thanks for your attention and interest to this important issue.

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