



President Kenneth L. Huston

August 24, 2021

Prison Gerrymandering No More in PA

The NAACP Legal Defense Fund, defines *prison gerrymandering* as "counting incarcerated persons as residents of the areas where they are housed when election district lines are drawn. This practice distorts our democratic process by artificially inflating the population count—and thus, the political influence — of the districts where prisons and jails are located. As a result, the voting power of everyone living outside of those districts is weakened."

The state panel authorized under the Pennsylvania Constitution to draw state legislative district lines is the Legislative Reapportionment Commission (LRC). In a 3-2 vote on August 24, 2021, a resolution was adopted to count state prison inmates at their home addresses, instead of the addresses of their prisons when determining legislative district boundaries. Testimony provided by President Huston was read into the record. The link to the resolution is **here**.

http://aws.redistricting.state.pa.us/Redistricting/Resources/

50th Anniversary
of the
26th Amendment
to the US Constitution

This amendment was ratified on July 1, 1971 lowering the voting age to 18.



BACK TO SCHOOL



As students return back to school this week, Pennsylvania through the Department of Health Order mandates that masks will be required in all Pennsylvania public and private schools as well as childcare facilities. This requirement is for all students, teachers, and staff to wear face coverings when inside, regardless of vaccination status.

- Additionally, make sure students are getting adequate sleep;
- *They should eat breakfast;*
- Take or eat a nutritious lunch:
- Complete homework daily and parents should check to make sure they have what is needed to do homework.

LABOR DAY

Honors the American labor movement and the contributions workers have made to society.



Jobs from the Labor & Industry Committee

Carter Spruill, Chair



We continue to campaign and contact legislators until we get the minimum wage changed to \$15.00.

LABOR DAY

More Jobs Available:

PA Department of Labor & Industry

SkillUp® PA our new statewide FREE job training program was just launched!

Trainings will be offered in:

- Accounting/Finance
- Clerical
- Customer service
- Human Resources
- 1.T.
- Marketing

And more! Learn

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Jobs in the Bucks County Vicinity



Are you ready to hire a new employee?

Before you even begin your search, contact us and ask about ON-THE-JOB Training Reimbursements!

You may be qualified to recover up to 50% of your training costs.

Are you an EMPLOYER looking for new hires? Click here!



Have you recently:

- Moved?
- Changed your name?
- Want to check your voter registration status?

Visit <u>votesPA.com/Register</u> to check and make any changes by October 18, 2021.

Next election is November 2, 2021.