

To: Whom it may concern

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Subject: Comments to the Census Bureau regarding their proposed 2020 Census Residence Rule and Residence Situations

Please consider the following arguments in making this decision:

- The Census Bureau is wrong to consider incarcerated people as residents of the correctional facility because this constitutes gerrymandering and further disenfranchises poor voters. In Oregon, incarcerated individuals cannot vote and are concentrated into 15 facilities in 12 legislative districts. This non-voting population artificially inflates the relative strength of people living near the prison, while decreasing the relative strength of their community of origin.
- The Census Bureau has chosen to continue counting people in the wrong place, ensuring an inaccurate 2020 Census. This practice weakens the vote of people from districts where the inmates have been subtracted from the count. When added to the fact the the inmates are not allowed to vote this issue of gerrymandering is compounded.

Please put a stop to this corrupt political practice.

Sincerely,

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