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## LIBERTARIANS JOIN FIGHT AGAINST 1981 REDISTRICTING PLAN

OAKLAND--The Libertarian Party of California has joined the effort to overturn the state legislature's 1981 reapportionment plan.

Meeting in South San Francisco on October 11, the Libertarian state executive committee voted to endorse the current petition and referendum effort that is necessary to repeal the new redistricting law. The Libertarians said that the 1981 plan was "designed to thwart the desire of the voters for political change." At the same time, the Libertarians condemned both Republicans and Democrats for their similar past efforts to gerrymander district lines.

"This is a gerrymander aimed at entrenching in power politicians whose views the voters no longer agree with," said Libertarian state chairman Bill Evers. "Most deplorable of all is the disenfranchisement of hundreds of thousands of voting taxpayers in the trickily renumbered State Senate districts in Orange County and on the San Francisco peninsula."

"For two years, people in these districts will have no State Senator in Sacramento who could defend them against raids on their pocketbooks, but they still have to pay taxes. Taxation with representation is bad enough," said Evers. "Taxation without representation is what George III did to the American colonies."

Petitions to repeal the 1981 redistricting law will be available from the Libertarian Party's state headquarters in Oakland and from its county central committees.