



**Washington State  
Redistricting Commission**

# **Commissioner Tom Huff**

December 29, 2011

# Close to finishing an important job

- We have agreed to create a majority Hispanic 15<sup>th</sup> Legislative District and we were within **1 percentage point** of reaching a final agreement.
- Commissioner Foster's decision to walk away from negotiations on December 28 was a surprise and could jeopardize 11 months of commission efforts.
- This tactic is a major setback in the 11<sup>th</sup> hour.

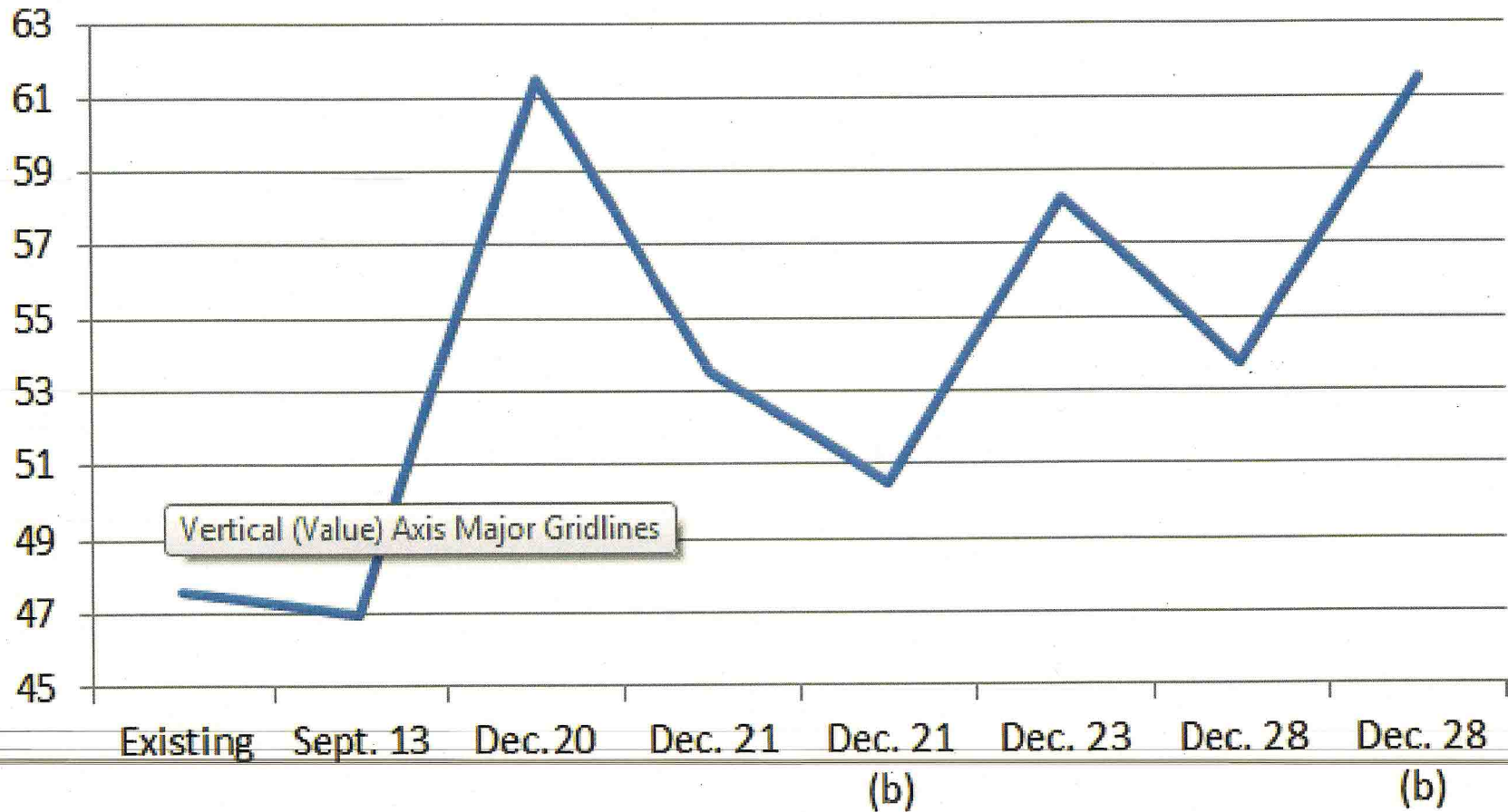
# Important progress stalled

- Out of 11 eastern Washington legislative districts, 9 were agreed upon.
  - 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Legislative Districts are undecided.
- Commissioner Foster offered a **50.49%** Hispanic index for the 15<sup>th</sup> Legislative District on December 21, and Commissioner Huff responded with **50.61%** on December 23.
- Under Commissioner Foster's latest plan:
  - 15<sup>th</sup> Legislative District elevated to **61.46%** Hispanic index.
  - 14<sup>th</sup> Legislative District reduced to **20.09%** (from **35.53%**).

# Majority-minority legislative districts

- In the initial rollout, Commissioner Huff proposed **five** majority-minority legislative districts (11<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> Legislative Districts).
- Commissioner Foster proposed **four** majority-minority legislative districts (9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> Legislative Districts).
- Commissioner Huff would support bringing the 29<sup>th</sup> Legislative District back to a majority-minority legislative district.

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