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## January 17 Roundtable Update

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## **NEW YORK REDISTRICTING ROUNDTABLE UPDATE**

*"Voting is the foundation stone of political action."*

-Dr. Martin Luther King

### **Broome County Legislature Delays Redistricting Vote**

The Broome County Legislature was expected to adopt a new map last Thursday night, redrawing the county's 15 legislative districts. The vote was postponed after a public hearing where many residents spoke out against map 3. Redistricting may be on the agenda at the county legislature's next meeting on January 20<sup>th</sup>. For more visit: <https://wskg.org/news/broome-county-redistricting-vote-delayed/>

### **Empire Center Releases Congressional and State Legislative Maps**

The Empire Center for Public Policy released its own set of redistricting maps today along with an analysis by state constitutional experts Professor Peter Galie and attorney Christopher Bopst. The maps and analysis can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/3le1pN2>

### **New York Senate Passes a Series of Election Reform Bills**

State Senate lawmakers have passed a series of election reform bills last week. The lawmakers are attempting to take on election reform as the state and nation prepare for a big upcoming election year. For a summary of the various bills visit: <https://www.news10.com/news/ny-capitol-news/ny-senate-passes-series-of-election-reform-bills/>

### **Schumer Delays Voting Rights Votes Until Next Week as Democrats Face Filibuster Fight**

U.S. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) delayed votes on a pair of voting rights bills last week. Senate Republicans plan to block the two proposals, the Freedom to Vote Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act. Despite pushes to make changes to the filibuster, Joe Manchin of West Virginia and Kyrsten Sinema of Arizona said they will not back the filibuster changes needed to pass the legislation. For more visit: <https://www.cnn.com/2022/01/14/schumer-delays-senate-voting-rights-votes-as-filibuster-fight-looms.html>