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Reapportionment: Is It Really a Political Question?

"To allow rotten boroughs to continue in open contravention of constitutional law is a direct contradiction of the principles of justice. We are not asked to open the floodgates of the courts to the political problems of the legislature. We are requested to enforce the clear command of the fundamental law which the legislators have sworn to obey."

McLaughlin, J., *Dyer v. Kazuhisa Abe*, 138 F. Supp. 220, 224 (D. Hawaii 1956).

These words were uttered in protest against the long established view of the courts of this country that the failure of a state legislature to reapportion legislative representation, how-