

Directions

Think about what it might mean to increase the number of seats in the House of Representatives. What are some pros and cons to that increase? List as many as you can think of and write them in the appropriate column below.

PROS

- Will be more representative
- May push through more reforms (more reps fighting for the people)
- May reduce campaign costs (cover a smaller area, reach less people)
- May further diversify the House
- More people are able to run/become involved
- People feel they are heard

CONS

- Organizational issues
- Govn't becomes too large/powerful
- Increased sense that the people have no voice
- May not be able to find enough people to run (resulting in empty seats)
- Increased opportunity for graft, fraud, blackmail, etc.
- Becomes more expensive (benefits, salaries, etc.)