

Reining in the Leviathan: Institutional Design for a New Democracy

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Taiwan is a new democracy. It has changed its institutional configuration several times since it transited to democracy in the late 1980s and early 1990s. This paper examines the changes in Taiwan's institutional settings, and use criteria such as substantive representation, proportional representation, liberal value, and efficiency to evaluate the institutional arrangement in Taiwan and make a number of suggestions for future change.