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Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

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Regarding: Senate

Message:

Committee Members,

I am asking that you take the redistricting responsibility out of your hands and assign it to an independent and nonpartisan committee. A group that has no State Government employees and is equal in representation between Democrats, Independents and Republicans. It is the only way to get true representation for Texans. Any politician, no matter what party wants to keep their job and they will do anything to keep their district favorable to them and their party. There is no way for politicians to be objective.

In Austin/Travis County, we were broken into FIVE US Congressional districts in 2010. Four of which are represented by Republicans. All you need to do is look at the Congressional map to see how obvious that it was done on purpose. We all know that Austin is heavily Democratic area; the maps were drawn to dilute our votes and our voices. Austin and Travis County are not appropriately represented. Republicans who represent our districts don't care what we think. They are completely safe in their cozy gerrymandered districts. The courts have said that gerrymandering based on political affiliation is not illegal but that doesn't make it any less corrupt. Travis County residents are tax payers too and we deserve equal representation in the State and US Congress.

Thank you for your consideration.