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To: Senate Redistricting

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input
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City: Houston State: Texas

Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Senate

Message:

I live in Texas house district 137 and Texas Senate District 15 in Houston. I am concerned with having a fair and equitable redistricting process and sensible districts which reflect the voter makeup in Texas. I am writing to ask that the legislature use a committee of citizens, or a bipartisan commission, to drawn Texas districts. Nonpartisan districting will be beneficial to all Texans because: - It will reflect the will of the majority. - Candidates in gerrymandered districts feel more beholden to party leaders and their funders than they do to their constituents - Incumbents in gerrymandered areas start thinking of the districts as "their" district, instead of 'we the people's' district. In our democracy, voters should select their representatives - elected officials should not select their voters. Thank you, Calista Herbert