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Regarding: Senate

Message:

The Texas NAADP is opposed to the current and proposed Texas Senate Map that is being considered for re-adoption by this body. There are numerous problems with it. One is that researchers have analyzed it for the movement of adult voting age population persons and it appears that Blacks were moved far more than any group in the Senate map but also the Congressional and State House Maps. This suggests that the map is the result of a racial gerrymander as the standard deviation associated with the difference between the actual level of movement and an equitable level of movement was so extreme. We know that there should be and can be an additional minority opportunity district in the Harris County and Fort Bend area. This could be done while still leaving Senator Miles and/or Senator Huffman in office. It would meet all of the Gingles requirements. There should also be at least another minority opportunity seat in the Dallas Fort Worth area. SD1- was emasculated. when it was a budding minority opportunity district and could easily have been drawn that way this time. We are very troubled by the comments of State leadership about their concern for African-Americans as manifested in the many comments that have been made and the legislation that is continually propounded

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