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Regarding: Senate

Message: To the Senate Special Committee on Redistricting,

I have been closely watching the redistricting process since it began, and I am worried about the future of fair and equitable elections in our state. I currently refer to Plan S2101; however, I believe that many issues I have with this map will pertain to other proposed maps as well.

Plan S2101 has several issues that create unrepresentative districts, but I want to focus on just one: the district I live in, District 8. District 8 currently contains much of suburban Collin County, as well as Richardson and parts of North Dallas. I believe the current district is somewhat fairly drawn, as the urbanization level and demographics of the district are relatively steady throughout. S2101's version of District 8, on the other hand, removes Richardson, Dallas, and Frisco from the equation in return for adding the rural portions of Collin County, as well as the rural Hunt and Rains Counties.

Plano does not have the same representative needs as those who live in rural areas, so it should seem ridiculous that both types of areas should be placed in the same district. Suburban Texans do not hold the same beliefs as rural Texans, and districts such as District 8 in S2101 do not account for this, creating a district with a Senator who cannot accurately represent their constituents.

In addition to District 8, Districts 2, 10, 12, and 22 in S2101 have these same issues, cracking suburban and urban voters into the same district as highly demographically different rural areas, and this is in the D-FW Metroplex alone. I vehemently oppose the adoption of maps that have districts like this, as they create districts that are unable to be accurately represented by their legislators.