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Message:
I want to comment on the map proposed by Senate Bill 6. The map proposed by the bill reflects a racial breakdown of districts that is hard to reconcile with recent U.S. census data. The data shows that 95% of the population growth in Texas is attributable to people of color, with Hispanics making up the largest growth. The state’s Hispanic, Black and Asian populations all grew faster than the white population over this decade, yet the proposed map adds no Hispanic-majority districts and keeps the number of Black-majority districts the same.

The proposed map is based on a gerrymandering approach intended to elect a super majority of white Republicans to the state Senate. A more equitable map would instead be based on the current ethnic and racial distributions across Texas and allow voters to pick their legislators, rather than legislators picking their voters.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit written comments!!