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Message:

Please see the attached that will act as my written testimony to the Committee.

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As a member of the Wilshire Baptist Church (Dallas) Christian Advocacy Committee, it is my observation that the faith community in Texas is highly concerned about transparency and fairness of the process that will determine how public policy is established and resources allocated for the next 10 years. We ask—and expect--of our senators on the Redistricting Committee the following:

1. Transparency with the public of the methodology used to draw maps;
2. Hearings scheduled that are widely publicized well in advance once maps are drawn and data is available to review;
3. Establishment of oral and written testimony procedures that are simply to understand and utilize by the public wishing to heard;
4. Resulting maps that are fairly drawn and not found by federal courts to be racially discriminating and hyper partisan.

This is an opportunity for you as Texas state senators to shine. As you well know, Texas has a dismal record in the redistricting arena. This is your time to show that you are not partisan politicians but truly statesmen and stateswomen. Please use this process to do what is truly right and fair for all Texans—see to it that the new maps fairly represent all of the state’s citizens.