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Message:

Texas Senate District 16, 2021 Redistricting Process-

Proposed new maps are utterly ridiculous. I live and pay taxes in Dallas county, but the proposed District 16 map places me in the same district as all of Wise county (up to 60 miles away).

It makes no logical sense to pair a diverse, suburban part of North Dallas with a sparsely populated rural area of Wise county.

How is a senator supposed to effectively serve these two highly differentiated areas- the constituents will clearly have highly different priorities, they will face different issues. My state senator should live where I live, in order to understand the issues in my area, not in some distant rural town.

Furthermore, the area district is effectively non-contiguous- I cant even drive to Wise county without driving through Denton or Tarrant counties.