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Regarding: Senate

Message:

Hello,

My name is Jayne Polly, and I have lived in Texas over sixty years, currently in Austin, TX, previously in the Dallas area.

I am testifying today because I believe that our nation was formed on the idea that officials are elected by the majority to serve the majority, and if the voters disapprove of their representatives, they can vote them out of office. Because of the gerrymandered districts created in 2010, Travis County voters' viewpoints are not appropriately represented in their federal and state officials.

Regarding U.S. Senate seat: in 2020 Travis County supported Republican Senator Cornyn with only 29% of the vote.

U.S. District 10, my district: only 28.8% supported Republican Representative McCaul.

U.S. District 17: only 28.5% supported Republican Representative Sessions.

U.S. District 21: only 24.3% supported Republican Representative Roy.

U.S. District 25: only 37% supported Republican Representative Williams.

U.S. District 35: 78% supported Representative Doggett, the only Democrat elected.

I could go on, illustrating why the prior gerrymandered districts are unfair, but I think I have made my point.

Gerrymandered districts

at the state level have the same consequences for both the courts and the executive branch..

Because of the cracking and packing the Texas Legislature used to divide the area, Republicans were guaranteed election, despite the fact that only a small minority of Travis County voters are Republican. This is wrong, and I urge you to reinstate the principle that representatives should reflect the will of the voters by drawing districts in a fair and equitable fashion in 2021.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

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