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Message: This comment is regarding the redistricting sessions.

First, our current redistricting method is allowing politicians to choose voters instead of the other way around. The current method is anti-democracy. We must change to Independent Redistricting Commission. There are 8 states adopted IRC for congressional district drawing, and 14 states for state legislative redistricting.

Secondly, the current legislature redistricting commission must redraw the lines to separate rural and city areas as much as possible. The two area types have very different economical, culture and political interests. Grouping them together does not make sense and dilute city residents' votes. My congressional district is Texas 21. Majority of the population growth in the past 10 years happens inside Austin or close by areas. The new residents are from other states or countries. I say split the current congressional district 21 into two, one rural counties and the other Austin and Dripping Spring areas.