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Message:

Texans deserve fair and equal representation. Using more rural counties to offset suburban populace's is a disingenuous attempt to stack the deck in one party's favor. The Texas Legislature has an obligation to ensure fair and equal representation for all people, upholding the Fourteenth Amendment's guarantee of equal protection.

Additionally, the drawing of district lines dictates not only who runs for public office and who is elected, but also how financial resources are allocated for schools, hospitals, roads and more. Representatives who are elected have the power to make decisions that greatly impact the communities they represent and by grouping counties that have vastly different populations, needs and issues will only be a disservice to those communities.

Using redistricting to manipulate electoral boundaries to give an unfair political advantage to a particular political party or group is harmful to Texas communities. Voters should choose their politicians, not the other way around.

Thank you, Samantha Knurbein