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Message:

I do not for a minute understand why redistricting is a political process in Texas. Elsewhere in the world, electoral and legislative districts are drawn up by *explicitly* non-partisan authorities whose only goal is to create a good, unbiased, decently-representative set of districts. No one wastes all these years and all these taxpayer dollars on litigating out whether something is *technically* gerrymandering or *technically* legal, because gerrymandering is impossible - both everyone who would stand to benefit from it *and* everyone who would stand to benefit from alleging it are excluded entirely from the process. Why can we not simply do this instead? The lack of a modern electoral system in Texas is really quite shameful!