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 Senate Redistricting

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 INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

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Regarding: ALL

Message: Dear Sir/Madame: I am writing to ask you to carefully and EQITABLY consider the redistricting boundaries for the great State of Texas.

Our state population has grown in vast numbers this past decade and includes a racial and cultural mixture of Hispanic, Asian and other diverse cultures. In fact 95% of the growth of our population is due to these increases.

We need to embrace these differences and changes and not penalize these new Texans for choosing to live Texas. With that residency comes the privilege to vote in all free and fair local, state and national elections.

Every one of these new Texans deserves to have his or her vote count and not be disenfranchised by gerrymandering the boundaries of the districts to dilute their votes and pit them against those of white voters. Texas is a multi-cultural state and should be proud of that! District boundaries should reflect that diversity.

It is absolutely disgraceful that the proposed new boundaries not only effectively disenfranchise many African American voters who were previously represented by Representatives Sheila Jackson Lee and Al Green but could now pit these famously historic Representatives against each other. This is nothing but a sad attempt at a power grab by Republicans who feel they are losing their control of a state that proudly is home to numerous Presidents who have been both Republican and Democrat.

Where has your soul gone? Where is your integrity? Instead of shifting these boundaries in such an ugly manner, why not put your energy into finding ways to offer your future constituents reasons to vote for YOU instead of somebody else?

Thank you for your time.

Very Sincerely,

Barbara Bill (also a "new" Texan)