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Regarding: Senate

Message:
Chairman, Committee Members,

I am opposed to the current redistricting map as presented.
I present to you my grievances on the State redistricting map you have proposed.
The US Constitution, our foundation for democracy and governmental action was created to promote a more perfect UNION, establish JUSTICE, ensure domestic TRANQUILITY, and secure the blessings of LIBERTY. It states we have the right to freedom of speech without abridgment, the right to vote without abridgment. The right to vote is further guaranteed without regard of sex or color.
I believe the plan you have proposed violates all the the above. The key word is abridgment: "to reduce the effect of a law, PRIVILEGE, or power." Voting is an extension of freedom of speech. It is a privilege that comes with Democracy. This map reminds me of the ancient Aztec ritual of ripping our the heart of humans as sacrifice to their gods. This map tears out the heart of Democracy to the god of power. Where you have divided communities and municipalities apart you have created dis-union, and therefor ensured the loss of domestic tranquility. You are openly abridging the voice of people of color to have their vote carry the abridged value of those of non-color---white!
This map shows complete disregard for the concept of "freedom and justice for all". What it does show loud and clear is that democracy has been given little or no value---that we are not being seen as equal, that the true voice of Texans AND democracy is being smothered. In Hays County, you have divided the small community of Wimberley into three districts. In fact, the whole County has been so divided that it creates further divisions in general governmental function.
Please reconsider the multiple "abridgments" you have created in this map. This map does not serve the higher good of the people of this great State or Union. Democracy is intended for ALL the people, not just those who vote one particular party You have been elected to represent THE PEOPLE. It takes ALL the people to make us the great State and Nation that we are. Only one way, one voice, is NOT Justice or representative of the intent of our Constitution. One voice is the way of dictatorship. Reducing the value of anyone's vote is an abridgment of the intent and the words of the Constitution.
One final quote from another well known, valued text: "as a man sows, so shall he reap".

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my thoughts and opinions on this most important matter.

Linda Kaye Rogers

