From: applications.administrator@capitol.local

To: Senate Redistricting

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input
Date: Thursday, September 30, 2021 11:01:38 AM

Date: 2021-09-30 First Name: Michael Last Name: Badzioch

Title: Dr.

Organization: self

Address:
City: Houston
State: Harris
Zipcode:
Phone:

Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Census

## Message:

The process that has been used so far to draw to produce the Texas redistricting map is unacceptable and flies in the face of the fundamental right of the citizens of Texas to choose their representatives in Congress. It builds on last minute, late night amendments to the Senate maps, inadequately noticed hearings, and no opportunity for comment on amendments.

A fair an open redistricting process requires:

- o Public hearings with a virtual testimony option on any map, substitute, or committee amendment that will be the subject of a record vote, scheduled with at least 5 days public notice (with the maps publicly available), with a separate hearing pertaining to at least each of the five (5) major regions of Texas (North, South, East, West, Central).
- At least 1 full public hearing on map proposals which originated in the opposite chamber before a committee vote.
- o Because of the recent increase in COVID-19 infections, that formal on-the-record testimony via a video conferencing option be made available online to all Texans for such hearings.

Please make this process fair and open to all Texans by implementing these procedures.

Mike Badzioch, PhD Houston, TX