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Regarding: Congressional

## Message:

I oppose the current proposal for redistricting outside of the 10 year census cycle. State representation in the House is based on population and by mutual agreement is reevaluated after the census cycle. That allows readjustments across the US at once. No new data exists to support adding 5 new congressional districts in Texas and to do it arbitrarily is dishonest and unjustified. I've read and researched and can find no reasonable justification; I must assume this move is politically motivated so one party obtains more voting power. In a Democracy we accept the results of our elections and learn to work with those currently in power by talking, compromising, and finding the best solution for everyone. Voting for redistricting now is a clear statement to me that you do not respect the democratic process. We are a large and powerful State and we don't need to act like bullies by unfairly increasing our votes in Congress. Snatching more votes is unfair to all US citizens as it dilutes every States' ability to participate in decisions that affect everyone. To circumvent this screams disrespect for the Democratic process of checks and balances. I believe you are better than that, that you want to be fair both to those who live in Texas and other US citizens in other States who also deserve to have their voices heard. This issue crosses the lines of party and personal belief. It is an attack on important foundational concepts of government: that individual voters have a voice; that you as our elected representatives are supposed to represent and act in the best interest of your constituents regardless of party affiliation; and that the rules made by our founding fathers were put in place to prevent the kind of tyranny they escaped by establishing a country independent of the English Crown. We must hold fast to the rules and guidelines that have kept our State and Country intact, growing, and able to adapt to the times for many many years. I urge you to vote no on redistricting.