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Message:

Hello and thank you for the opportunity to submit a comment for this redistricting committee hearing. I'm a constituent of CD-31 (Temple, Texas), which is proposed to be split by this bill's new map. I have visited with the staffs of several Texas reps and senators on this issue, so I will keep this brief as I can.

I am strongly against this bill and this map. It is a transparently political scheme driven by a president who knows he's weak, and who doesn't care who he hurts in his quest for power. On both sides of the aisle, Americans and Texans specifically are against gerrymandering, and they're for power resting with the people. Even non-experts can spot a manipulative gerrymandered map from a mile away. This applies to our current Republican-drawn map, and even more to the new proposal. We see it clearly.

Moreover, holding action on flooding hostage, and lower in priority than these maps, is unconscionable. The ridiculous part is how much the Governor could have already done with his own power and purse to help, but he hasn't. Because he needs flood victims as a bargaining chip. The Texas House and Senate Republicans are complicit in this. You could use your voices and your votes to stop any action before flood response.

Finally, threatening to arrest elected officials who have committed no crimes, is a blatantly fascist move. If it comes to that, and you support it, you will have helped this state and this country take another leap toward dictatorship. I hope that weighs heavily upon you.

I urge the members of this committee to independently think for yourselves, and to think of the people of Texas. Stand on your own convictions, and shut this down.