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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

Please work to keep the existing districts. The federal constitution calls for reapportionment of congressional seats according to population from a decennial census (Section 2, Article I). The existing districts were approved in in 2020. The next redistricting should be in 2030. As a retired teacher, rules are rules, changes to the rules need to be done at the appropriate time not when parties are dissatisfied with the changes in population. Pressure from the the U.S. Department of Justice is trying to alter several districts by referring to them as “unconstitutional ‘coalition districts’”. Governor Abbott approved this map when he signed Senate Bill 6 into law in 2021, the very legislation he now suggests is unconstitutional. Changes in population within districts is an ever going fact. We cannot and should not decide to alter the districts because the change in population appears to be changing to benefit one party or another. These changes should only be allowed by the decennial census (Section 2, Article I). Again, please keep the existing district as approved in 2020. Save the tax payers money and save yourselves time that should be used to benefit Texas as a whole.

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