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Message:

Senators - WAKE UP! The state is in crisis. It is VERY poor leadership to force new representatives on the people of Texas while still recovering from floods.

Redistricting came out of nowhere, and now it's the number one agenda item – ahead of flood relief??!

Redistricting at this moment is a cynical political move that will break up communities of color. Breaking up communities of color is an obvious violation of federal law. Further, redistricting is distracting from the urgent needs of everyday Texans, many still without power, homes, or basic supplies.

I strongly oppose this mid-cycle redistricting. This brazen move by the Governor and the DOJ to increase Republican representation in the U.S. House at the expense of communities of color is shameful. It is blatant racial discrimination.

Explain how citizens can make informed comments when neither the House nor Senate Redistricting Committees have proposed maps available for public viewing? How do you expect the public to actually participate in this process?

I am asking that this Committee to commit to holding a public hearing after the maps have been drawn but before they pass through committee. You must also give the public at least 5 days' notice and capability to review the maps before this hearing.

I also demand explanations from the legislators who draw the maps on why they drew them the way they did, and to not hide any communications they have had regarding drawing the maps. This is an opportunity for the Texas Legislature to finally get this process right and avoid millions of taxpayer dollars and years of lawsuits, so I hope that you will take these comments seriously.

Texas Legislators, don't use your votes to unethically perpetuate the power of a single party. That is not what democracy should look like.

Redistricting helps politicians, not Texans. DO YOUR JOB. Help Texans!

