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Message:

Dear Committee members:

My comments regarding redistricting:

We do not want an Independent Panel

We are a Republic and as such you are elected and accountable to the people of Texas. There is no such thing as a neutral panel. Any panel like this would be made up of people who are appointed by someone, and every person on there would be coming at the situation with a viewpoint, with past experiences, and possibly with their own agenda. They would be unelected by the people and therefore unaccountable to the people of this state, taking away our voice in this very important process.

We support One person: one vote

Sec 2 of Article 1 of the US Constitution and the Equal Protection Clause o Section 1 of the 14th Amendment requires the construction of legislative districts that are substantially equal in total population. According to the Supreme Court of the United States. Taken together they establish the constitutional guarantee of one person, one vote, or the idea that all voters have approximately equal voting power.

There are several people who are ineligible to vote - Felons, non-citizens, minors, people currently in jail, and those deemed mentally incompetent.

If there are substantially more people ineligible to vote in the population of one district verses another, the result could be that citizen votes could be diluted, especially in the rural districts, violating the premise of 1 person, 1 vote.

Thank you for your attention.

Best regards,
Anda Wisian

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