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To: Senate Redistricting

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

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Regarding: Senate

Message:

As a long time homeowner and active voter in Wells Branch I am deeply opposed to the redistricting proposal that split Wells Branch into two separate districts.

Being split across two Districts will make it twice as hard for the Wells Branch community to be heard by our federal representatives and to be fairly represented during elections. Most current congressional maps are compact, keeping communities together. These precinct grids shouldn't have divisions or breaks that dissect suburban neighborhoods into dissimilar areas such as rural vs. urban.

I understand the minority has limited power to change this proposal, but there must be some sort of influence from the minority that may sway these types of proposals. The majority acting in bad faith against the minority is not unnoticed. Texas is a much better state when all feel they are accounted for.

Thank you in advance,