

To: Ohio Senate
From: Kristina English, Akron
Re: SB 258 -- opposed

November 7, 2021

Dear Senators,

You are already fully aware that the recently proposed congressional maps are even worse than our current gerrymandered maps, even though Ohio voters have twice demanded an end to gerrymandering. These map results are simply unacceptable, since they give Republicans over 86% of the Ohio's seats in Congress instead of representing fairly its 55% Republican voters. These efforts are a deliberate effort to suppress voter participation which, in a word, is shameful.

Fair maps provide the basis of all democracy. As our elected leaders, you must step up and demonstrate what fair maps look like: for Ohio, it means 7 Democratic congressional seats and 8 Republican seats. Why? Because these numbers reflect how Ohioans actually vote!

Your voters are angry. We see right through your games. Enough. Unrig our maps. No more cheating.