

I wish to register my strong disapproval of the proposed redistricting map for Ohio's Congressional Districts. It totally disenfranchises the people of Cincinnati by dividing Hamilton County into 3 segments and submerging each of the segments into strongly rural districts whose residents will have few local interests and concerns in common with us.

The only possible reason for the GOP-dominated legislature to draw a map like this is to punish the people of Cincinnati and Hamilton county for electing three county commissioners and 8 or 9 Cincinnati City Council members from the Democratic party. In so doing, they are subverting the will of the people who overwhelmingly - by 70+% in EVERY SINGLE OHIO COUNTY - voted for less-gerrymandered state and federal congressional districts. The travesty of the Republicans' maps shows that they do not care what we said we wanted in 2015 and 2018 - all they want is to stay in power so that they can continue to rake in illegal campaign contributions from coal mining companies, nuclear power plants, and the gun lobby.

Ohio's gerrymandered maps have been panned by national experts as the most biased in the country, and our current state government has been held up to national infamy in a recent book profiled in national media (David Pepper, "Laboratories of Autocracy").

Have you people no shame?

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