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HB2100 Constitutional Redistricting Amendment Question

UNFAVORABLE

Democracy gives one the impression that the citizens are represented in government. Maryland's current districting has a 7 to 1 Democrat to Republican ratio in our United States Congress. I fail to see the reasoning for a special session to draft a proposal to change the Maryland Constitution so that in the future the ratio can 'legally' be changed to an 8 to 0 ratio by picking and choosing areas by politics alone.

An additional concern is that this plan to enhance the ability to redistrict at will is a blatant attempt to bypass the decision of a court denying the last attempt to gerrymander.

Redistricting should be based on population redistribution and not on political whims. Redistricting should include a contiguous area and not look like a patchwork quilt as it did in the denied plan.

Please consider true Democracy and OPPOSE this effort to change the Maryland Constitution,