

HB488 Election Districts - General
Assembly and Representatives in
Congress

Support FAV with Amendments

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Dear Chair Vice Chair and Members of
the Rules and Executive Nominations
Committee,

As a resident of our state, I would like to
see facts and factual numbers.

We are a majority Democrat state.

However the supreme court of Maryland is currently a minority appointed panel of judges, meaning all but 2 of the current Maryland Supreme Court judges were appointed by a Republican. 5 judges were appointed by Hogan, 1 By Martin O'Malley and 1 by Governor Moore.

I think we need to be VERY careful at who has the final say on these Redistricting maps and to have a checks and balance system where by the sitting Governor and the Supreme Court of Maryland and all members of the Maryland General Assembly need to be able to collectively have the final say based off of reported numbers from the voting public.

The election results in our state need to be informing all of these decisions on redistricting.

I request an amendment to make sure we have the proper checks and balances in place so we are all ensuring proper results that we can all be happy with as a state based off what I have described above.

Thank you.

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