

# Redistricting in Georgia

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## Features of Current System

**Secret process that does not allow meaningful citizen input.** Process is totally under the direction of one political party.

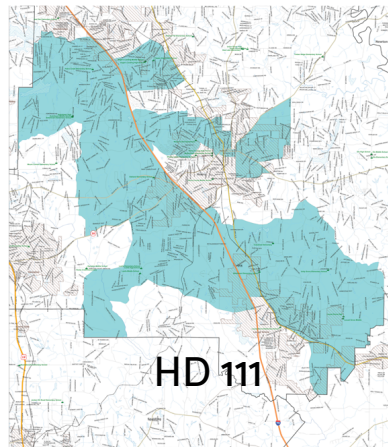
**The GA Constitution requires "contiguity" and same population for districts.** No other standards protect against political influence.

**One political party creates maps to fit its desire to gather and keep power.** The needs of citizens and of the State of Georgia are not factored into the process.

## HARM

Caused by Current System

**Citizens realize they cannot trust the government.** We lose faith in a process where we have no input.



No standards = distorted districts

**Unrepresentative gerrymandered districts are drawn to maintain power of one party.** Incumbents are often protected. Choice is reduced for voters.

## Democracy Act Solutions

**Detailed rules are used to enforce an open process.** Draft maps are shared with the public. All meetings are open to the public.

**Detailed standards prevent maps that distort local communities and conditions.** Minorities are protected. No undue political influence is allowed.

**Maps will be drawn by an independent citizens' commission.** This multi-partisan commission must use unbiased standards in full view of the public with no involvement of politicians.