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Representative Hebl Applauds Federal Panel's Redistricting Ruling

(MADISON) – Rep. Gary Hebl (D-Sun Prairie) today released the following statement in response to a federal judicial panel ruling that the state must redraw district boundaries before the 2018 elections.

“Today’s decision is another victory for voting rights and for fair elections,” Hebl said. “The panel’s decision to force new maps for the next election cycle reinforces the idea that voters should be choosing their representatives, and not the other way around.”

Friday’s decision comes after November’s ruling that called Republican redistricting a partisan effort “intended to burden the representational rights of Democratic voters.” In short, the maps were intentionally drawn in a way to cluster Democratic voters into fewer districts than Republican voters, allowing Republicans to maintain disproportionate control of state politics.

“I hope that starting today we can work with our Republican colleagues in the legislature,” Hebl continued. “I am confident that we can come up with a plan that will allow us to draw the maps in a transparent and open manner so that the citizens of Wisconsin are accurately and fairly represented.”

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