

Senator Smith Decries Speaker Vos' Disingenuous "Redistricting" Announcement

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MADISON – Today Assembly Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) announced that Republicans in the Assembly plan to introduce Iowa-style redistricting in Wisconsin.

Senator Jeff Smith (D-Brunswick) had the following to say about Speaker Vos' announcement:



"It's desperate and disingenuous to call for nonpartisan redistricting now, after signing secrecy oaths to gerrymander our state in 2011 and fighting tooth and nail to bake their distorted maps into law in the most recent redistricting effort.

"We trust the Supreme Court to solve the complex constitutional issues relating to redistricting and to fix the districts in the meantime. We remain committed to an independent redistricting model that completely removes the decision from the legislature. This legislature cannot be trusted to draw their own maps after more than a decade of serving their own self interests."