

Vos Confessed at Map Hearing

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At hearing, he admitted they tried to make the maps more favorable to Republicans in 2011. Now they may be able to draw maps that help them stay in power simply by moving lines.

MADISON - I spent five hours in the State Capitol yesterday for the hearing on the newly gerrymandered maps.

I was a little late getting into the hearing room because there was such a huge and amazing crowd of citizen activists who were also trying to get in. That was great to see!

When I got in, Speaker Robin Vos was in the middle of his testimony as the co-author of the bills ([SB621/AB624](#)). A few minutes later, while he was being questioned by the Democrats on the joint committee, he made a killer confession: He admitted that they tried to make the maps more favorable to the Republicans. "Was partisanship used? Yes," he said.

That's the whole ball game! We don't want Republicans – or Democrats, for that matter – to be able to draw maps that help them stay in power simply by moving lines here or there on a map.

Three and a half hours later, I was able to give my testimony, which you can read here:

[Reject Gerrymandered Maps](#)

You can view a slightly improvised version on [WisconsinEye's recording](#) of the hearing starting at 12:59 p.m.

If you haven't already, please [contact your legislators](#) , [Speaker Vos](#) and [Senate Majority Leader LeMahieu](#) to register your opposition to these bills.



We're also concerned about the ongoing smearing of the Wisconsin Elections Commission and the endless smoke machine about last November's elections. Here's what I wrote about the recent Legislative Audit Bureau report:

[LAB Hatchet Job on Wisconsin Elections Commission](#)

Thanks for your concern for our democracy!

Best,

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