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OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 38

Pennsylvania House Bill 38 which was voted out of Committee on January 13, 2021, brings this bill on judicial districting a step closer to final passage. Pennsylvania State Conference NAACP President Kenneth L. Huston makes the following statement regarding next steps:

"Any laws which creates gerrymandering (the practice of manipulating voting districts to benefit parties instead of people) provides less strength to your voice and choice. Any amendment to require Pennsylvania's statewide judges to run for election in regional districts drawn by lawmakers is out right gerrymandering. The NAACP Pennsylvania State Conference opposes this proposed constitutional amendment and will encourage all of its units to oppose this proposal as well."

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Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the nation's oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization. Its members throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities. The Pennsylvania State Conference was established in 1934 and pursues the same mission throughout the Commonwealth.