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MADISON-Representative Christine Sinicki (D-Milwaukee) responded on Wednesday to Governor Tony Evers' decision to include a nonpartisan redistricting plan in his budget proposal. Governor Evers' proposal would prevent partisan politicians from rigging district maps in order to preserve and expand their majorities. Rep. Sinicki made the following statement:

"It is outrageous that Republican legislators have been able to draw their own rigged district boundaries, essentially guaranteeing that they will maintain power no matter what the voters want. This extreme partisan gerrymander makes many Wisconsinites feel that they don't have a voice in state government and ultimately corrodes our democracy. It is the voters' right to choose their legislators, not the other way around. I applaud Governor Evers' plan to return power to the people of Wisconsin and ensure fair election maps."

Governor Evers' plan would create an independent commission to redraw Wisconsin's district lines based on population. The commission could not use information like voting patterns or demographic information to influence their decision. The legislature

would

vote on the proposed map, but would have limited ability to amend the committee's decision. This plan would not give preference to either party in the upcoming 2021 redistricting process, and would result in a more fair election process.