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### **Senator Taylor Responds to SCOTUS Decision on Gerrymandering**

(MADISON) – This morning the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) made a decision on *Gill v. Whitford*, a case that reached the federal level after a United States district court found Wisconsin's district lines to be "an unconstitutional partisan gerrymander". The decision sent the case back down to lower courts due to a lack of evidence of personal injury on part of the plaintiffs.

In response to the SCOTUS decision, Senator Lena Taylor (D-Milwaukee) made the following comments:

"Today the Supreme Court had the chance to call this what it is, blatant Republican gerrymandering. Lines were drawn to limit the voices of countless Wisconsinites, the majority of whom are minorities, and frankly, to steal elections."

"I'm extremely frustrated with this decision by the Supreme Court. Despite the objections of Justices Neil Gorsuch and Clarence Thomas, I remain optimistic that there will be another chance to make the case in the lower courts."

"Senator Dave Hansen (D-Green Bay), who introduced a bill that would create a non-partisan third party to draw our voting maps, has the right idea. Now more than ever, we need to establish an unbiased process to create voting districts and guarantee everyone an untainted role in electing officials and shaping their own government."