

# Fair Elections Project

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## Statement on Redistricting Lawsuits Filed in Wisconsin

MILWAUKEE— Sachin Chheda, director of the Fair Elections Project, issued the following statement in response to the additional redistricting lawsuits filed today in federal and state court:

“Today, additional redistricting lawsuits were filed by Wisconsin citizens in federal court, and by a right-wing special interest group in state court.

“It’s important to note that Speaker Robin Vos has indicated publicly that he intends to draw a fair map that Governor Evers can sign. **With the launch of his own redistricting feedback portal, there is hope legislative Republicans are finally listening to the supermajority of Wisconsinites who want an open, fair, and transparent process.**

“We continue to call on the Legislature to work with Governor Evers in the best interest of all Wisconsin residents to pass a fair map and avoid costly litigation and a drawn-out process. If they fail to do so, the new federal lawsuit provides a vehicle for courts to ensure citizens have fair maps for the next decade.

“The state Supreme Court should not take original jurisdiction over the WILL lawsuit. It’s premature, and that body is ill-suited to litigate redistricting issues. This was widely noted in the overwhelming negative response received to WILL’s original request for the state Supreme Court to pre-rig the process with incredibly biased and anti-democratic rules.

“No matter what, we must have fair maps that reflect the will of the electorate and end the rigging of our political system.”

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### About the Fair Elections Project

The Fair Elections Project is fighting for fair redistricting around the country by inspiring and supporting litigation, legislation, and public advocacy to stop partisan gerrymandering. The goal is to end map-rigging, so that instead of politicians choosing their voters, voters can choose their elected officials, and elections will again be meaningful.

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