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## Senator Taylor's Statement on Vote Against Legislative Redistricting Maps

(MADISON) – In response to today's vote on redistricting maps and amendments proposed in Senate session, Senator Lena Taylor (D-Milwaukee) released the following statement:

"I do not support any map that reduces or sacrifices the voice and physical representation of people of color in the state legislature. African-Americans, and other minority groups, have every right to see themselves reflected in the make-up of the state legislature in a way that is proportionate to their population in the state.

I value the spirit and work of the People's Maps Commission to have a non-partisan map drawing process. However, I disagree with their final map recommendations that place Black and Latino representation at risk. But to be clear, I am vehemently opposed to the manner in which Wisconsin Republicans have grabbed power by gerrymandering legislative districts. Once again, they have shut out meaningful public engagement and insulated their legislative districts from a fair and competitive process.