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## seeking comment from Lieutenant Governor Reynolds

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Dear Ben,

In many states, when one party has full control of state government, state lawmakers gerrymander the new map of political boundaries following the decennial census. Iowa is fortunate to have a non-partisan redistricting system that has been called a model for the country.

Will Lieutenant Governor Reynolds commit to vetoing any legislation that would replace lowa's current redistricting system with a process that would allow politicians from one party to draw the new map of Congressional and state legislative districts?

I'm not just asking about this year. I mean: will Lieutenant Governor Reynolds commit to protecting the redistricting system we have during her whole four-year term, if she is elected governor in 2018?

Thanks in advance for any comment you can provide. I will assume that a non-response means Lieutenant Governor Reynolds is open to bringing gerrymandering back to Iowa, depending on how such legislation might be written.

Yours,

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