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To: Vermont House Committee on Government Operations  
Re: Proposed Reapportionment

February 15, 2022

Representatives,

On February 3, 2022, the Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Fletcher met to discuss the proposed reapportionment maps. Eleven members of the BCA were present.

Currently, Fletcher is a member of House District Franklin-6 along with Bakersfield and Fairfield. The LAB Majority Proposal would keep this district intact. The LAB Minority Proposal would remove Bakersfield and add a portion of Fairfax.

After a brief discussion, a vote was held. The LAB Majority Proposal was favored over the Minority by a vote of six to three, with two members abstaining. Members voting in favor of the Majority proposal preferred to maintain the current district structure and noted that Fletcher has a similar rural character to our current district counterparts; we are well represented in this current district. Members voting in favor of the Minority proposal felt that Fletcher was already aligned with Fairfax as the majority of our students attend middle and high school there. While the vote on the two proposals was not unanimous, the BCA unanimously agreed that 2-member districts were not preferred. It was thought that this situation would cause one member town to lose their electoral voice as they would not be able to muster enough votes to counteract the votes of the other member town with a larger population.

Thank you for soliciting the feedback of local communities such as ours and allowing us to be part of the reapportionment process.

Sincerely,



Aimee Tinker  
Assistant Town Clerk & Assistant Treasurer  
(on behalf of the Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Fletcher)