

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE June 16, 2021

Contact: Sen.Roys@legis.wisconsin.gov

Sen. Roys Statement on Republican Local Redistricting Scam

Opposes unconstitutional bill delaying local district

MADISON - Today, the Senate Committee on Government Operations voted along party lines to delay local redistricting in an attempt to hold the 2021 local elections on unconstitutional maps. Sen. Kelda Roys (D-Madison) issued the following statement in response to the GOP's actions:

"The basic requirement of our democracy is one person, one vote. By delaying local redistricting, Wisconsin Republicans are setting the stage to hold another election cycle on out of date, heavily gerrymandered maps that violate the constitution -- all to extend their unfair partisan advantage. Whether it's delaying redistricting, making voting more difficult, or pushing the Big Lie and other falsehoods - Republicans are making our democracy less secure and less free.

"This bill is a cynical, unconstitutional ploy by GOP legislative leaders hellbent on maintaining an unfair advantage at any cost -- only this time they're using local governments as a pawn in their undemocratic schemes. Bills like this, that make it harder for Wisconsinites to get equal representation, which make elections less secure, and that delay fair maps, should be vetoed.

##