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Dear Members:

I am a resident of House District 96 in Orleans Parish and I oppose Rep. Ligi's Amendment 248. This amendment unnecessarily divides Orleans Parish.

Further, I want to bring the events of today to the attention of the U.S. Department of Justice. The Times-Picayune reported on a meeting between the Republican delegation and top officials in Gov. Jindal's administration 30 minutes before the start of business today.

http://blog.nola.com/politics/print.html?entry=/2011/03/democrats_accuse_jindal_aides.html

Here is an excerpt below in which a member of the Republican delegation gives a quote, most certainly not in the spirit, and perhaps in clear violation of the Voting Rights Act.

Rep. Jane Smith, R-Bossier City, who chairs the caucus, said Teepell and others were invited to the meeting. She said one of the topics of concern was the creation of the 30th minority district and how it will affect the chances of other African-Americans to get elected in Caddo Parish.

"We as Republicans must try to maintain our majority," she said.

Sincerely,

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