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Subject: FW: REQUEST FOR COMMENT - School District Boundary Task Force

Tami, here is comment back on the draft from Al Leber. Thanks.

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From: Leber, Al
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Unless I am misunderstanding the language of the Boundary Change proposal, only the school board can request a boundary change from another school board. It appears that the individual land/home owner apparently has no say in the decision.

If for any reason, the resident school board refused to take any action on the request, there appears to be no recourse for the individual land/home owner. I believe there should be an appeal process that goes beyond the school boards.

Many of the parents who have open enrolled their children to a non-resident district want to have the opportunity to vote in the district, and participate in school board elections, where their children attend school. However with the passing of this legislation, these parents have no recourse available to them when the resident school district refused to address the problem, or take any action.

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