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Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove released the following statement today regarding congressional redistricting:

"Obviously, we're disappointed the Legislature has not been able to reach an agreement. They should not abdicate their responsibility to the people of Mississippi by allowing this issue to be decided in a federal court. This work should be done in the Capitol, not a courtroom."

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