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## After the SCOTUS Ruling, a Bigger Question: Where's the Competition?

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On Wednesday the Supreme Court of the United States ruled to eliminate the second racially gerrymandered district in Louisiana because the Voting Rights Act of 1965 did not require Louisiana to create a second majority-minority district.

According to the VRA, Louisiana was granted one majority-minority district. Many in media, of all types, focused on the idea the voters of Louisiana, and possibly other states, could be adversely impacted by SCOTUS' ruling.

This SCOTUS ruling, along with mid-decade redistricting, has been the catalyst of this year's conversations regarding representation and equal protection guaranteed under the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and suppression or oppression of the voting. Much of the conversation has been centered around victimization or victorship, depending on which side of the argument you are comfortable with.