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## Message:

This redistricting process is so undemocratic, such a blatant power grab by Republicans, who have been hoarding power in this state

for decades. The current GOP majority in our leadership is not reflective of Texans' desires and wishes, which are more nuanced and

expansive than the agenda Republicans are pushing. Rather, the majority leadership by Republicans is merely reflective of decades of

work disenfranchising Texans and making it harder and harder for us to actually elect candidates who represent our interests.

The fact that our state legislature is bending over backwards to appease a president who is rapidly dismantling democracy, without

properly explaining the origin of the new maps or properly allowing for public testimony and input -- cutting off input and testimony

from Texans yesterday before many of them even had the chance to speak -- this is humiliating and disgraceful. Texans deserve

better.

Republicans oversaw the redistricting process five years ago. Can't this be enough? It shows how threatened Republicans feel and

how much fear they're facing knowing that Texans do not actually support their policies. If there was confidence in Republicans'

alignment with Texans, these maps wouldn't be needed. Instead, this is engineering and manufacturing more votes by drawing

outlandish districts that give Texans representatives who live hundreds of miles away.

Please quash this effort. Texans do not want it. It's such a joke these days to think our elected officials represent us. Passage of this

bill is just another nail in the coffin of any authentic electoral representation.

We have far more pressing issues in this state -- like, where is all of our energy going to come from as it grows hotter and more

populated in Texas? What about the flood victims and their needs and climate change mitigation? What about the fact that so many

Texans are uninsured, hungry, attending challenged / underfunded schools.

But Republicans never cared about Texans. Not really. It's so obvious now. And so so so sad.