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## Message:

Texas has been in the Vanguard of American political change for the past several decades. Unfortunately, the direction has been downwards from the perspective of democracy. The majority of the population think America is a democracy but global ratings of democracy place it just inside the top 30, in the company of Chile and Slovenia and well below Mauritius and Czechia. The problem with this is that a loss of democracy leads INEVITABLY to two things: economic decline and increased violence. If Texas wants to be in the Vanguard, let it be on the right side of history. Trump is going to pay for his steam-rollering but he doesn't care: he is not up for re-election whereas the Texas legislature is: those who choose the sword, die by it and the public is going to punish the Republican party for its current heavy-handedness. The unprecedented proposed re-districting may well provide a short-term gain but will be a long-term death-knell. My politics are centrist - a mix of left and right - but democracy, with a small d, is more important than any particular policy because the alternative is autocracy which never end well, for the population or the autocrats...