

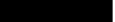


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Message:

Dear members of the senate,

I understand that given the current legal decisions regarding the four districts up for consideration by the state of Texas, TX-9, TX-18, TX-29, and TX-33, that currently, the Texas legislation must address. However, what concerns me is that President Donald Trump is asking for five new Republican seats in Texas. Now, in Texas, Republicans have been considered the party of "small government" for decades. Governor Abbott famously "went to work, sued the federal government, and went home" as Attorney General, and during Joe Biden's presidency, he fought him consistently, even bussing migrants to Washington, D.C. However, when the federal government demands Abbott find five new Republican seats, Abbott immediately hops to it? If the current electoral map that already skews heavily Republican was the will of the American people, how should legislators change that, especially at the request of the federal government?

In the beginning, Texas fought for its independence from Mexico, a government that restricted the rights of landowners. Not soon after Texas joined the United States, they fought for the rights of landowners in the Civil War. For decades, Texas has consistently stood up for the rights of its citizens. Why then should they skew the map without regard to their voters in favor of a president? If you drive down the street in some Texas towns, you see flags that read, "Don't Tread on Me." Why should lawmakers allow the federal government to tread on them?

Just because these districts are redrawn does not mean that they will gain advantages for Republicans. If anything, it might give Democratic voters, who are extremely motivated for 2026, an advantage in making some seats more competitive. Republicans already gained a majority in the Texas seats in the U.S. House in 2024. If they get greedy, they may lose even more and disappoint the very man who asked them to redistrict.

Please, if you are to redistrict, consider a map that could angle best towards bipartisanship. Republicans and Democrats work best when they work together. While Democrats dream big, Republicans keep them grounded in how to afford those dreams. If a district is Republican or Democrat, it should be because the people have decided it, not because a map skewed it in that way. How would you feel if a Democratic president asked a Democratic governor to find five extra Democratic seats in Texas? It is likely this course of events could happen sooner rather than later, especially given the current rifts in the Republican party.

I ask you to consider these things as you move forward. Like so many other Americans, I feel as if my voice is not heard. Just because you are voted to office does not mean you get to do whatever you want. It means that you need to follow the will of the people.

Thank you,  
Brandon Greer

