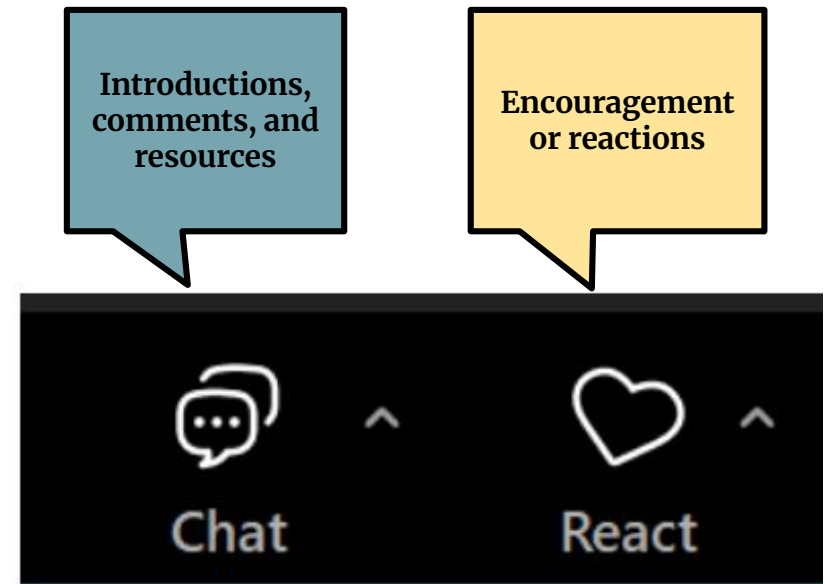


Voting Rights 2026: Navigating the Policy Landscape

Tuesday June 9, 2026

Announcements and Housekeeping

- A recording of the webinar will be sent within a week to everyone who registered.
- Closed Captioning available via Zoom.
- No Q&A today but please chat and react!



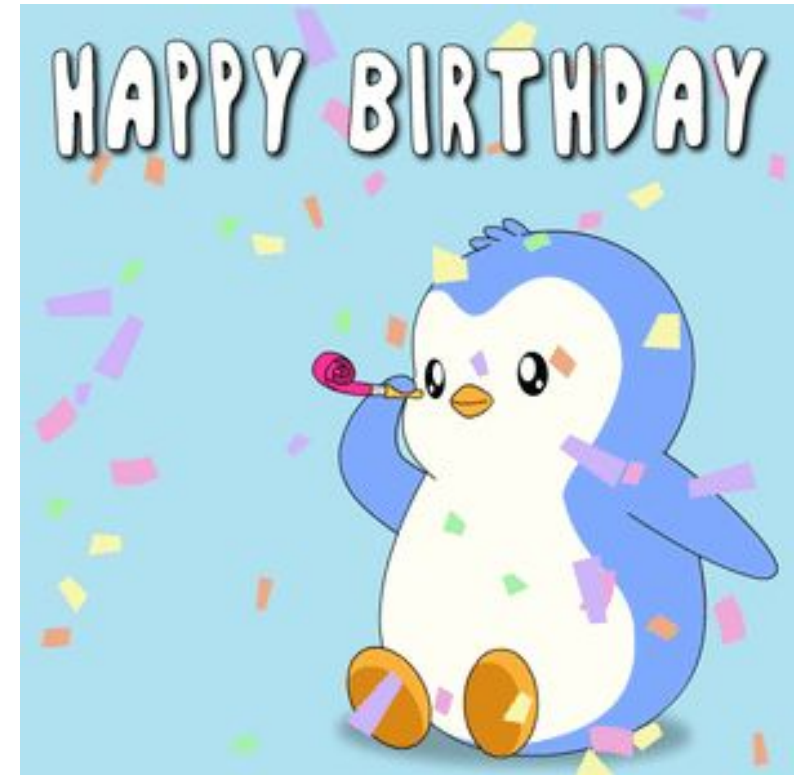
Agenda

- Welcome and Housekeeping
- Nonprofit VOTE
- Speakers
 - Voting Rights Act (VRA) and Callais Supreme Court Case–Michael Li, Brennan Center for Justice
 - Long Term Strategies–Brian Miller, Nonprofit VOTE
 - What Nonprofits can do NOW–Adrienne Kelly, Democracy North Carolina
- Call to Action
- Closing

Who is **Nonprofit VOTE**?

Mission: Nonprofit VOTE equips our nation's nonprofits with nonpartisan tools and resources to help the communities they serve participate in voting and democracy.

Vision: We envision a diverse network of nonprofits across the United States with the skills, resources, and commitment needed to foster a **more inclusive democracy** where all voices are heard, particularly those currently underrepresented in the voting process.



Speakers



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The Post-*Callais* Landscape

June 9, 2026

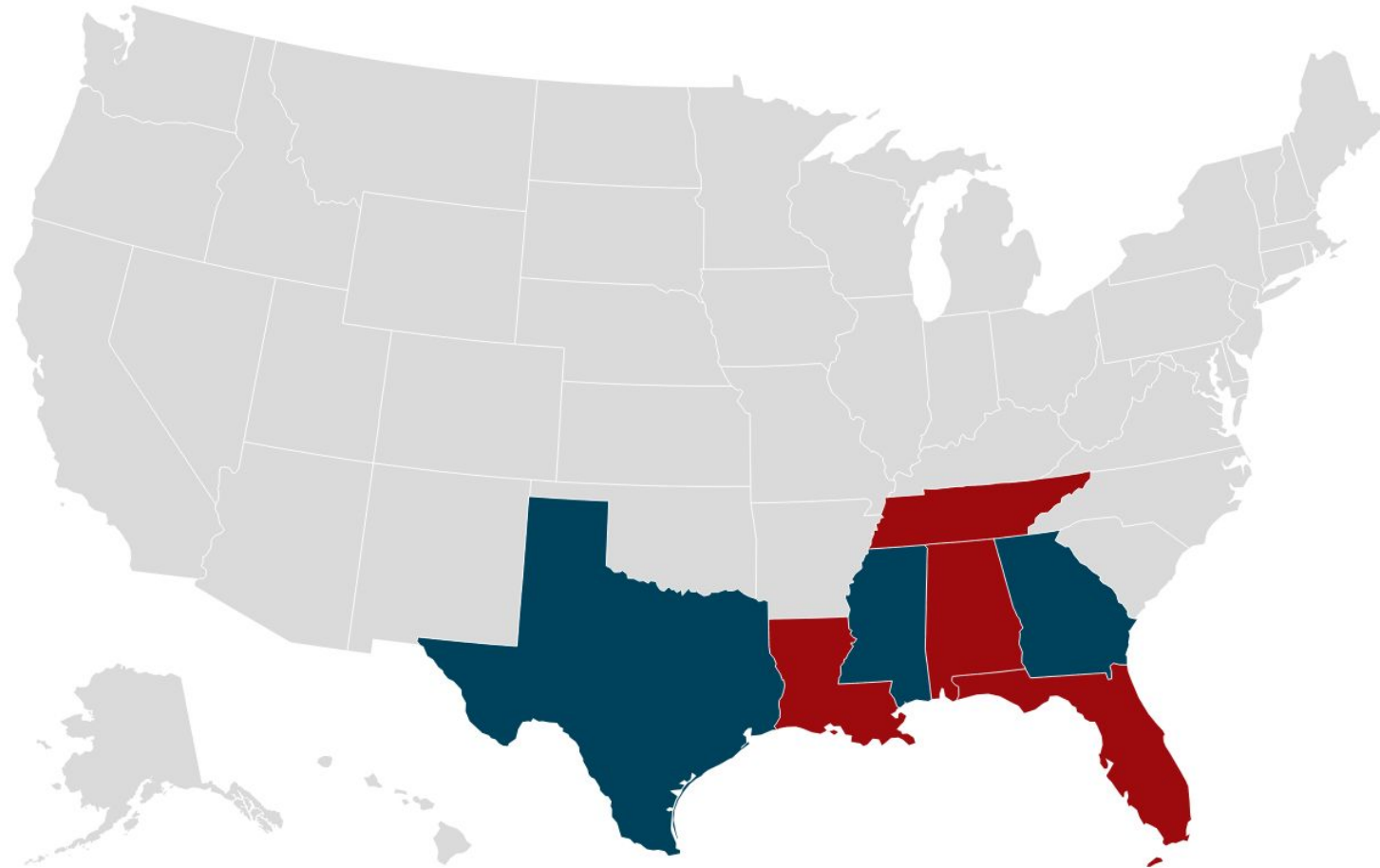
The Voting Rights Act of 1965



The State of Play

Congressional Redistricting Post-*Callais*

● Map Redrawn for 2026 ● Redraw Expected for 2028



States Redrawing Maps for 2026

Louisiana

Louisiana Cancels Primary

April 30, 2026

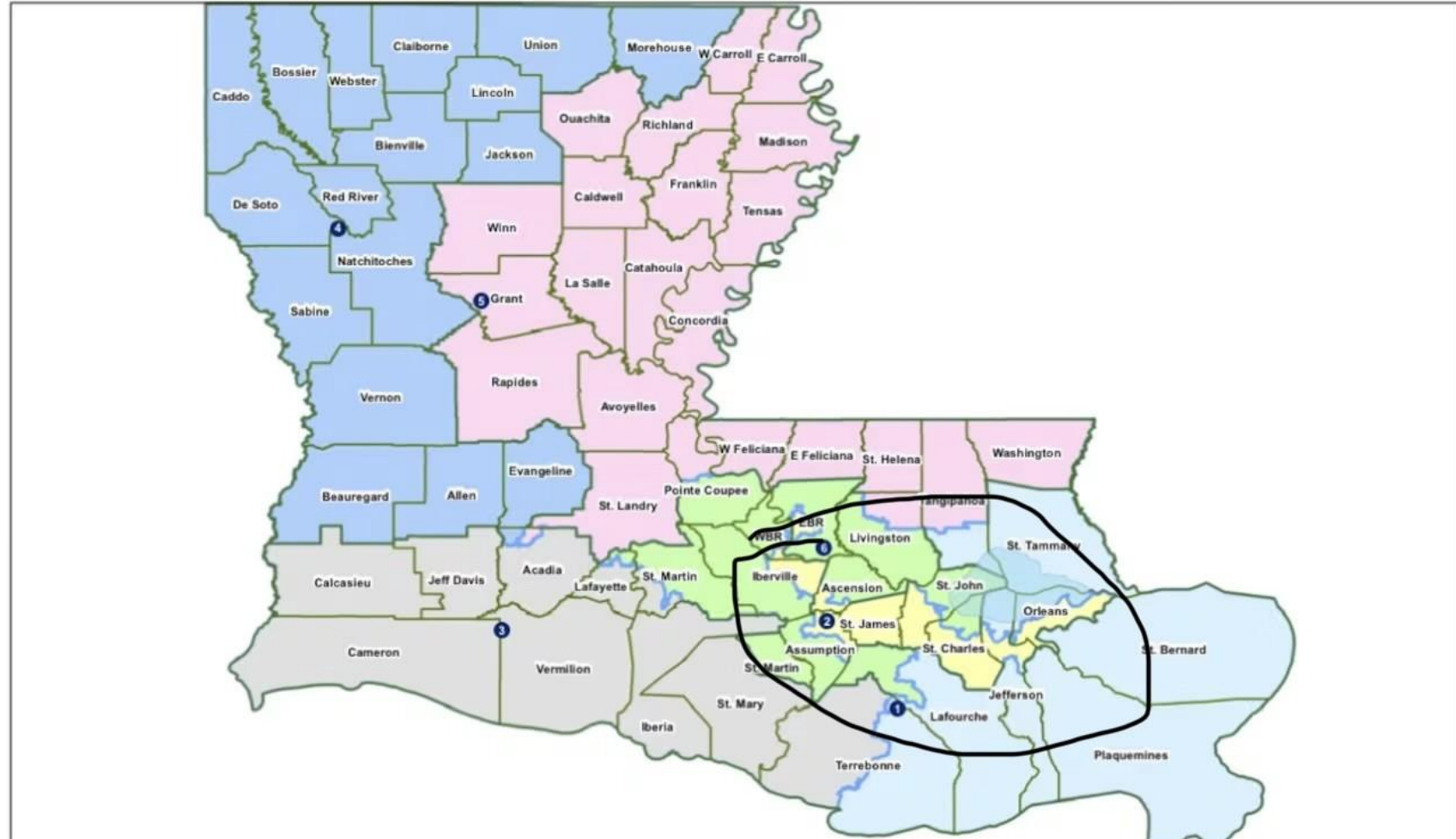
Governor Jeff Landry Suspends Only U.S. House Primary Elections Following Supreme Court Ruling

BATON ROUGE, La. — Governor Jeff Landry issued an executive order suspending Louisiana's closed party primary elections only for offices of U.S. Representative in response to the recent decision by the United States Supreme Court in *Louisiana v. Callais*. **EO attached.**

"The best way to end race-based discrimination is to stop making decisions based on race," **said Governor Jeff Landry.** "Here in Louisiana, we're proud to lead the nation on this charge. Allowing elections to proceed under an unconstitutional map would undermine the integrity of our system and violate the rights of our voters. This executive order ensures we uphold the rule of law while giving the Legislature the time it needs to pass a fair and lawful congressional map. I would like to thank Attorney General Liz Murrill for her hard work throughout this process"

Back to a Map with One Black District

Congress - HCA SB121 - 5662



Alabama

Court Rejects Alabama House Map, Calling It Unfair to Black Voters

Alabama is likely to appeal the ruling, which stops an effort to use a new congressional map that would likely cost Democrats a majority-Black district.



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NEWS

Alabama appealing to Supreme Court after House map deemed unfair to Black voters rejected

Updated: May. 26, 2026, 2:26 p.m. | Published: May. 26, 2026, 12:53 p.m.



COURT NEWS

Supreme Court permits Alabama to use congressional map struck by lower court as racially discriminatory



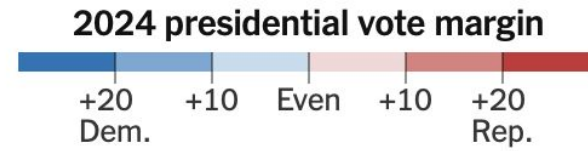
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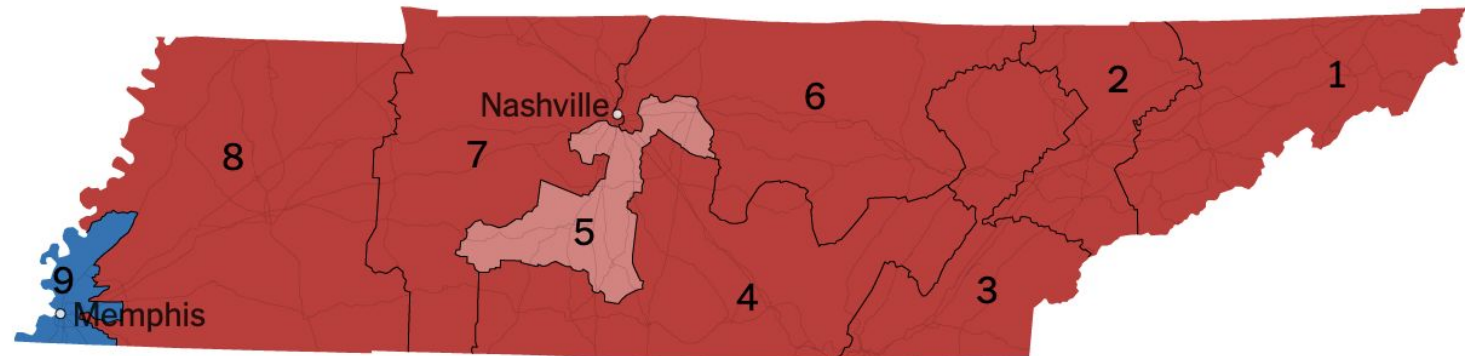


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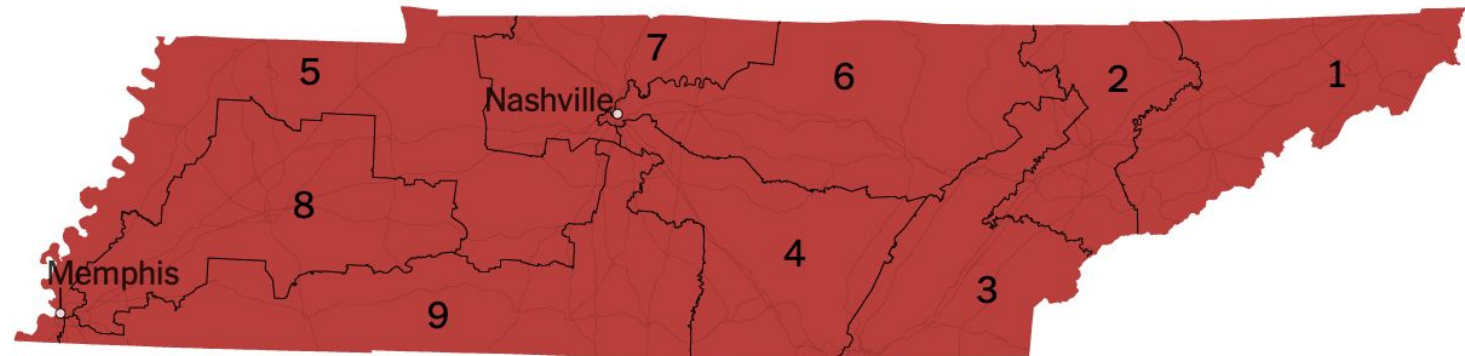
Tennessee



Current districts



Proposed districts



Bill eliminates requirement to notify voters with new polling places in new congressional districts

Published On: May 7, 2026

Categories: elections, Legislature

Tags: polling places, public notice, redistricting

A bill that passed through Tennessee House and Senate committees on Wednesday and is expected to pass on both floors today would eliminate voter notification requirements of changed voting districts.

JUST NOW: Rep. Todd Warner walks into the house to strip majority Black Memphis of representation wearing a trump flag as a cape as Rep. Camper of Memphis looks on

Video: [instagram.com/reel/DYCuFmtOt...](https://www.instagram.com/reel/DYCuFmtOt...)



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Three-judge panel upholds Tennessee redistricting

Judges appointed by the Tennessee Supreme Court dismissed a case brought by the NAACP of Tennessee seeking to overturn a GOP-led redistricting process that split Memphis into three districts; three other challenges in federal court remain

BY: ANITA WADHWANI - MAY 26, 2026 7:53 PM



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION

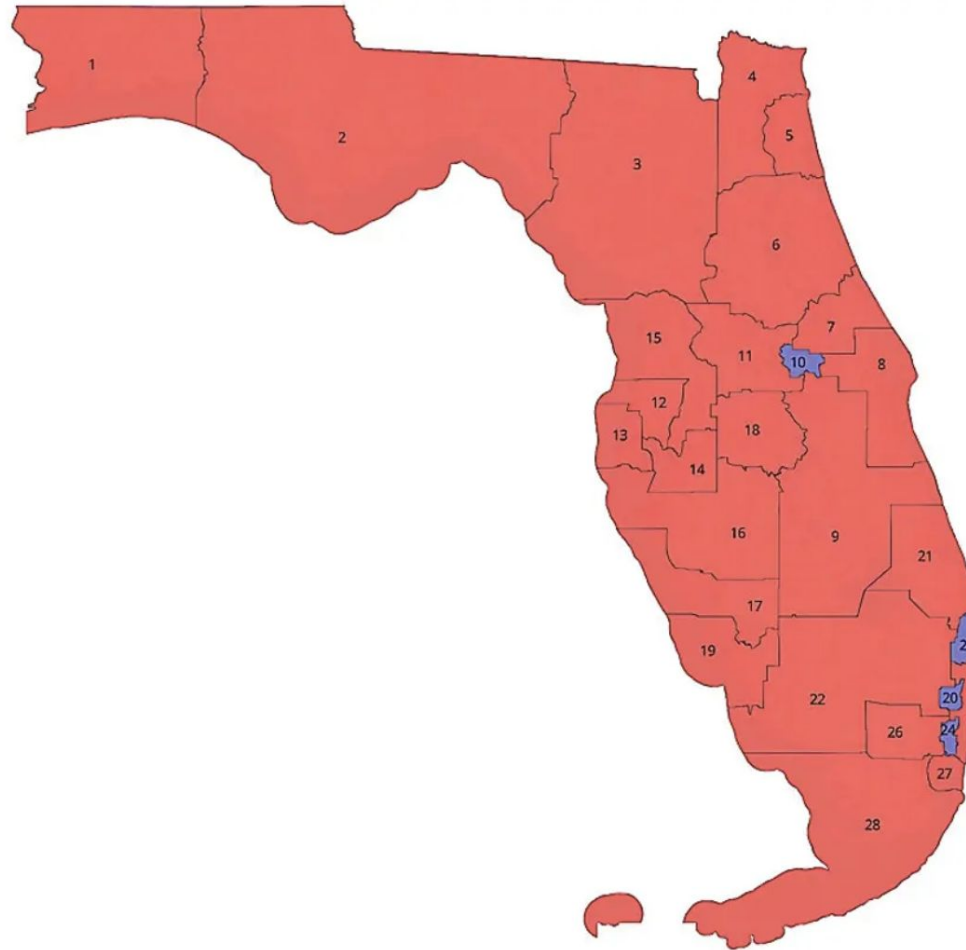
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CLERGY COLLABORATIVE OF	)	
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ALLIANCE	)	
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	)	MAGISTRATE JUDGE FRENSLEY
TRE HARGETT, in his official capacity	)	
as Secretary of State of Tennessee,	)	
MARK GOINS, in his official capacity as	)	
Coordinator of Elections for Tennessee;	)	
STATE ELECTION COMMISSION,	)	
and DONNA BARRETT, JUDY	)	
BLACKBURN, JIMMY ELDRIDGE,	)	
MIKE MCDONALD, SECONDRA	)	
MEADOWS, VANECIA BELSER	)	
KIMBROW, and KENT YOUNCE, all in	)	
their official capacities as members of the	)	
State Election Commission,	)	
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Defendants.	)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

On Thursday, May 7, 2026, the State of Tennessee enacted legislation that, among other things, redraws Tennessee’s congressional map (the “2026 Congressional Map”), dividing Shelby County and the city of Memphis into three districts.¹ The following Monday, May 11, 2026, Plaintiffs filed a Verified Complaint challenging the constitutionality of the reapportionment on grounds that it is racially discriminatory and was enacted in retaliation against Plaintiffs for political speech and association. (*See* Doc. No. 1). On May 13, 2026, Plaintiffs filed a motion for a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction in which they ask the Court to enjoin

Florida

Florida: A New 24R-4D Map Signed



Florida congressional map survives first court test



Andrew Pantazi



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Redraw States for 2028

South Carolina

South Carolina: Surprise Postponement

2026 ELECTION

South Carolina's Trump-backed redistricting push fails in the state Senate amid GOP opposition

Some Republican lawmakers expressed resistance to enacting a new map for this year's elections with early voting for the state's June primary beginning Tuesday.



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POLITICS

No new Georgia political maps for 2026. But the fight for 2028 is coming.

A Supreme Court ruling gives Republicans a new opening to reshape Georgia's political boundaries. U.S. Rep. Sanford Bishop could be targeted.



U.S. Rep. Sanford Bishop, pictured in 2024, holds one of the Democratic Party's last footholds outside metro Atlanta. Republicans could look to redraw his seat ahead of the 2028 election. (Hyosub Shin/AJC)

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Texas

Texas: Multiple New Maps for 2028

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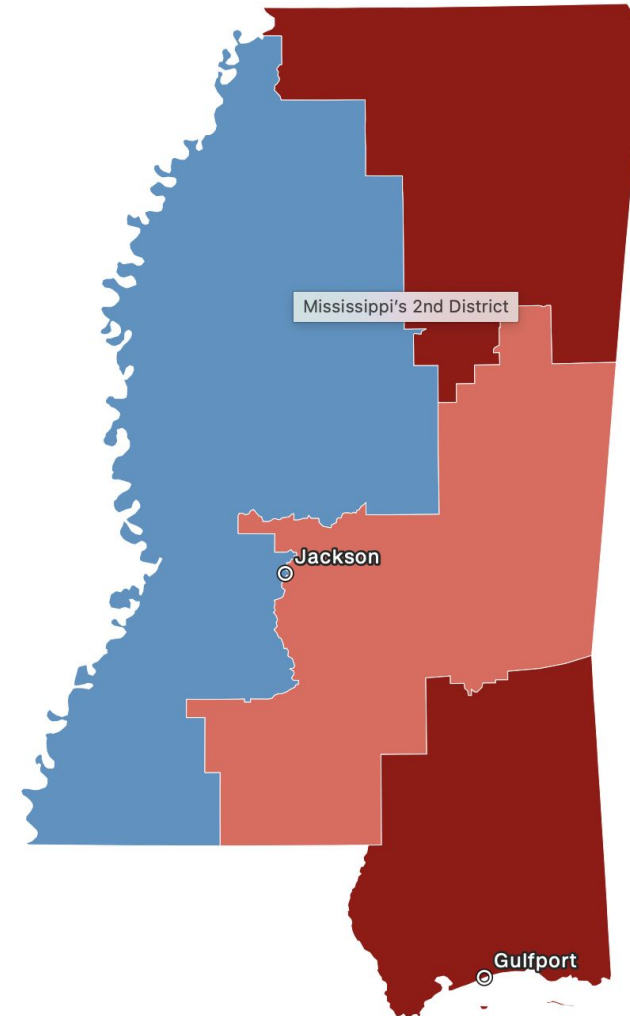
Rep. Mitch Little, a Lewisville Republican, said he anticipated the state would audit its maps and see if there was a need to redraw them in light of the Callais ruling.

“Someone is going to have to look at this and say, did we use race to draw majority-minority districts? And if so, that will encourage some soul-searching and review of where the lines lie,” he said, alluding to the court’s argument that sorting voters by race — even for the purpose of adhering to Section 2 — runs afoul of the Constitution. “I think there will be an appetite to get it right, whatever that means under the Callais opinion.”

On Wednesday, Gov. Greg Abbott called the ruling a “victory for state sovereignty and a recognition of the inherent equality of all Texans.” He did not say whether he thought the state should take another look at its voting maps; Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and House Speaker Dustin Burrows did not comment on the ruling or respond to a request for comment.

Mississippi

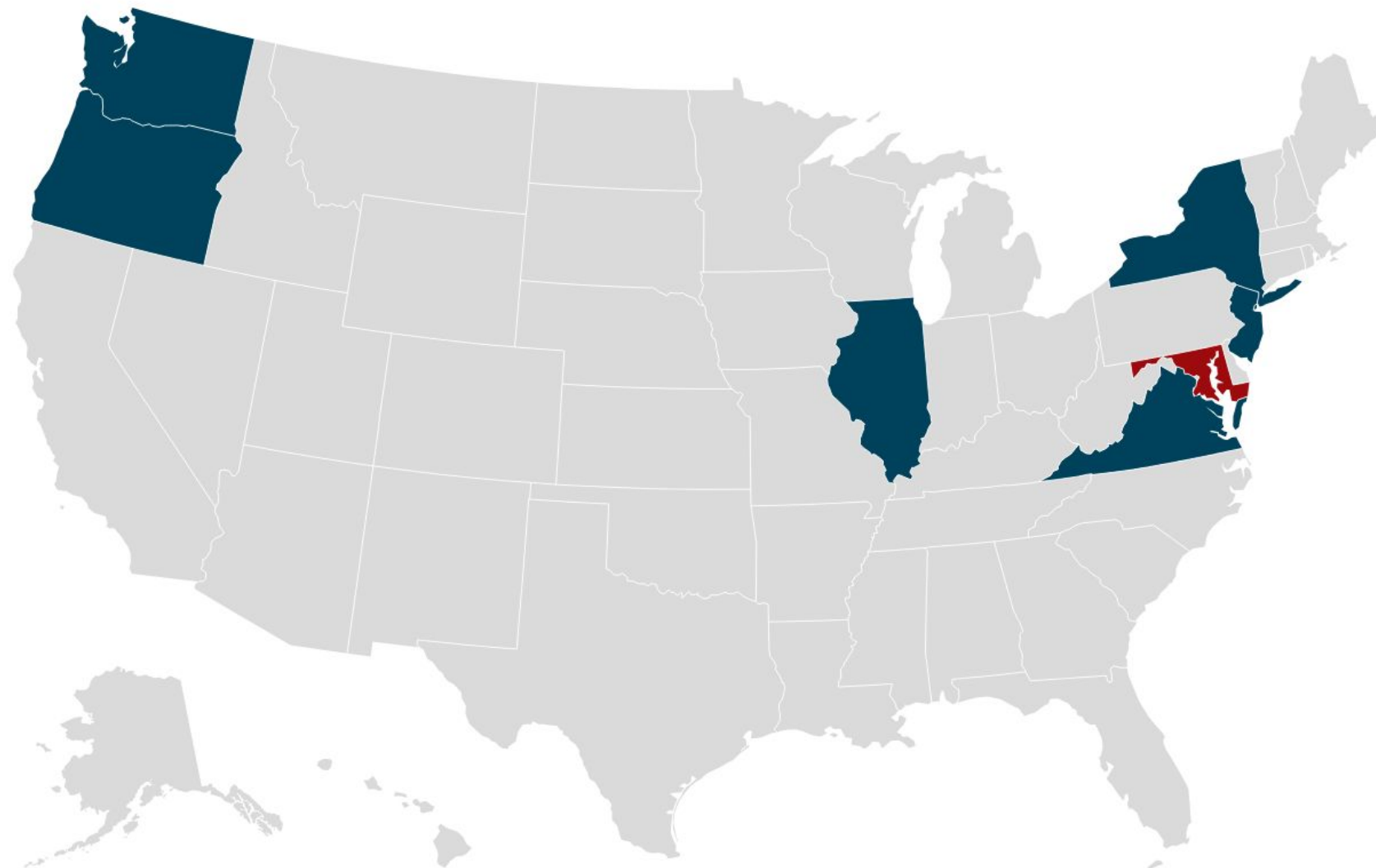
Mississippi



The Democratic States Respond

7 Democratic States to Watch

● Redraw in 2026 or 2028 ● Redraw in 2028



Redistricting Since 2025

STATE	DEMOCRATIC GAIN	REPUBLICAN GAIN
Alabama*		1
California	5	
Florida*		2 to 4
Louisiana*		1
Missouri		1
North Carolina		1
Ohio		0 to 1
Tennessee*		1
Texas		3 to 5
Utah	1	
Net	6	10 to 15

Note: * = map redrawn post-Callais. From Brennan Center analysis.

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AAG Harmeet Dhillon   @AAGDhillon · Apr 30



Senator — we are ON IT! This [@TheJusticeDept](#) under [@DAGToddBlanche](#) continues to prioritize equal protection of the laws for ALL Americans, be it in employment, housing, education — and VOTING!



Senator Eric Schmitt   @SenEricSchmitt · Apr 30

Today—as Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Constitution—I urged [@DAGToddBlanche](#) and [@AAGDhillon](#) to act on the Supreme Court’s ruling in *Louisiana v. Callais*.

DOJ has the power to enforce this decision nationwide and must use i...

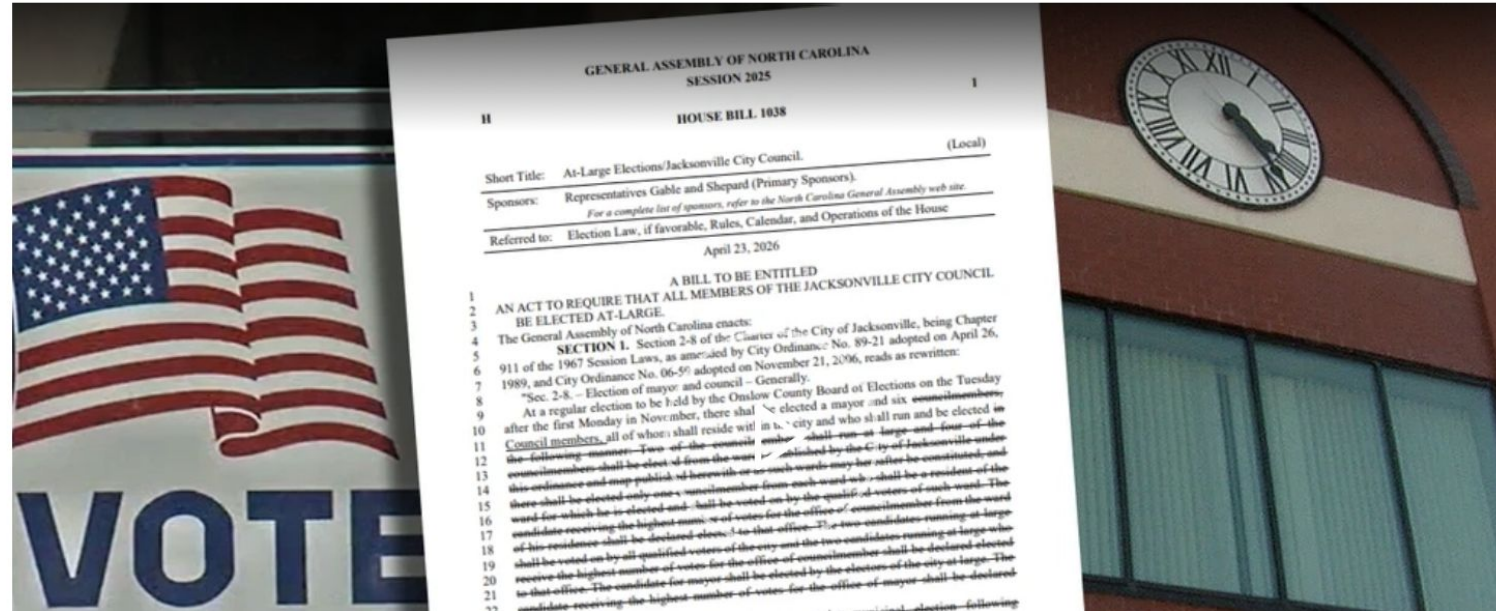
Local Threats

Retrogression En Masse

State bill would reshape Jacksonville City Council races

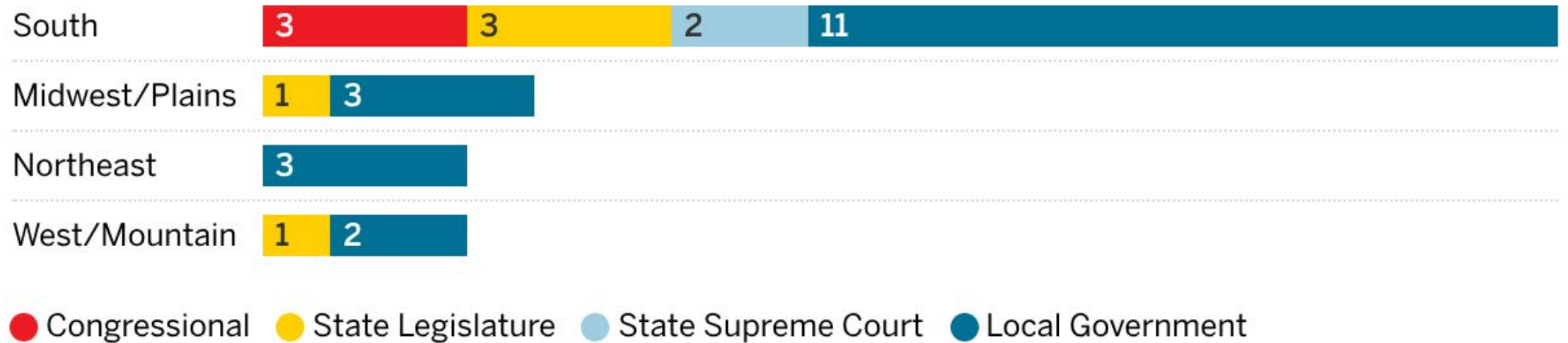
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Local Impact

Regional Breakdown of Cases Finding Section 2 Liability Since 2015



Note: Brennan Center analysis of court filings as of October 10, 2025.

Longterm Considerations and Strategies

Brian Miller,
Executive Director
Nonprofit VOTE

Building an Inclusive Democracy Moving Forward

Policy changes and strategies to restore some of what was lost?

- Ongoing litigation
- Ban partisan gerrymandering
- Restore pre-clearance
- State VRAs
- Alternative Models

One Alternative: Multi-Member, Proportional Districts

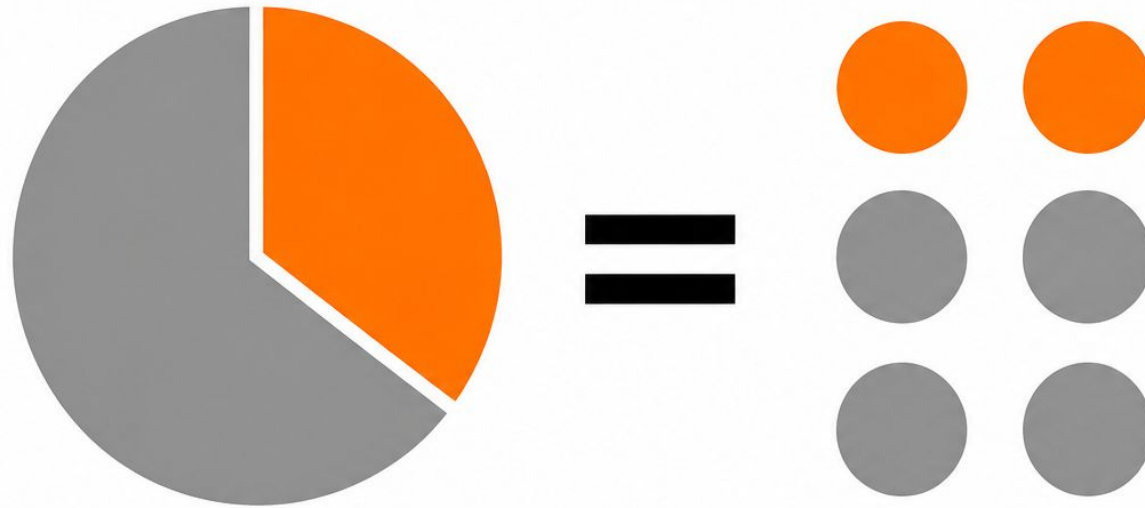
Several cities in the US use multi-member, proportional districts for their city council and other governance structures, with more adopting it each year.

The Portland, OR Example:

- 12 member city council
- 4 multi-member districts
- Each district elects 3 city councilors
- Ranked choice voting is used to narrow field to the top 3 winners
- Ensures minority representation with majority control

PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION

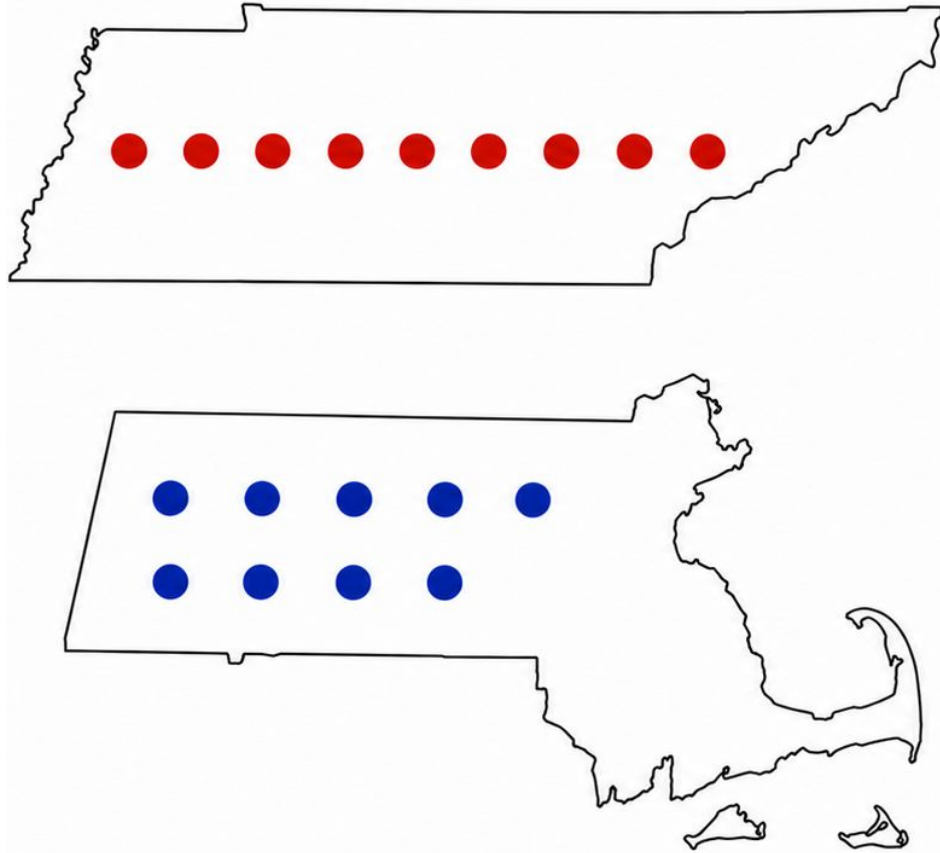
Votes = Seats



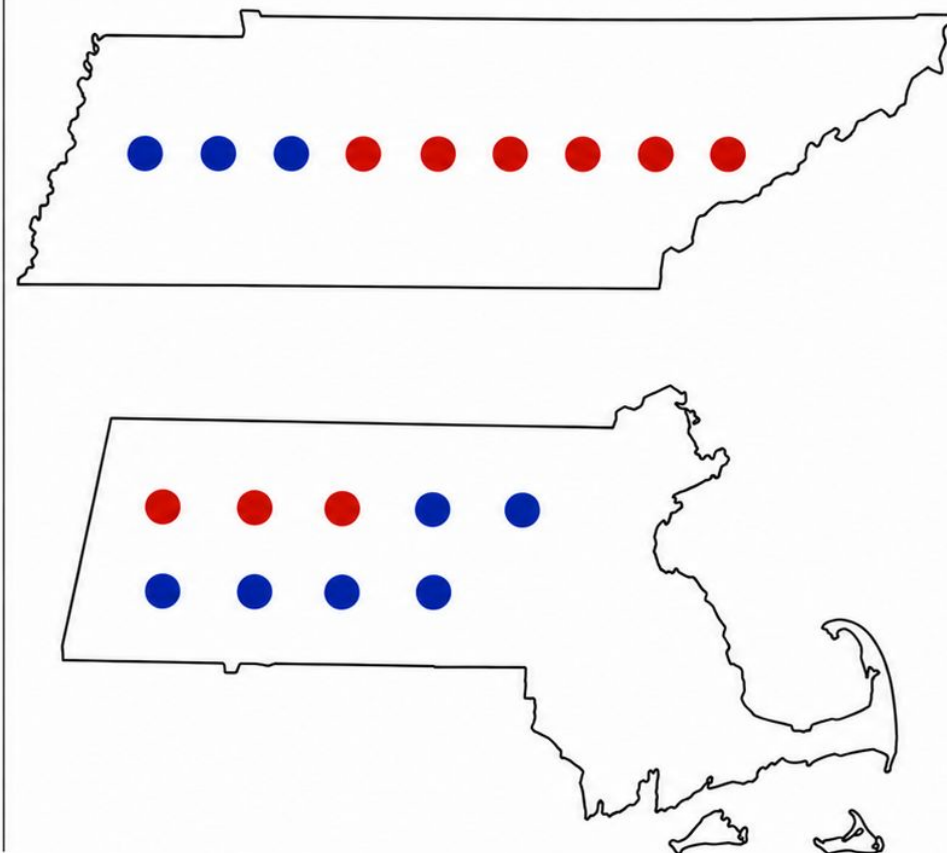
A share of votes elects a roughly equal share of seats.

Puts an End to Partisan Gerrymandering

Gerrymandered Winner Take All Districts

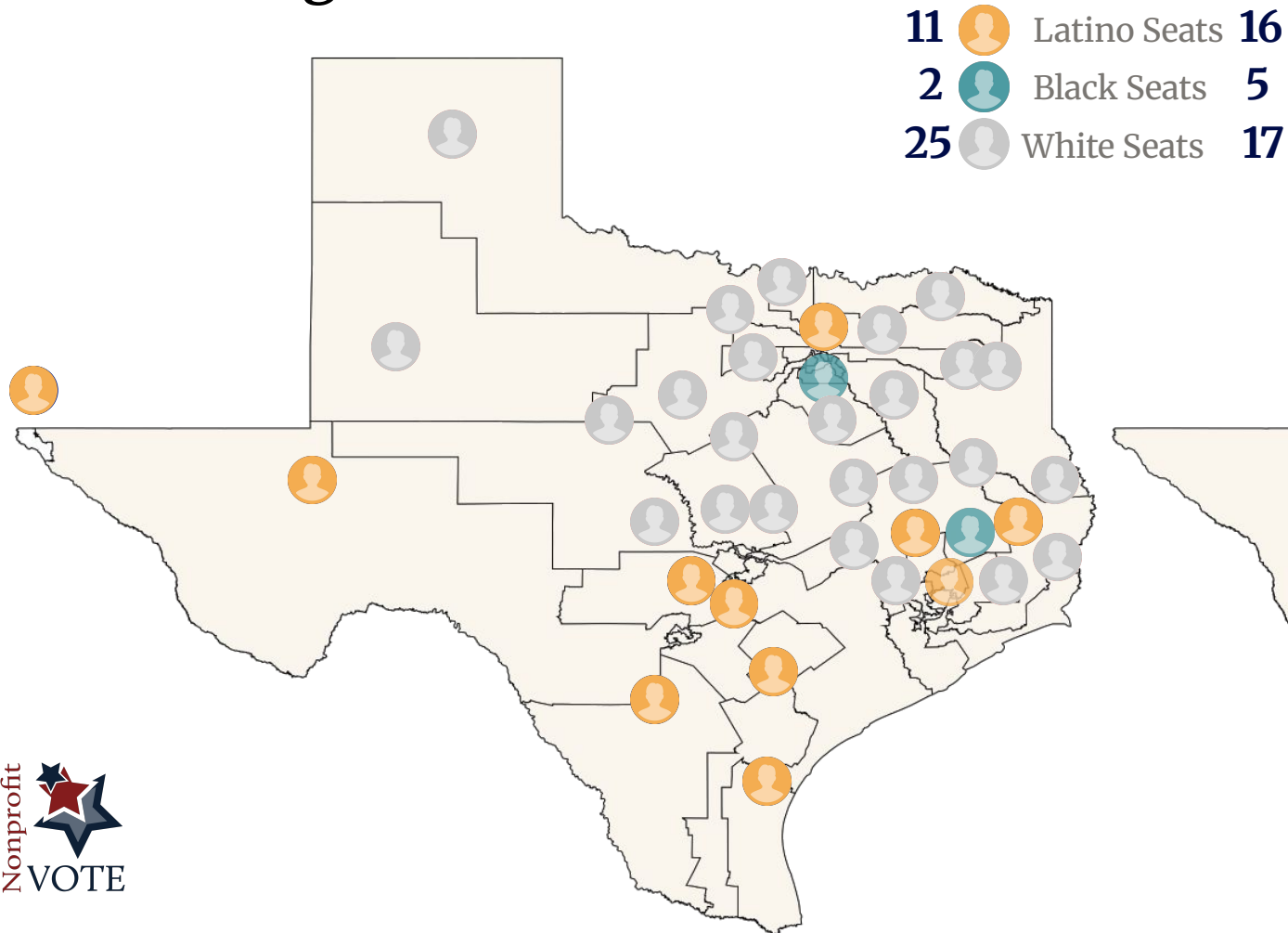


Proportional Representation

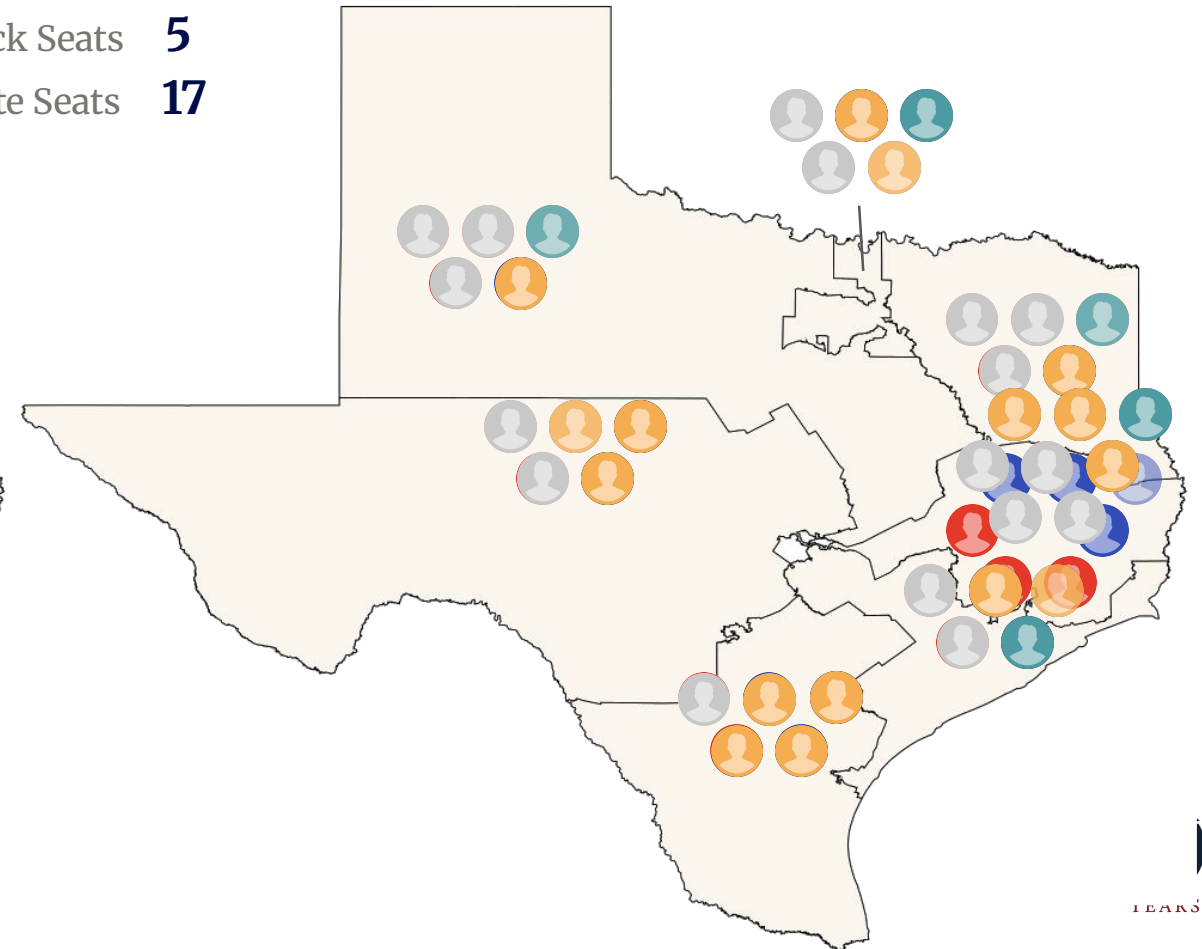


Helps Ensure Racial Equity in Representation

2026 Gerrymandered Single-Member Districts



Proportional Multi-Member Districts



Recap: Long-Term Policy Changes to Consider

- Ongoing litigation
- Ban partisan gerrymandering
- Restore pre-clearance
- State VRAs
- Alternative Models

But elections are in 5 months...

What Nonprofits Can Do NOW

Adrienne Kelly,
Executive Director
Democracy North Carolina



DEMOCRACY NORTH CAROLINA

We are a statewide, nonpartisan 501c(3) non-profit.

We utilize research, advocacy and organizing to:

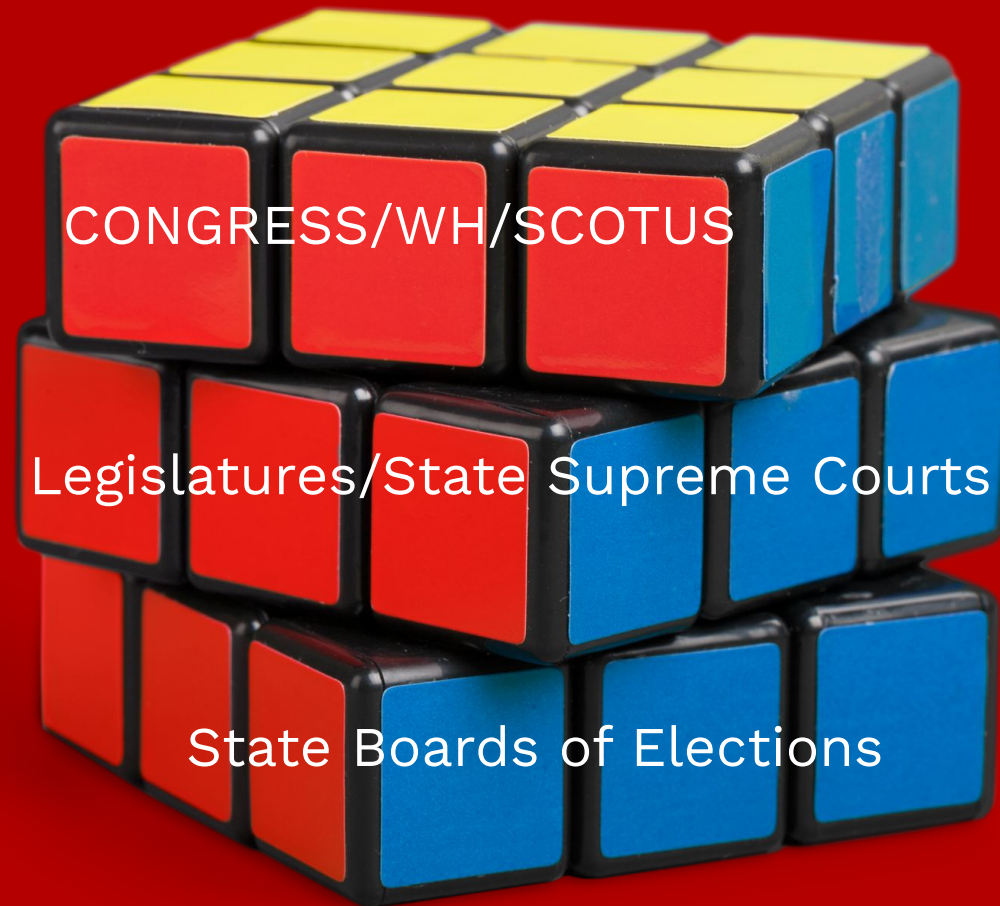
- educate voters,
- advocate for safe, accessible voting systems
- organize communities,
- mobilize the electorate,
- protect people at the polls



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Adrienne Kelly, Executive Director

A TRIFECTA: No Coincidence



Preventing Voters from Voting and Ballots from Counting

Across the Country

1500 Bills filed in

2025

(mostly restricting voter access)

- Mississippi: No grace period for Absentee ballots; cut Cut early voting time
- Texas – Added sworn statement requirement for disabled/elderly curbside voters
- New Hampshire –requires proof of citizenship, domicile, and age for mail registration
- Kansas – Eliminated grace period for mail-in ballots; ballots must arrive by 7 p.m. election day
- Indiana – Proof-of-citizenship at reg; loosened challenges to voter eligibility at polls
- North Dakota – Mail ballots no longer accepted at polls, only by mail, drop boxes, or election offices
- North Carolina - Implemented SAVE database to match voter lists

The number of hurdles are increasing to cast a vote!





US VOTER TURNOUT:

There is work to be done!

2024 Election Participation

ONLY 73% of eligible voters were registered

ONLY 65% of registered voters voted

Voter Registration is critical to ensuring more people
have the opportunity to have a say in their local,
state and federal government policies.



VOTER REGISTRATION:

The Gateway to Voter Engagement



Pre-registration available in 49 states + DC

Reach young people where they are

- High Schools, YMCAs, Churches, Sports
- Role of Parents

Nonprofit fight suppression efforts

- 30% of Nonprofits register voters
- Uniquely qualified --credibility, knowledge of their communities
- National Voter Registration Day (NVRD) September 15th (don't wait)

Watch for legislation and/or rules that curb
registration and SPEAK OUT



VOTER EDUCATION:



Cornerstone of Being an Informed Voter

Trusted Messengers:

- Brennan Center, ACLU, NAACP, NonProfit Vote, Common Cause, Democracy NC
- Variety of information sources: Voter Guides, Phone Banks, Canvassing, Issue/Candidate Forums

Nonpartisan Organizations focus on:

- WHAT: Offices and Issues are on the Ballot; Impact on individuals; communities
- WHEN: Are mail-in ballots available, early voting accessible, key deadlines
- WHERE: Can ballots be cast; where is the County Board of Elections office
- HOW: Make a Voting Plan, Have Acceptable ID, Register and Vote Early



Campaigns and Individuals, focus on the above and:

- WHO to vote for

Watch for Ballot Measures and late changes in rules,
polling sites and deadlines to turn in ballots



ELECTION PROTECTION:

The Ultimate Safeguard for Voters



Before

- CBOE monitoring
- Local advocacy

During

- Vote Protectors
- 866-OUR-VOTE Hotline
- De-escalation Training

After

- Canvass
- Election Protection Reports
- Advocacy

Know Your Rights



Organizations

MUST TAKE ACTION

- Be a Trusted Source of Information to Counter Mis/Disinformation
- Register Voters NOW
- Educate Voters on What, Where, When, How
- Protect voters through advocating with state legislature and BOE changes that inhibit voters and advocate
- Work with organizations who provide Vote Protectors at the polls



TURNOUT TURNOUT TURNOUT THE VOTE

ENSURE VOTERS CAN VOTE AND THEIR BALLOTS COUNT

Individuals

MUST TAKE ACTION

- Raise Awareness
- Counter Mis/Disinformation
- Speak up to Representatives in Writing, by Calling, by Visiting
- Keep an eye on your state BOE
- Talk to Your Friends and Relatives
- Protest: No Kings; other social/cultural issues all connect
- Register Voters NOW
- Find/Get/have your papers handy
- Be a Vote Protector
- Know Your Rights (KYR) and TURNOUT TO VOTE



DEMOCRACY NC



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS ^{Critical} ^ MATTER!

Call to Action

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is considering a rule that would prevent nonprofits from using federal funds for voter engagement work. They are accepting public comments through July 13, 2026, and our voices *need* to be heard.

1. [Read the rule here.](#)
2. [Submit a comment by July 13 here!](#)
3. [Share this explainer with a colleague.](#)



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- We really do read them
- They help us plan for future programming

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Short answer (500 characters)

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- ☐ Program Staff
- ☐ Communications Staff
- ☐ Development Staff
- ☐ Policy/Advocacy/Community Organizing Staff
- ☐ Administration/Operations Staff
- ☐ Volunteer
- ☐ Board Member
- ☐ Other

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- ☐ Local or regional organization with paid staff
- ☐ Local or regional organization with volunteers only
- ☐ Other

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