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Regarding: Senate

Message:

I am Dorthy Ann Compton and am representing myself.

In conversation with concerned Texans, the term Weaponized Gerrymandering came up. Got us thinking about the results of that effective and politically powerful phenomenon on the great state of Texas.

Our state legislature enacts laws for the health safety and welfare of us Texans and our Congressional representatives for the safety and welfare of the nation. We are a wealthy state ... How are we managing our responsibilities?

We're number one in the nation for uninsured children, at 1.4 million.

We're number one in the nation for child deaths from COVID

The grim reality for Texas children is that one in four lives in poverty.

With a Rating of 47th out of 50 states in the nation at protecting children from poverty and hunger during COVID

Texas is rated:

First AT BEING THE WORST in mental health care
" " " " " " in health care access and affordability
" " " " " in the number of insured adults

2nd highest rate of teen pregnancy

5th in Maternal Mortality

Governor Abbott and this legislative body has closed more hospitals than any other state

From June 2019 to June 2020,
Texas led the nation in Chapter 11 filings
More Texas corporations filed for bankruptcy
during the first six months of 2020 than ever before.
Texas ranks the 15th most dangerous state for rape and sexual assault
according to FBI statistics

Every 2 hours, a Texan commits suicide, the second leading cause of death for people aged 15 to 34

Weaponized Gerrymandering has made a mockery of our electoral system. Insulated representatives work within an echo chamber of lobbyists. Voters feel disenfranchised, bitter, and apathetic....

How about a Fair Shake for Voters through Fair Maps FOR the sake of the Great State of Texas