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Hi y'all,

There are a lot of bad bills to push back on this session: attacks on voting rights, abortion access, trans' rights, and threats to public ed. We are now in the next to last month of the legislative session. We need your help taking as many actions as you possibly can between now and May 31!

Reminder that our [Focus Bill Tracker](#) is live and being updated regularly. We've also added a column called "Action to take today" based on your feedback. Many of the bills that we OPPOSE are moving forward, and are highlighted. We need your help to stop them!

**Join us** for [ACTION banking](#) every Tuesday and Thursday at 1 pm! You'll have live support for your questions on CTAs, up-to-the-minute updates on bills, and you'll be able to connect with other activists across the state who are making a difference with you. ACTION banking is informal - you can come and go as you please. Come drop in! We'd love to see you there. And after you've taken action, don't forget to [log your progress](#)!

### **1. Call to OPPOSE HB 6 and SB 7 - Voter Suppression Act**

**Call your State Representative to OPPOSE HB 6 and SB 7, the voter suppression bills.**

SB 7 has made it out of the Senate and HB 6 had its committee hearing last week. HB 6 appears to still be in committee, so you can continue to call the Elections Committee as well as your own Representative. We'll keep updates coming at [the CTA on our website](#). These bills MUST BE STOPPED!!!

### **2. Call to OPPOSE SB 29 - Bathroom Bill 3.0**

**Call your State Senator to OPPOSE SB 29, aka, the "show me your genitals" bill.**

SB 29 passed out of committee last week, and now heads to the full Senate. Call your State Senator ASAP and urge them to OPPOSE SB 29. You can find a [script here](#).

### **3. Call to OPPOSE HB 1925 - Criminalization of Homelessness**

**Call your State Rep and the House Calendar Committee to SUSPEND scheduling HB 1925 floor debate.**

Last week, we asked you to [call the House State Affairs Committee to OPPOSE HB 1925](#). Unfortunately it passed out of committee, and now goes to the Calendar Committee that schedules bills for floor debate. The Calendar Committee can hold on scheduling a bill as a delay tactic, so call them and push them to hold the bill. After you call the Calendar Committee, call your own State Rep and tell them to vote NO on HB 1925 that would criminalize homeless.

Call: [House Calendar Committee Members](#)

#### **4. Call to SUPPORT HB 1741 - Medicaid Expansion**

**Call the House Appropriations Committee to hear and approve HB 1741 - Medicaid Expansion in Texas.**

HB 1741 is another bill that would expand Medicaid and save Texas over \$100M. Background information, phone numbers, and script are all on [the CTA on our website!](#)

#### **5. Testify at the Redistricting Hearing on April 8**

**Sign up to provide Redistricting testimony at the House Redistricting Committee on April 8 at 10 am.**

This hearing requires you to sign up 24 hours ahead of the hearing in order to testify remotely (note that that is a change from last week's hearing). The April 8th hearing is focused on East Texas, but the committee will hear testimony about any region of Texas. [Check out our CTA for more information](#), including links to register. Written testimony will also be accepted.

#### **6. Call to SUPPORT HB 1867 - Public Education Accountability Reform**

**Call the House Education Committee, the Speaker's Office, and your State Rep to SUPPORT HB 1867, the Public Education Accountability Reform Bill.**

Our public school accountability system is broken. HB 1867 seeks to fix it. [Read more about the bill, who you need to call, scripts, plus a great video with Representative Mary Gonzalez, one of the authors of the bill on our website.](#)

#### **7. Show up for Abortion Rights**

**Join Planned Parenthood's virtual Advocacy Week of Action April 6-9 and push back against legislation that will threaten Texans' access to safe and legal abortion.**

Several bills that would essentially make abortion illegal in Texas have already made it through the Senate. We must do everything we can to stop these bills in the House. Texans will die if we lose access to safe and legal abortion. Take action to help save a Texas life!

Sign up: [Planned Parenthood Advocacy Week of Action 2021](#)

#### **8. Call to OPPOSE HB 1171 - Requiring Fetal Lawyers**

**Call your State Rep to OPPOSE HB 1171, because Fetuses do not need lawyers!**

This awful bill has already made it out of committee, so we need to push back on our own Representatives. For background info and scripts, check out [the CTA on our website.](#)

#### **9. Call to OPPOSE HB 1026 - Voter Registration Takeover by the State**

**Call the House Elections Committee and Testify at the Elections Committee Hearing on April 8 at 8 am to OPPOSE HB 1026 that would give the Secretary of State all voter registration responsibilities.**

Texas is already the hardest state in the country to vote. This bill will make it even harder to register to vote by doing away with all Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrars and high school voter registrars.

Call: [House Elections Committee](#)

Testify in person: [Notice of Public Hearing](#)

Provide written testimony: [House Public Comment](#)

**10. Call and testify to OPPOSE HB 1515 and other Anti-Abortion bills**

**Call the House Public Health Committee and Testify at their hearing on April 7 at 8 am to OPPOSE HB 1515 - the fetal heartbeat bill and other bad bills that will make abortion essentially illegal in Texas.**

These bills are awful, and if passed, will essentially make abortion illegal in Texas. Fetal heartbeats are detected as early as 6 weeks into pregnancy. So most people don't even know that they're pregnant once a heartbeat can be detected. We need to stop these bills, or Texans will die. Show up to keep abortion safe and legal in Texas!

Call: [House Committee on Public Health](#)

Testify in person: [Notice of Public Hearing](#)

Provide written testimony: [House Public Comment](#)

There is A LOT happening right now. Let's make sure we finish the session strong, and not lamenting having done more after the final gavel-out to end the session on May 31.

Also want to give a huge THANK YOU to our fearless [issue huddle leaders](#) who follow these bills and let us know what actions we should be taking. And THANK YOU to all of the Texans who have been heading up to the capitol to provide in-person testimony or making calls. We are forever grateful for your efforts!

Much love,

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