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TSTA: Voting suppression bill is a shameful, desperate attempt at political survival

Texas State Teachers Association President Ovidia Molina released the following statement:

The Texas State Teachers Association opposes House Bill 6, the voter suppression bill that the Texas House of Representatives is expected to debate tomorrow. This bill undermines the democratic process for which people have died, it perpetuates the lie of “widespread voter fraud” and it sends the wrong message to Texas’ school children, who have been taught from the earliest grades to value the right to vote.

Many high school students will be voting in their first election next year, if this bill doesn’t survive to deter them.

This bill is a brazen attempt by those in power to stay in power by intimidating and discouraging untold numbers of potential voters who oppose them and their priorities. This is not democracy. It is a shameful, desperate attempt at political survival that disrespects our Constitution.

Legislators should be doing everything they can to encourage voting, not suppress it.