



Taking Trump to Court

Virtual Town Hall Hosted by Congressman Mark DeSaulnier (CA-10)

with Special Guest Rob Bonta, Attorney General of California

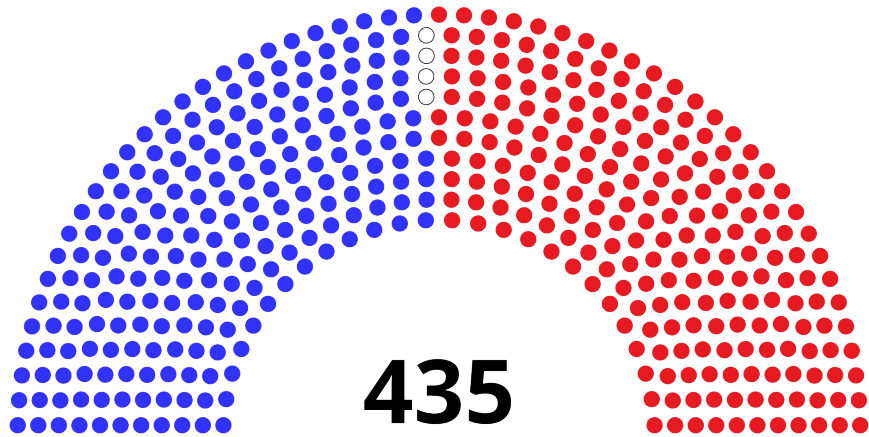
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Republicans Hold Majorities in Both Chambers of Congress

U.S. House

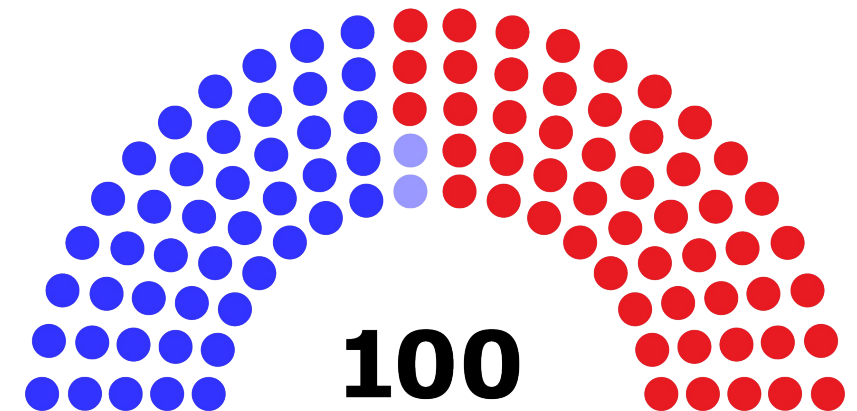
219 Republicans, 212 Democrats

4 vacancies (TX-18, AZ-07, VA-11, and TN-07)



U.S. Senate

53 Republicans, 45 Democrats, two Independents



Being in the minority means Democrats do not have the power to decide which bills are voted on or debated, or to call hearings.

But that doesn't mean we aren't taking action.

Administration Attacks on California

The Trump Administration is attacking Californians and our values.

- **Conducting mass ICE raids that tear apart immigrant families and communities.**
- **Deploying National Guard members and Marines to quash protests in Los Angeles, over the objections of Governor Newsom and despite First Amendment protections.**
- **Violently removing Senator Alex Padilla from a press conference with Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem while he was attempting to exercise his constitutionally-mandated oversight responsibilities.**
- **Targeting California's regulations promoting electric vehicles and cleaner air.**
- **Threatening the University of California system over diversity initiatives and withholding federal funding for California schools.**



Litigation Against the Administration

The judicial process is one tool to stop Trump, or at least slow him down:

- House Democrats are coordinating on efforts to challenge illegal or unconstitutional Administration actions through the Litigation/Response Task Force.
- Over 300 lawsuits have been filed against the Administration, and district and circuit courts have issued at least 102 orders blocking or temporarily pausing Trump's actions.
- While the Administration has so-far lost over 90% of cases at the district and appellate level, the Supreme Court has sided with Trump in nearly every case and has refused to strike down any of his blatantly unconstitutional actions.



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Since the start of the second Trump Administration, I've supported over 140 efforts to stand up and fight back, including:

- **Signing 12 amicus (“friend of the court”) briefs opposing illegal or unconstitutional actions by the Administration.**
- **Supporting the State of California’s work to hold the Administration accountable through lawsuits challenging the Administration’s deployment of the National Guard and Marines in Los Angeles, the illegal cancellation of California’s Clean Air Act waivers, and other harmful policies.**

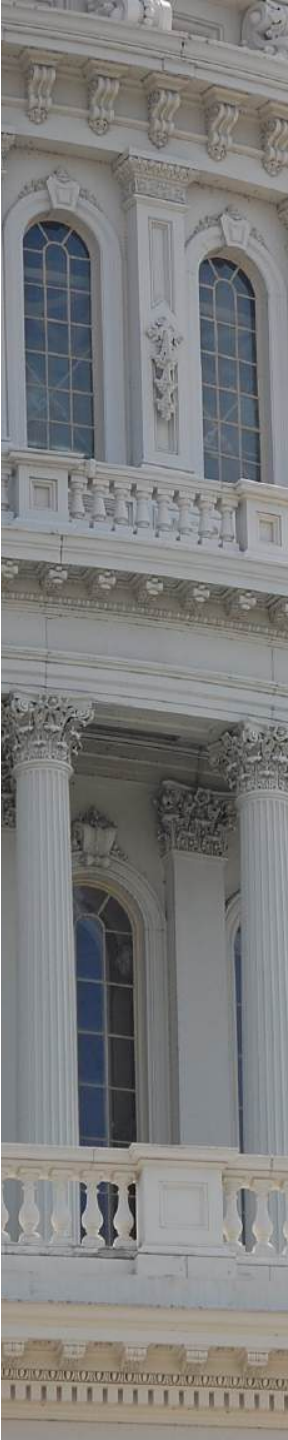


Learn More About How We're Taking Action and How to Make Your Voice Heard:



Sign up for Mark's newsletter for weekly updates.

- Rapid Response Task Force and Litigation Working Group
- House Oversight Committee: Exposing DOGE's Dealings
- Share your personal stories about the harms of the Administration with House Leadership.
- Report illegal or harmful actions to the California Attorney General.
- Report Potential Wrongdoing Under the Trump Administration with Oversight Committee



Attorney General Rob Bonta



- **Appointed as California's 34th Attorney General by Governor Newsom in April 2021.**
- **Previously served as a Member of the California Assembly from the 18th District from 2012 – 2021.**
 - **Mark overlapped in the State legislature for 3 years with AG Bonta (2012 – 2015).**
- **Attorney General Bonta has led the effort to defend California from the Trump Administration in court.**

