



TELL CONGRESS: Trump, Stephen Miller, and Ted Cruz are trying to end dissent and criminalize free speech. Cruz is pushing a dangerous anti-protest bill that would punish organizations that supported the No Kings rallies and increase the risk for anyone speaking out against the Trump regime. **Sign the petition: Block Ted Cruz's bill to criminalize protests!**

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Ted Cruz and Trump's MAGA loyalists in Congress are pushing a bill Cruz says would criminalize organizations that support protests against Trump, like the recent No Kings rallies.¹

Trump and Stephen Miller are mobilizing the Department of Justice, Department of Homeland Security, and FBI to target organizations and people opposing their authoritarian takeover.² Cruz's bill, endorsed by Kash Patel, would help the Trump admin round up political opponents and prosecute them.³

This dangerous bill (the "Stop FUNDERS Act") is a threat to anyone who shows up to protests or even expresses a dissenting opinion. Congress must stop this unconstitutional attack on the First Amendment and prevent MAGA officials from criminalizing protest.

[Sign the petition: Stop Ted Cruz's bill to criminalize protest and dissent. Protect our First Amendment rights now!](#)

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Trump has already demanded that Pam Bondi use the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) to prosecute his political opponents, and Cruz's bill would give Congressional approval for this attack on free speech.⁴

"By branding protest as a criminal activity, this bill threatens to intimidate people from engaging in peaceful, lawful advocacy and puts everyday Americans at risk of being dragged into sprawling investigations," said Americans Against Government Censorship.⁵

In response to Cruz's bill and Trump's attacks, journalist Mehdi Hassan said, **"They want to ban protests. They want to kill the First Amendment."**⁶

Trump's DOJ lackeys have secured indictments against Letitia James and James Comey. His admin is charging protesters as terrorists. Congress must stand up to Trump's authoritarianism, and oppose legislation that allows the White House to weaponize law enforcement against the people.

[Sign the petition: Oppose Cruz's dangerous "Stop FUNDERS Act."](#)

Thanks for taking action,

Joey and the Demand Progress team

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