

**O'Brien, Shawn**

**From:** Tucker, Rep. (District Office)  
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**From:** Barbara Major [mailto:bmajor1225@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 3:59 PM  
**To:** Tucker, Rep. (District Office)  
**Subject:**

Dear Rep. Tucker

Please include this email in the record of the House Government Affairs Committee, for review by the U.S. Department of Justice or any district court determining pre-clearance pursuant to the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

As a resident of Orleans Parish, I understand that Hurricane Katrina displaced many of our residents, which reduced our population count. However, I don't think it created the population loss that supports your elimination of 4 representative seats. I remained optimistic that those of you representing the people of Louisiana would have responded with a fair a just redistricting proposal for Louisiana. Yet with HB 1 and amendments 203 and 248 you continue to demonstrate the need for the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

As an African -American citizen I hoped that Louisiana would demonstrate that its' history was just that, history. Instead your action on this legislation with the amendments has proven that Louisiana has not moved beyond it racial discriminatory history of attempting to dilute African-American voting power. In Louisiana many things have changed, the fight for Racial Justice for the African-American community has not.

I am asking that you reconsider your vote and support of HB 1 with the amendments of 203 and 248

Respectfully,

Barbara Crain Major