

# State of New Illinois

# Grievance 9

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**THE GOVERNMENT OF ILLINOIS IS A TYRANNY**

## **Declaration of Grievance**

**The Declaration of Independence states:**

*That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.*

*This is not happening in Illinois!*

**The New Illinois Declaration of Independence states:**

*...there has been a long train of abuses and acts to seize and hold the People's power without legal authority. When such efforts clearly demonstrate a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Protections for their future security.*

*This IS happening in Illinois!*

## **The People of Illinois are suffering under a tyrannical state government**

Tyranny sounds like an extreme word, but the Founding Fathers used it often. A tyrannical government is unfair, unjust, and exercises power without legal restraint. Do we have evidence that Illinois is a tyranny?

Economist and scholar Walter Williams stated the following: *Keep in mind that one does not have to be in favor of death camps or wars of conquest to be a tyrant. The only requirement is that one must believe in the primacy of the state over individual rights.*

**The first mark of tyranny is oppressive or unjust use of power.**

- Illinois infringes on our right to Government of the People, by the People, and for the People. Illinois politicians give insiders, public sector unions, and Chicago/Cook County

disproportionate power. The rights of rural, small town and suburban residents are trampled upon.

- In 1763, American patriot James Otis proclaimed that *Taxation without representation is tyranny*. Illinois residents outside of Cook County have taxation without representation.

**Second, a tyranny is unrestrained by the Law or the Constitution.**

- Illinois violated *the Supremacy Clause of the U.S. Constitution* (Article VI, Clause 2) by becoming a sanctuary state. Broke Illinois now spends \$3.85 billion per year on services for people who are breaking the law to be here.
- Illinois *violates its own State Constitution*, which requires legislative districts to be compact. But Illinois districts are shaped like snakes, earmuffs, and lightning bolts. As stated in Grievances 3 and 8, district maps are a tool to steal representative government from We the People and increase the power of the Cook County political machine. By consistently degrading the influence of voters outside of Cook County, Illinois violates the U.S. Constitution's Equal Protection Clause of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment.

**Third, a tyranny does not derive its just powers from the consent of the governed.**

- Since the people outside of Cook County lack representation, it is impossible for Illinois government to have their consent.
- Power belonging to the elected state legislature has been given to unelected bureaucrats. This practice destroys a republican form of government. For instance, the State Board of Education, not the state legislature, decided that Critical Race Theory would be taught in the schools, pre-K through grade 12. This standard was approved by a committee of only 12 legislators, despite an outcry from the People.

**Fourth, a tyranny is often led by incompetent leaders**

- Despite outrageously high taxes, Illinois' leaders have amassed enormous debt, and We the People are on the hook for it.
- Illinois politicians created a dysfunctional unemployment system. One million people who were out of work in 2020 were left in jeopardy when they couldn't get their funds.
- Illinois' leaders have failed in their first responsibility, to represent the citizens.

**Fifth, a tyranny infringes on the Rights of the People**

- Illinois has infringed on the conscience rights of healthcare workers and other employees.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment is important for citizens to protect themselves against tyranny, but Illinois infringes on the People's 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights every day.

Whereas the State of Illinois has violated both the U.S. and the Illinois Constitutions, governed incompetently, infringed on our rights, and deprived the People of representative government;

We the People of New Illinois declare that the STATE OF ILLINOIS IS A FAILED STATE and has lost its legitimacy. Illinois has broken the compact that bound us together, because it has not fulfilled its side of the bargain.

**This Concludes These Proceedings**