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## Urgent: Here's how you can Stop Trump's Attempt to Defang our Courts through his Reconciliation Bill

**NOTE: Early Thursday morning (5/22) the House passed Trump's "Big Beautiful" Reconciliation Bill. So now it goes to the Senate, and with it is a new sneaky clause that would tie the court's hands when holding Trump accountable. We need to take action TODAY to stop this clause.**

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Action Summary	<p>Call your 2 Senators to urge them to OPPOSE any version of the reconciliation bill that includes language that would <b><i>change what is required for judges to enforce restraining or injunction orders.</i></b></p> <p>Depending on how much background reading you do (and your familiarity with the topic), <b>10 minutes! Please do it now!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Read the background information</li><li>● Call your US Senators to demand they stop the reconciliation bill so long as it includes this clause.</li></ul>
Why We Think This is Important	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Personal Relevance - High</b></li><li>● <b>Expanded Implications - High</b></li><li>● <b>Educational Value - High</b></li><li>● <b>Impact Potential - High</b></li><li>● <b>Urgency - High</b></li></ul>
Background Information	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Stop Trump's Attempt to Defang our Courts through his Reconciliation Bill</b></p> <p>From the <a href="#">Democracy Docket</a>:</p> <p>"The multitrillion-dollar reconciliation bill the House GOP passed Thursday includes a provision that would, if it becomes law, <b><i>curtail when courts can force parties to comply with their orders.</i></b></p> <p>It reads:</p> <p>"No court of the United States may use appropriated funds to enforce a contempt citation for failure to comply with an injunction or temporary restraining order if</p>

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	<p>no security was given when the injunction or order was issued pursuant to <a href="#">Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(c)</a>, whether issued prior to, on, or subsequent to the date of enactment of this section,” the provision <a href="#">reads</a>.</p> <hr/> <p>During a debate on the reconciliation bill Wednesday, Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), the ranking member of the House Judiciary Committee, appeared to not fully grasp what exactly the provision would do. When asked about it, Jordan said it only applies to nationwide injunctions in immigration cases.</p> <p>After Rep. Joe Neguse (D-CO) noted that the provision does not contain the words “immigration” or “nationwide,” Jordan briefly consulted lawyers before saying that Republicans may have to “look at the language.”</p> <p>“It’s 6 a.m. You’re voting on this thing in like 10 hours. What are we talking about?” Neguse said.”</p> <p>Read more here:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <a href="#">Republican Bill Would Limit Judges’ Contempt Power</a> - New York Times</li><li>● <a href="#">Robert Reich on “The hidden provision in the Big Ugly Bill that makes Trump king”</a>- Substack</li><li>● <a href="#">These Hidden Provisions in the Budget Bill Undermine Our Democracy</a> - CLC Advanced Democracy Through Law</li></ul>
Source	Freedom Writers
Action Prep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Find Your Senators:</b> Use <a href="#">THIS League of Women Voters LINK</a> to look up your two U.S. Senators. You’ll need their names and phone numbers to complete this action. Add their contact info to your phone or write it down so you’re ready to make these quick calls.</li><li>● <b>NOTE: This issue is URGENT, so please call don’t write on this one.</b></li><li>● <b>Know the Issue:</b> Read the background information above.</li></ul>
Action Script	<p style="text-align: center;"> <b>Call Your Senators</b> </p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Please personalize all the words in <b>blue</b> below,</li><li>2) Then call your 2 US Senators using your revised script.</li></ol> <hr/> <p>“Hi, my name is <a href="#">[NAME]</a> and I’m a constituent from <a href="#">[TOWN]</a></p> <p>I’m calling to ask <a href="#">[Senator Name]</a> to OPPOSE any version of the reconciliation bill that includes language that would <b>change what is required for judges to enforce restraining or injunction orders.</b></p> <p><i>If someone breaks the law, our courts must have the power to enforce the fair and just consequences. Don’t let Trump sneak in any extra requirements for judges or courts into his “Big Beautiful Bill Against Poor People.”</i></p>

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	<p><i>Thank you for your time and consideration.</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>IF LEAVING VOICEMAIL: <a href="#">Please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied</a></i></p>
Bonus Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● SHARE THIS far and wide!</li></ul>