

## GREENVILLE BRANCH NAACP #5522 ACTION ALERT END THE FILIBUSTER!

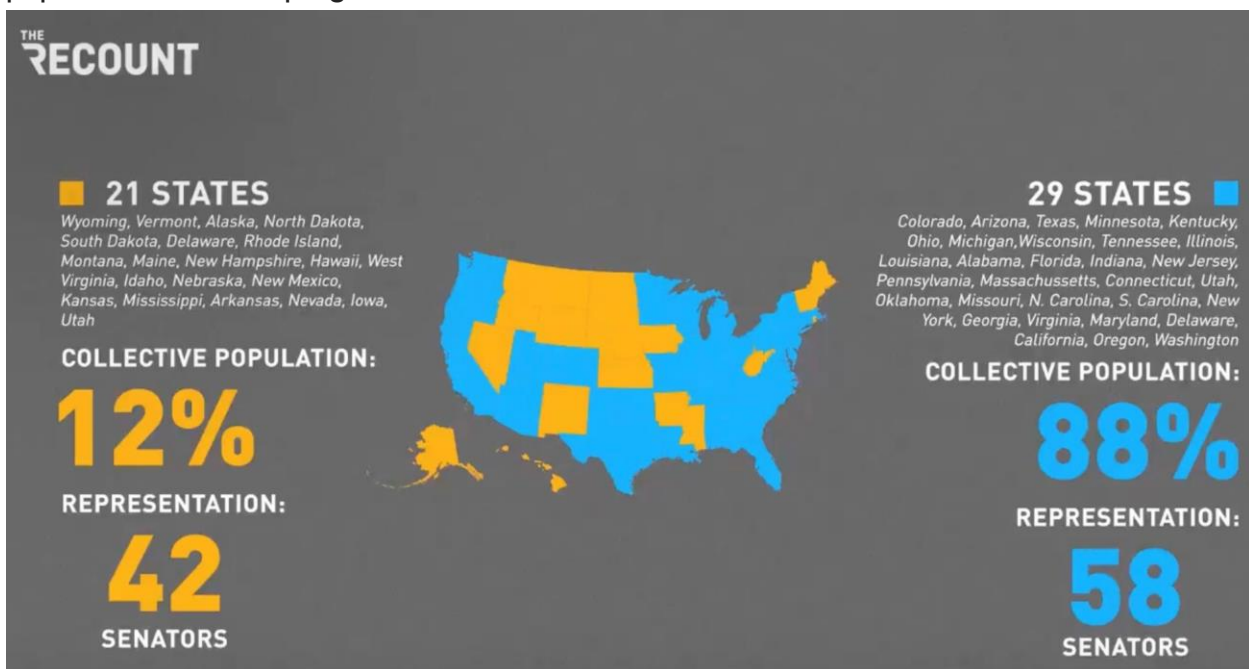
### *What's the filibuster?*

The filibuster is a US Senate rule that often requires the approval of 60 out of the 100 total US Senators to take action, like passing legislation or approving Presidential appointments.

### *What's the problem?*

A minority of the US Senate -- as few as 41 of the 100 Senators -- can block Senate action much of the time.

And with 12% of the population (who are older, whiter and more rural than the US population as a whole) electing 42 Senators, this means that a small and unrepresentative part of the population can block progress that most of us want and need.



(Source: [TheRecount.com](http://TheRecount.com))

Historically, the filibuster has often been used by white segregationists to block or delay civil rights legislation. Former President Barack Obama calls the filibuster a "Jim Crow relic", and the [NAACP has supported filibuster reform](#) for many years.

Currently, the filibuster threatens to block progress of the action we need, like voting rights legislation, COVID relief and much more.

It is time to take this Jim Crow relic out of the Senate and leave it in the history books where it belongs.

### *What you can do?*

**Contact your US Senators and ask them to end the filibuster!**

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