

## Representative Jed Davis Suggests the Balance of Power is an Injustice to Illinois Voters

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**Springfield, IL** - During the recent campaign cycle, Representative Davis knocked on thousands of doors, and one theme was abundantly clear. The majority of voters want neither far-left nor far-right policies, they want both sides working together. Unfortunately, this desire couldn't possibly be further from our current reality.

The House of Representatives has 78 Democrats and 40 Republicans, a 1.95 supermajority. The Senate is even worse with 40 Democrats and 19 Republicans, a 2.11 supermajority. Democrats have a blank checkbook for the laws and policies of Illinois, leaving them completely unchecked.

There are two significant problems here. **1)** Lopsided power disconnects leaders from pressing issues. **2)** Lopsided power also generates unhealthy factions within a singular party.

**Disconnects leaders from pressing issues:** From knocking on doors, Representative Davis learned people are concerned about educational values, rising costs, and rising taxes. He also frequently heard the words healthcare and safety. However, none of these issues were tackled over the past three months, at least absent far left or far right approaches. Representatives instead spent energy debating bears, female prostate exams, male pap smears, pronouns, and stoves. They've essentially made a mockery of governing the people. You see, the people lose when a singular party has a 2 to 1 supermajority. Illinois is losing. Losing businesses, losing families, and politicians are disconnected from these realities because there's no incentive for listening.

"I tire from democrat leaders standing on the house floor, saying Republicans step aside, you're not needed, we're passing our agendas." Representative Davis continues, "This blatant chest pounding exemplifies our lopsided government, telling me Mr. and Mrs. Smith from Main Street Illinois are simply being ignored."

**Generate unhealthy factions:** You practically create parties within a party when numbers swell to supermajorities. Instead of wrestling with true kitchen table economics, Democrats are wrestling with spending \$0.8 to \$1.5 billion on free healthcare for immigrants. This issue alone portrays competing values arising through unhealthy factions. It wouldn't exist without unbalanced power.

Representative Davis closes, “Listen, I don’t have all the answers, and politicians saying otherwise are simply lying. Together though, there’s hope! Sharp minds exist in the General Assembly, on both sides of the aisle. So, what could we truly accomplish if we set aside trivial issues? What business incentives, cost savings, and family partnerships could we develop? We’ll sadly never know. Democrats demand unity on the floor or likely face primaries. Republicans are in such a minority, our voice is practically irrelevant. And combined - the people continually lose. You deserve better and I’ll work tirelessly for change while praying someone across the aisle is willing to do the same.”

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