

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

REAPPORTIONMENT/HOUSE. Provides for the districts for the election of members to the House of Representatives.

DIGEST

Present constitution (Const. Art. III, §6(A)) requires the legislature, by the end of the year following the year in which the state's population is reported to the president of the U.S. for each decennial federal census, to reapportion the representation in each house as equally as practicable on the basis of population shown by the census.

Present law divides the state into 105 districts for election of members of the House of Representatives. For purposes of qualifying and election in 2011, the districts became effective on April 14, 2011. For all other purposes the districts become effective at 10:00 a.m., Jan. 9, 2012.

Proposed law provides district boundaries for House Districts as provided in present law. For purposes of qualifying and election in 2011, proposed districts become effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action and become effective for all other purposes at 10:00 a.m., Jan. 9, 2012.

Proposed law specifies that precincts referenced in district descriptions are those precincts identified as Voting Districts (VTDs) in the 2010 Census Redistricting TIGER/Line Shapefiles for the state of La. Also specifies that if any such precinct has been subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a nongeographic basis or subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a geographic basis in accordance with present law, the enumeration of the general precinct designation shall include all nongeographic and all geographic subdivisions thereof. Further provides that the territorial limits of the districts as enacted shall continue in effect without change regardless of any changes made to the precincts by the parish governing authority.

Population data in the summaries accompanying this digest are derived from 2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171), Summary File for Louisiana. Population data, statistical information, and maps are supplied for purposes of information and analysis and comprise no part of proposed law.

Effective in part upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action; effective in part at 10:00 a.m., Jan. 9, 2012. See Act.

(Amends R.S. 24:35.2)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill.

1. Makes technical changes

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to the engrossed bill.

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