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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF OBSOLETE LAWS RELATING TO

102 **REDISTRICTING OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Statutory Revision Committee. The bill repeals a law relating to Colorado's congressional districts that has been rendered obsolete by the redistricting premised on the 2010 federal census. In addition, certain portions of the law being repealed were held unconstitutional by the state supreme court in *People Ex Rel. Salazar v. Davidson*, 79 P.3d 1221 (Colo. 2003) cert. denied, 541 U.S. 1093, 124 S. Ct. 2228, 159 L. Ed. 2d

260 (2004). The repeal of this law results in the removal of over 9,000 words of text from the Colorado Revised Statutes.

The bill also makes a conforming amendment.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:* 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal 2-1-101. 3 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-1-102, amend (1) 4 introductory portion as follows: 5 2-1-102. Neutral criteria for judicial determinations of 6 congressional districts. (1) In determining whether one or more of the 7 congressional districts established in section 2-1-101 ACCORDANCE WITH 8 SECTION 44 OF ARTICLE V OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION are lawful and in 9 adopting or enforcing any change to any such district, courts: 10 SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 11 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 12 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 13 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a 14 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 15 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 16 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 17 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 18 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 19 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.