

## House Resolution 18

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide that the  
2 General Assembly may provide by general law for the redistricting of the state congressional  
3 and state House and Senate districts by an independent commission; to provide for related  
4 matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for  
5 other purposes.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article III, Section II of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph II as follows:

9 "Paragraph II. *Apportionment of General Assembly.* The General Assembly shall  
10 apportion the Senate and House districts. Such districts shall be composed of contiguous  
11 territory. The apportionment of the Senate and of the House of Representatives shall be  
12 changed by the General Assembly as necessary after each United States decennial census.  
13 The General Assembly may provide by general law for the redistricting of the state  
14 congressional and state House and Senate districts by an independent commission."

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**SECTION 2.**

16 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as  
17 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the  
18 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

19 "( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the  
20 ( ) NO General Assembly may provide by general law for the redistricting of the  
21 state congressional and state House and Senate districts by an independent  
22 commission?"

23 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

24 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If  
25 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall  
26 become a part of the Constitution of this state.