



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 14

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Synopsis: Redistricting commission. Repeals the constitutional provision for drawing legislative districts by the general assembly. Requires the general assembly to establish an independent redistricting commission to draw congressional and legislative districts. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 4, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections.



Introduced

Second Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2022)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning elections.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
3 Twenty-Second General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is
4 referred to the next General Assembly for reconsideration and
5 agreement.
- 6 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 4, SECTION 5 OF THE CONSTITUTION
7 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS
8 FOLLOWS: Section 5. **(a)** The General Assembly elected during the
9 year in which a federal decennial census is taken shall fix by law the
10 number of Senators and Representatives. ~~and apportion them among~~
11 ~~districts according to the number of inhabitants in each district, as~~
12 ~~revealed by that federal decennial census. The territory in each district~~
13 ~~shall be contiguous.~~



1 **(b) Not later than July 1, 2027, the General Assembly shall**
2 **establish by law an independent redistricting commission to draw**
3 **the congressional and legislative districts for the state. The**
4 **redistricting commission shall be politically balanced and**
5 **representative of Indiana voters. The redistricting commission**
6 **shall conduct the redistricting process in an open and transparent**
7 **manner and shall not favor any individual or political party.**

