EMERGENCY REQUEST of Senate Majority Leader

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13– Senator Cannizzaro

Joint Sponsor: Assemblyman Frierson

FILE NUMBER.....

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Creating an interim committee to conduct an investigation into matters relating to reapportionment and redistricting in the State of Nevada.

WHEREAS, The Nevada Legislature is required to reapportion and redistrict the election districts for the members of the Legislature, the members of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Nevada and the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce will deliver redistricting data from the decennial census in 2020 to the states during the second half of 2021; and

WHEREAS, The amount of data from the decennial census in 2020 and the necessity to accomplish reapportionment and redistricting in an expeditious manner after the receipt of the data will require additional computer software and extensive preparation and testing to allow for the generation and analysis of proposals concerning reapportionment and redistricting; and

WHEREAS, The reapportionment and redistricting must comply with current case law and constitutional and statutory legal requirements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That there is hereby created an interim committee to conduct an investigation into matters relating to reapportionment and redistricting in this State in conjunction with the data from the decennial census of 2020, which must be composed of at least three members of the Assembly who are appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, not more than two of whom may be members of the same political party, and at least three members of the Senate who are appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, not more than two of whom may be members of the same political party; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the interim committee shall elect a chair and vice chair and may meet during the 81st Session of the Legislature for the purpose of electing a chair and vice chair; and be it further



RESOLVED, That the investigation conducted by the interim committee must include:

1. A continuing examination and monitoring of any redistricting systems established or recommended for use by the Nevada Legislature, including the requirements for computer equipment, computer software and the training of personnel;

2. A review of the case law concerning planning for reapportionment and redistricting in other states;

3. A review of the programs of other states relating to planning for reapportionment and redistricting;

4. An examination of the data from the decennial census of 2020 and a consideration of potential issues involving such data that may arise during the process of reapportionment and redistricting;

5. A consideration of possible procedures recommended for use by the Nevada Legislature in the process of reapportionment and redistricting to ensure that members of the public are involved in the process to the greatest possible extent; and

6. An examination into any other matter relating to reapportionment and redistricting in the State of Nevada that the interim committee determines may yield information that would be beneficial to the Nevada Legislature in the process of reapportionment and redistricting; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the interim committee report to the appropriate regular or special session of the Nevada Legislature the results of its deliberations and any actions taken in preparation for and any recommendations concerning reapportionment and redistricting; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

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