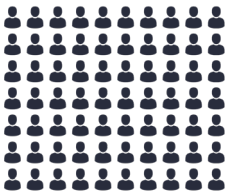


STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

70

HOUSE SEATS



35

SENATE SEATS



WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS?

POLITICAL APPOINTEE COMMISSION

- Six members: House and Senate majority and minority leaders each select one; state chairs of two major parties each select one. Appointing authorities should consider geographic representation
- Commissioners must be registered Idaho voters
- Commissioners can't have been lobbyists within one year prior to appointment
- Commissioners can't have been elected officials or political party officers within two years prior to appointment

HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?

Process

- Political appointee commission draws the lines
- Maps must be approved by two-thirds of the commission
- State Supreme Court will review the plan if any city, county, or registered voter petitions

State-Level Criteria

Ranked: No

- Contiguity
- Follow county and precinct boundaries when practicable
- Preserve neighborhoods and communities of interest when possible
- Avoid oddly shaped districts when possible
- Counties cannot be divided to protect an incumbent or party
- Counties or portions of counties that make up a district must be connected by state or federal highways

Public Hearings

- Commission meetings are open to the public and must be held in different areas of the state

Timing

- Draft plan must be filed within 90 days after the commission is appointed, or when the census data is available, whichever is later
- Districts are effective until a new plan is filed following the next federal census or a court order



CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

2

SEATS



through 2020.
Projected after
reapportionment:
No change

Process

- Same as for state legislative districts

State-Level Criteria

- Same as for state legislative districts

Timing

- Same as for state legislative districts

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