# **MASSACHUSETTS**

## STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

160 HOUSE SEATS



40 SENATE SEATS

## WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS?

STATE LEGISLATURE

#### **HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?**

**Process** 

- State Legislature draws the lines
- State Supreme Court will review the plan if a registered voter petitions

State-Level Criteria

Ranked: No

• Contiguity for House and Senate

• Follow political boundaries for House and Senate

Single-member districts for Senate

Public Hearings • No redistricting specific provisions

**Timing** 

- Plan must be adopted during the first session after the federal census for the House and Senate
- Plan is effective for 10 years

#### **CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS**

9 SEATS

through 2020.
Projected after
reapportionment:
No change

**Process** 

State Legislature draws the lines

• Governor can veto the plan

 State Supreme Court has jurisdiction to hear lawsuits concerning congressional districts

State-Level Criteria

None

**Timing** 

No deadline

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