TEXAS

STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

150 HOUSE SEATS



31 SENATE SEATS

WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS?

STATE LEGISLATURE or BACKUP COMMISSION

Composed of lieutenant governor, attorney general, comptroller of public accounts, commissioner of the general land office, House majority leader

HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?

Process

- State legislature has initial responsibility to draw the lines
- Governor can veto plan
- If the Legislature fails to adopt a plan by the end of the regular legislative session, Backup Commission draws the lines, to be executed by a majority of the board and submitted to the secretary of state

State-Level Criteria Ranked: No

- Contiguity for Senate and House
- House districts must follow county boundaries when possible

Public Hearings

Timing

- No redistricting-specific provisions
- State Legislature must adopt a plan by the end of the first legislative session following the census
- If the Legislature fails to submit a plan by the end of the first legislative session, the commission must assemble within 90 days of adjournment then has 60 days after assembling to submit a final plan



CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS



through 2020. Projected after reapportionment: 39 to 40

WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS?

STATE LEGISLATURE

HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?

Process

- State Legislature draws the lines
- Governor can veto the plan

State-Level Criteria None

Timing

No deadline

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