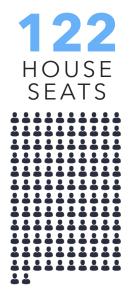
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STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS



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WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS? STATE LEGISLATURE or BACKUP COMMISSION

• Five members: chief justice, attorney general, secretary of state, House and Senate majority leaders

HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?

Process

- State Legislature convenes a joint committee composed of:» Chairman and vice chairman of the House Apportionment and Elections Committee
- » Chairman and vice chairman of the Senate Elections Committee
- » Ten members of the House of Representatives, two from each congressional district, appointed by the speaker of the House
- » Ten members of the Senate, two from each congressional district, appointed by the lieutenant governor
- Committee draws a plan to apportion the state
- Committee presents a plan to the state Legislature, which can adopt its own plan
- If no plan is adopted by the end of the state legislative session, or during a 30-day special apportionment session to be convened within 30 days following the end of the regular session, a backup commission draws the lines, not subject to veto by the governor
- Permits mid-decade redistricting
- State-Level Criteria Ranked: No
- Compactness
- Contiguity
 - Follow political boundaries

Public Hearing

• No redistricting specific provisions



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Timing

- Joint legislative committee submits plan to the Legislature no later than 15 days before the scheduled adjournment of the regular session of the Legislature following delivery of the federal decennial census data
- Legislative committee submits recommendations to the Legislature no later than 45th day of the legislative session
- Final plan adopted by the end of the regular session in years ending in 2

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS



through 2020. Projected after reapportionment: No change

Process	•	Same as for state legislative districts
State-Level Criteria	•	None
Timing	•	Legislative committee submits recommendation to the Legislature no later than 30 days before the next regular session of the Legislature after the results of the federal decennial census are published

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