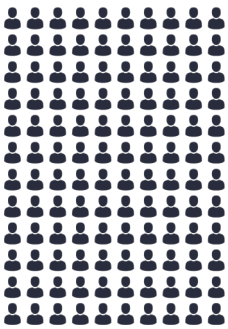


# NORTH CAROLINA

## STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

**120**  
HOUSE  
SEATS



**50**  
SENATE  
SEATS



### WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS?

STATE LEGISLATURE

### HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?

#### Process

- State Legislature draws the lines
- Governor cannot veto the plan
- In the event a redistricting plan or portion thereof is found unlawful, the state Legislature must be given at least two weeks to remedy any defects before the court may impose any interim plan

#### State-Level Criteria

Ranked: No

- Contiguity for Senate
- As equal in population "as nearly may be" for Senate and House
- Follow county boundaries for Senate and House "except to the extent necessary to comply with federal law"

#### Public Hearings

- No redistricting-specific provisions

#### Timing

- Plans must be drawn during the first legislative session following the census and shall not be amended until the next census

## CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

**13**  
SEATS



through 2020.  
Projected after  
reapportionment: 14

#### Process

- State Legislature draws the lines
- Governor cannot veto the plan
- If neither the Legislature nor Congress reapportion congressional districts after a change in the number of representatives apportioned to the state, then:
  - » If increased, then all districts remain and additional seat is elected at large by all qualified voters in the state
  - » If decreased, then all districts are dissolved and all seats are elected at large by all qualified voters in the state

#### State-Level Criteria

- None

#### Timing

- No deadline

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