WHO DRAWS THE DISTRICTS?

**ADVISORY COMMISSION or STATE LEGISLATURE**

- Seven members: the governor and four legislative majority and minority leaders each select one, and the legislative leadership of each political party jointly selecting one more

HOW ARE DISTRICTS DRAWN?

**Process**
- Advisory commission draws the lines
- Plan(s) is submitted to the state legislature with 70 percent approval
- State legislature may not make changes to the commission proposal(s)
- If legislature rejects the commission plan(s), it may enact its own with an accompanying report
- Governor can veto the plan

**State-Level Criteria**
- Minimize division of political boundaries
- Compactness
- Contiguity
- Preserve communities of interest
- Follow natural and geographic boundaries
- Nest districts where possible

**Public Hearings**
- At least seven public hearings

**Timing**
- Commission must adopt a final plan(s) not later than 30 days after the last public hearing
- Commission must submit plan(s) to the legislature no later than ten days before the legislature votes

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

**Process**
- Same as for state legislative districts

**State-Level Criteria**
- Same as for state legislative districts

**Timing**
- Same as for state legislative districts