

Summary of Legislation

This bill repeals HB10-1408, which changed statutory direction to the courts that must be used when determining the lawfulness of congressional districts or when adopting or enforcing changes to congressional districts. Specifically, this bill puts back the prioritization list of criteria that may be used and restricts the use of "non-neutral" factors such as political party registration and electoral outcomes when evaluating congressional districts. The bill takes effect August 10, 2011, assuming the General Assembly adjourns May 11, 2011, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

Assessment

The bill is assessed at no fiscal impact. Changing statutory direction to the court will not affect costs in the Judicial Branch, the General Assembly, or any state agency that is involved in the redistricting process.

Departments Contacted

Judicial

Legislative Council

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