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SYNOPSIS: Sections 199 and 200 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, require the Legislature to redistrict and reapportion the Alabama Senate and the House of Representatives following the release of each federal decennial census.

This bill would divide the state into districts for the purpose of electing members of the Alabama House of Representatives until the next federal census is released.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To provide for the reapportionment and redistricting of the state into districts for the purpose of electing the members of the Alabama House of Representatives until the release of the next federal census; and to repeal and reenact Section 29-1-1.2, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to the House districts.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

2 Section 1. Section 29-1-1.2, Code of Alabama 1975,
3 relating to the existing House districts, is repealed.

4 Section 2. Section 29-1-1.2 is added to the Code of
5 Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

6 §29-1-1.2.

7 (a) The Alabama House of Representatives shall
8 consist of 105 members. Each member elected shall reside in
9 the district which he or she represents or seeks to represent.
10 The State of Alabama is divided into 105 House Districts as
11 provided in subsection (b).

12 (b) The numbers and boundaries of the districts are
13 designated and established by the map prepared by the
14 Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment and
15 identified and labeled as Pringle House Plan 1, including the
16 corresponding boundary description provided by the census
17 tracts, blocks, and counties, and are incorporated by
18 reference as part of this section.

19 (c) The Legislature shall post for viewing on its
20 public website the map referenced in subsection (b), including
21 the corresponding boundary description provided by the census
22 tracts, blocks, and counties, and any alternative map,
23 including the corresponding boundary description provided by
24 the census tracts, blocks, and counties, introduced by any
25 member of the Legislature during the legislative session in
26 which this section is added or amended.

1 (d) Upon enactment of the act adding this section
2 and adopting the map identified in subsection (b), the Clerk
3 of the House of Representatives shall transmit the map and the
4 corresponding boundary description provided by the census
5 tracts, blocks, and counties identified in subsection (b) for
6 certification and posting on the public website of the
7 Secretary of State.

8 (e) The boundary descriptions provided by the
9 certified map referenced in subsection (b) shall prevail over
10 the boundary descriptions provided by the census tracts,
11 blocks, and counties generated for the map.

12 Section 3. The provisions of this act are severable.
13 If any part of this act is declared invalid or
14 unconstitutional, that declaration shall not affect the part
15 which remains.

16 Section 4. This act shall become effective
17 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or
18 upon its otherwise becoming a law.