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4 SYNOPSIS:

5 Under existing law, the Permanent Legislative
6 Committee on Reapportionment consists of members of the
7 Senate and members of the House of Representatives of
8 the Alabama Legislature appointed by the Lieutenant
9 Governor and the Speaker of the House of
10 Representatives, respectively.

11 This bill would provide for the President Pro
12 Tempore of the Senate to appoint the Senate members to
13 the committee.

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16 A BILL

17 TO BE ENTITLED
18 AN ACT

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20 Relating to the Permanent Legislative Committee on
21 Reapportionment; to amend Section 29-2-51, Code of Alabama
22 1975, to revise the appointment of Senate members to the
23 committee.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. Section 29-2-51, Code of Alabama 1975, is
26 amended to read as follows:

27 "§29-2-51

28 (a) There is hereby created a permanent legislative



29 committee to be known as the Permanent Legislative Committee
30 on Reapportionment, hereinafter referred to as the
31 "committee."

32 (b) (1) Except during the quadrennium in which the
33 United States census is released and the Legislature is
34 actually involved with the reapportionment process, the
35 committee shall be composed of six members appointed during
36 the organizational session of each quadrennium to serve each
37 quadrennium as follows: Three members of the Senate to be
38 appointed by the ~~Lieutenant Governor~~ President Pro Tempore of
39 the Senate and three members of the House to be appointed by
40 the Speaker of the House.

41 (2) The committee members shall select from among its
42 numbers a Senator and a member of the House of Representatives
43 to serve as co-chairpersons for the quadrennium to preside
44 over meetings of the committee. Whenever the Legislature is
45 not in regular or special session, each member of the
46 committee shall be entitled to his or her usual legislative
47 pay, travel expenses, and per diem for each day ~~he~~ the member
48 spends in attending any such meeting or conducting business of
49 the committee within or without the state.

50 (c) In those quadrenniums in which the United States
51 official decennial census is released and while the
52 Legislature is actually involved in the reapportionment
53 process, the committee shall be composed of 22 members as
54 follows: One member of the House of Representatives from each
55 congressional district, four members of the House of
56 Representatives at-large to be appointed by the Speaker of the

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57 House and one member of the Senate from each congressional
58 district, four members of the Senate at-large, to be appointed
59 by the ~~Lieutenant Governor~~ the President Pro Tempore of the
60 Senate. Upon the completion of the reapportionment process,
61 the committee composition shall revert to the six member
62 committee provided in subsection (b) ~~hereof~~."

63 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
64 1, 2026.