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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



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

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

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

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



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

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