HOUSE BILL NO. HB0075

Redistricting of the legislature.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1   AN ACT relating to state legislative districts; providing

2   definitions; providing a plan for state legislative

3   districts based upon the 2000 census; providing for

4   eligibility of a candidate for the state legislature;

5   providing a repealer; and providing for an effective date.

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7   *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9   **Section 1.**   W.S. 28-2-116 through 28-2-119 are

10 repealed and recreated as W.S. 28-2-116 through 28-2-119 to

11 read:

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13   CHAPTER 2

14   LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS OF MEMBERS

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1   **28-2-116. Legislative   districts   generally;**

2   **definitions.**

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4   (a)   As used in W.S. 28-2-116 through 28-2-119:

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6   (i)   "Census block" means a geographic area of

7   the state of Wyoming specified by the United States bureau

8   of the census in accordance with the 2000 decennial census

9   and identified uniquely by census block number;

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11   (ii) "Voter tabulation district" or "VTD" means

12 a geographic area of the state of Wyoming specified by the

13 United States bureau of the census in accordance with the

14 2000 decennial census and identified by Wyoming VTD name

15 and number;

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17   (iii) "This act" means W.S. 28-2-116 through

18 28-2-119.

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20   (b)   As used in W.S. 28-2-118 and 28-2-119 unless the

21 context otherwise requires:

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23   (i)   "District   (number)"   designates   the

24 legislative district number assigned to a house or senate

1 legislative district from which a legislator is elected

2 under this act;

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4   (ii) "(Name of) County" designates either that

5 the entire named Wyoming county is within the legislative

6 district or that a portion of the named Wyoming county as

7 specified is within the legislative district;

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9   (iii) "VTD" designates either that the entire

10 voter tabulation district as named by the United States

11 bureau of the census for the 2000 decennial census within

12 the named county is a part of the legislative district or

13 that a portion of the named voter tabulation district

14 within the named county as specified is a part of the

15 legislative district;

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17   (iv) "Blocks" designates the entire census block

18 as numbered by the United States bureau of the census for

19 the 2000 decennial census within the named VTD and county

20 is a part of the legislative district.

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22   (c) W.S. 28-2-118 creates legislative districts for

23 the Wyoming senate and W.S. 28-2-119 creates legislative

24 districts for the Wyoming house of representatives.

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2   (d)   The secretary of state shall maintain the United

3   States Public Law 94-171 data for the 2000 decennial census

4   that office received from the United States bureau of the

5   census and make it available for public inspection in a

6   hardcopy or electronic format during regular business

7   hours.

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9   **28-2-117. Effective   date   of   changes   in   senate**

10 **districts.**

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12 Changes in all senate districts are effective for the 2002

13 general election and the fifty-seventh legislature.

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15   **28-2-118. Senate   legislative   districts;   lists   of**

16 **census blocks for split voter tabulation districts in the**

17 **senate.**

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19   (a) Subsection   (b)   of   this   section   creates

20 legislative districts for the Wyoming senate consisting of

21 the numbered legislative districts contained therein. The

22 number of senators to be elected from each legislative

23 district shall be as specified in subsection (b) of this

24 section.   The area within a county, voter tabulation

1   district or census block as provided in paragraphs (i)

2   through (iii) of this subsection is determined using the

3   United States bureau of census topologically integrated

4   geographic encoding and referencing data base (TIGER®).

5   Each numbered legislative district in subsection (b) of

6   this section consists of the combined geographic area

7   within the:

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9   (i) Entire specified county, if the county alone

10 is listed with no geographic subdivision listed below it;

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12   (ii) Voter tabulation district, if any are

13 listed below the particular county; and

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15   (iii) Census block, if any are listed below the

16 particular voter tabulation district. A census block listed

17 below a voter tabulation district indicates a split voter

18 tabulation district.

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20   (b) (See Attachment A)

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22   **28-2-119. House legislative districts; lists of**

23 **census blocks for split voter tabulation districts in the**

24 **house of representatives.**

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2　　　(a) Subsection (b) of this section creates

3　legislative districts for the Wyoming house of

4　representatives consisting of the numbered legislative

5　districts contained therein. The number of representatives

6　to be elected from each legislative district shall be as

7　specified in subsection (b) of this section. The area

8　within a county, voter tabulation district or census block

9　as provided in paragraphs (i) through (iii) of this

10　subsection is determined using the United States bureau of

11　census topologically integrated geographic encoding and

12　referencing data base (TIGER®). Each numbered legislative

13　district in subsection (b) of this section consists of the

14　combined geographic area within the:

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16　　　　　(i) Entire specified county, if the county alone

17　is listed with no geographic subdivision listed below it;

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19　　　　　(ii) Voter tabulation district, if any are

20　listed below the particular county; and

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22　　　　　(iii) Census block, if any are listed below the

23　particular voter tabulation district. A census block listed

1 below a voter tabulation district indicates a split voter

2 tabulation district.

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4   (b) (See Attachment B)

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6   **Section 2.** W.S. 22-5-102 is amended to read:

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8   **22-5-102. Eligibility to be a candidate for state**

9 **legislature; residency.**

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11   (a) For the purpose of meeting residency requirements

12 of the Wyoming constitution, a person shall not be a

13 candidate for the state legislature from a legislative

14 district unless he has been a resident of that legislative

15 district for at least one (1) year next preceding his

16 election. In any general election year in which a plan of

17 legislative ~~reapportionment~~ districts is required but has

18 not been enacted into law at least one (1) year prior to

19 the applicable filing periods, a person may be a candidate

20 for the state legislature from a legislative district if

21 he:

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1   (i) Is a resident of the legislative district on

2   the date he files an application under W.S. 22-5-204 or a

3   petition under W.S. 22-5-301; and

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5   (ii) Has been a resident of a county for at

6   least one (1) year next preceding his election in which any

7   portion of that legislative district is located.

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9   **Section 3.** W.S. 28-2-115 is repealed.

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11   **Section 4.**

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13   In Attachment B (as introduced or substituted by any
14   previously adopted amendment) Renumber
15   house districts as follows:
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17   As designed in bill: Renumber as:
18   1A...................................... 1
19   1B...................................... 2
20   2A...................................... 6
21   2B...................................... 3
22   3A...................................... 5
23   3B...................................... 4
24   4A...................................... 7
25   4B......................................41
26   5A......................................42
27   5B...................................... 8
28   6A......................................10
29   6B...................................... 9
30   7A......................................43
31   7B......................................11
32   8A......................................12
33   8B......................................44
34   9A......................................13
35   9B......................................45

1   **Section 5.** This act is effective immediately upon

2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming

4 Constitution.

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6   (END)