

Public Hearing on Redistricting Lehigh Acres (August 31, 2011)

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Hearing Report

Date: August 31, 2011

City: Lehigh Acres

Location: Veterans Park Gymnasium

Time: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Number of Speakers: 69

Total Attendance: 191

The public hearing in Lehigh Acres took place in the Veterans Park Gymnasium (55 Homestead Rd. South, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936). Prior to the meeting, a map with directions to the hearing and parking instructions was posted on the internet. Legislative staff posted signs outside the building and the room to provide directions to the hearing, and was on hand to answer questions and display district building software outside the meeting room.

The hearing was advertised in The St. Petersburg Times, Tampa Tribune, Sarasota Herald-Tribune, Bradenton Herald, Naples Daily News, and Ft. Myers News-Press on Sunday, August 28. Each chamber's website published the public notice, and social media websites invited the public to the hearing as well. Senate staff sent invitations to more than 45 school board officials, over 70 county commissioners, administrators, and personnel under local supervisors of elections. Over 270 city-level elected officials in Southwest Florida and more than 220 public interest group leaders received invitations encouraging leaders and the groups they represent to attend the hearing.

The hearing was streamed live on The Florida Channel's website, recorded, and subsequently re-aired. There were 7 senators and 21 representatives present at the hearing chaired by Senator Gaetz. Of the 191 people who filled out attendance cards 69 indicated they wanted to speak at the hearing.

After hearing testimony and gathering input from the public, legislators at the meeting were given an opportunity to comment.

Submission from Patricia Crowe



Please Provide Completed Form To:

Legislative Staff at the Meeting.

or

Email to: mydistrictbuilder@myfloridahouse.gov
and redistrictflorida@flsenate.gov,

or

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Florida Redistricting Suggestion Form

By submitting this form, I acknowledge that my comments and suggestions may be displayed on www.floridaredistricting.org and www.flsenate.gov/redistricting or other public websites maintained by the Florida Legislature. Note: the entirety of this form is public record.

*Field is required.

Prefix _____ *First Name PATRICIA *Last Name CROWE Suffix _____

Organization Name (If applicable) _____

*Your Address 2504 ELVA PL *City LEHIGH ACRES *State FL *Zip 33971

Your County LEE Your Email pw@world.std.com

*What type of map are you commenting on? Congressional State House State Senate

*Would you like to receive email updates regarding Florida Redistricting? Yes No

Please provide detailed comments regarding your redistricting suggestion or request.

FL needs contiguous + compact districts that
reflect the community.

Re-districting needs to be designed by NON-PARTISAN
groups, NOT incumbents.

FL voters spoke on this very clearly by passing
the amendment in the last election.

The legislature should follow the law + allow
dispassionate people to draw the new maps.
The legislature should stay out of the design process.

(Over)

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Submission from Donald Eslick

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From: Don Eslick [doneslick@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2011 1:58 PM
To: MyDistrictBuilder
Cc: Carl Schwing; Ben Nelson; Steve McIntosh
Subject: Boita Springs House and Senate District Recommendation

Dear Committee Member:

The Estero Council of Community Leaders would like to add to the record our support for the State House and Senate Districts submitted to the Committee by Jeff Maas for the City of Bonita Springs. The Estero community is included entirely within each of these Lee County districts. Thanks for your consideration.

Donald F. Eslick
Chairman

Submission from Clara Anne Graham



The League of Women Voters of Lee County

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**State of Florida Redistricting Public Hearing
Veterans Park Recreation Center
Lehigh Acres
August 31, 2011**

Good Evening, My name is Clara Anne Graham, President of the League of Women Voters of Lee County, a Former State Board Treasurer for 8 years, currently, a member of the League of Women Voters of the United States 11 member Climate Change Task Force and a practicing accountant.

As you are aware the League of Women Voters was instrumental in the passage of the Constitutional Redistricting Amendments 5 and 6. This effort was the culmination of a 30 year commitment to bring fairness into the redistricting process and the fifth campaign with many roadblocks along the way. The voters, all voters, whom you are to represent, have spoken.

We are concerned with what we perceive as the lack of and concern for prudent and fiscal responsibility by utilizing taxpayer dollars for a lawsuit to try to circumvent the voters' voice. In previous public hearings the committee has stated that the entire redistricting process will be 100% transparent. Will you please tell us the amount of taxpayer dollars that have been spent in a full, written disclosure in detail including the total lawsuit monies?

Also, Representative Weatherford, will you, as chair of this committee, recommend to Speaker Cannon that the House drop its participation in the lawsuit fighting Amendments 5 and 6?

My League button is purple. An equal blending of Republicans, red and Democrats, blue. We urge you to comply with Amendments 5 and 6.

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0 I am Cheryl Byrd, a two-year resident of Cape Coral. Previously, I was a 19-year resident of Dare County, North Carolina - where I served as a County Commissioner for eight years. While living there, I actively participated in public input processes for County redistricting in 1992 and State redistricting in 2002.

1 I urge you to seek help from groups in other states - such as North Carolina and Virginia - which went through the same experience after the 2000 Census and now have legislative and congressional districts, which are regarded as fair by most residents of those states.

2 An essential characteristic of a good district is that the residents who live in it know who represents them and have some reasonable ability to meet with their representatives.

a Districts which split up cities, small counties, and even unincorporated areas that are active, identifiable communities, discourage citizen participation in their state and federal government. They also create confusion when voters see campaign signs or literature for a person they like - only to discover that the person's name is nowhere to be found on their ballot on election day.

b Finally, they also create unnecessary work for County Election Boards - which are charged with keeping track of who resides in every district you create. Errors are almost guaranteed when you split up local voting jurisdictions.

3 Draw districts - which at first - ignore the question of adequate representation of our minority populations. Then look and see if our minorities don't have a better chance of electing someone who more closely identifies with them than the current voting district plans.

Redistricting Comments - 31August2011

a Zoo-shaped districts which give a district to minority populations outright while preserving many more districts for non-minority incumbents, are no favor to anyone. That's why the voters so overwhelmingly voted for the Fair District amendments to the Florida constitution.

b Other states have found that if enough districts provide a reasonable chance for a person from a minority group to be elected, their plans have passed through the Federal Review process successfully. The districts do not have to be more than 50% minority.

4 The computer software available today enables you to create districts of virtually equal size - but this is not a legal requirement. Please use the tools you have wisely and always remember that good representative government flourishes only with a healthy dose of citizen participation. And Districts - which make sense are a key ingredient.

5 No matter what you do, legal challenges will probably occur. This is a part of the process and not the end of the world. However, lawsuits will be less likely and/or less serious if you develop plans that have the support of most Floridians.

6 In summary, I urge you to create new Voting District plans for the FL legislature and Congress - as free from political influences as possible - a tall order, I know. The existing plans should not be guidelines for future plans. Voters will elect the best of our current legislators - no matter where they live.

Redistricting Hearing

Aug. 31, 2011
Lehigh Acres, Florida

Curtis L Hamilton
Cape Coral

Good evening Chairmen and Committee Members. My name is Curtis Hamilton .I live in Cape Coral. I am pleased to speak as a AARP volunteer and as President of the Cape Coral AARP Chapter. AARP is a strictly non-partisan organization that seeks to improve the quality of life for all of us we age. It has over 39 million members nationally and almost 3 million in Florida.

Transparency and timeliness are key elements of the redistricting process and must be followed. The voters of Florida have clearly spoken about re – districting by decisively passing Amendments 5 & 6, and I compliment you for the Statewide Hearings which have gone forward with full disclosure and public input. The public needs not only the opportunity to comment but to have those comments be meaningfully considered, not cast aside

as part of a political game. We expect our Legislature to act with integrity and honor for the citizens of Florida and not to end with a gerrymandered mess that is left to the Courts to decide. The timeliness of the process is crucial.

The procedural steps, both legislative and non-legislative, must be achieved in order for there to be timely qualification of 2012 candidates with new districts and for campaigns prior to voters casting their ballots. You need to complete this project sooner rather than later. We ask you to post your proposed maps as soon as possible so they can be review by all.

In conclusion I want to say thank you for the really excellent web site. I hope that you keep your focus on government of the people, by the people, and for the people, which makes fair districts not a choice but a necessity. Make Florida proud not ashamed.

Thank you.

Dr. Curtis L Hamilton
Cape Coral

Submission from Tonda Soisson Lawson

Tonda Soisson Lawson - my thoughts

1. The need for a single representative who is focused on the needs of Lehigh Acres is peril to the needs of Lehigh Acres is peril to the political, social, civic & economic development of the future of this fabulous community.
2. Our current population stands at nearly 87,000 w/ anticipated growth to over 100,000 within a few years. With the standard of 157,000 being the benchmark for a single seat it is clear that Lehigh Acres should be the cornerstone for a single district.
3. With this in mind we would like for you to draw the districts with all of Lehigh Acres being encompassed and represented by one single advocating representative.
4. As it stands now, with Lehigh Acres split we become a divided community in a time when unification could not be more important to the economic and emotional well being of our citizens and continued community growth.
5. Thank you for your efforts on our behalf. Please always keep in mind that we are not just maps but people who must work together to move forward through the toughest of times. Keep Lehigh Acres as one heart, one people.

Submission from Gary A. Lee

8/27/11

LEE COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Gary A. Lee, Chairman

Ray Rodrigues, Vice Chairman

Terry Miller, Secretary

Rosalie Lesser, Treasurer

Brenda Skupny, State Committeewoman

Charles Dauray, State Committeeman

Whereas: Our Country was founded upon the principle of representative government, and

Whereas: America's young men and women have given their lives to protect our right to representative government for over 200 years, and

Whereas: Representative government entails the ability to choose our elected representatives, rather than having our elected representatives being chosen for us through partisan and incumbent based redistricting and reapportionment plans, and

Whereas: For the last twenty years hundreds of thousands of citizens in Lee, Collier, and Charlotte Counties have been effectively disenfranchised by having their votes traded away to further the political ambitions of legislative incumbents from the East Coast and Tampa Bay, and

Whereas: The citizens of Southwest Florida have suffered the consequences of partisan and incumbent based gerrymandering for twenty long years, and

Whereas: As of 2009 Lee County had a population of 586,908; Collier County had a population of 318,537, and Hendry County had a population of 39,594, representing a total three county combined population of 945,039, which is twenty thousand more than needed for two complete State Senate seats entirely contained within the confines of these three compact counties without a need for diluting our voices with those from the East Coast of Florida.

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Lee County Republican Executive Committee calls upon the Florida Legislature to set aside both partisan and incumbent protection considerations and adopt a redistricting and reapportionment plan that protects the integrity of counties, cities and other *Common* community of interests and provides true representation for resident citizens in Southwest Florida.

Further, be it resolved that if the Legislature once again places incumbent protection or partisan considerations before the considerations of compactness

and of combining communities of interests to keep local communities represented by local representatives, the Lee County Republican Executive Committee will call upon the courts to reject the self-serving incumbent drawn plans and draw fair and honest plans protecting the rights of the local citizens, consistent with the requirements of the State Constitution and the United States Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Submission from Ben Nelson



August 24, 2011

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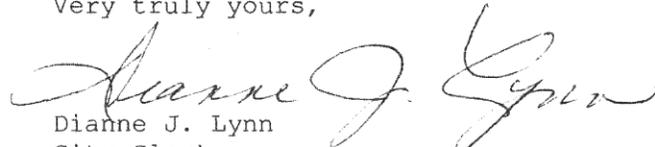
Re: City of Bonita Springs
Resolution No. 11-056

Dear Governor Scott:

Enclosed please find a copy of City of Bonita Springs Resolution No. 11-056, urging the Florida Legislature to no longer divide the City of Bonita Springs in different State Senate Districts. Attached to the Resolution are City Council's suggested map revisions for the State Senate and State House Maps. The Resolution was adopted by the City of Bonita Springs City Council on August 17, 2011.

If you need anything further, or if I can be of assistance, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours,


Dianne J. Lynn
City Clerk

DJL:daf
Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Dean Cannon, Speaker of the House
Senator Lizbeth Benacquisto
Senator Garrett Richter
Representative Trudi K. Williams
✓ Senate Committee on Reapportionment
House Committee on Redistricting
Scott Dudley, Senior Legislative Advocate

CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 11-056

A RESOLUTION OF BONITA SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE IN ITS LEGISLATIVE REAPPORTIONMENT AND REDISTRICTING TO DRAW THE DISTRICT LINES FOR STATE SENATE AND STATE HOUSE MAPS IN SUCH A MANNER TO KEEP THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS IN ONE DISTRICT; TO NO LONGER DIVIDE THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS IN DIFFERENT STATE SENATE DISTRICTS; SUBMISSION OF CITY PROPOSALS FOR REDISTRICTING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bonita Springs incorporated in 1999 as a Florida municipal corporation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bonita Springs is located in the Southwest portion of Florida in Lee County, between Naples and Collier County and the City of Fort Myers; and

WHEREAS, following the 2000 decennial census, the state senate maps in 2002 were reapportioned in such a manner so as to divide the City of Bonita Springs into two state senate districts; and

WHEREAS, currently, Senate District 37 meanders through the coastal communities of Southwest Florida, including the coastal portion of Bonita Springs voters, while State Senate District 27 currently covers a larger portion of Bonita Springs but goes through eastern Lee County on the west coast through Lake Okeechobee, to ultimately also represent voters in Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, in the last ten (10) years the City of Bonita Springs has experienced a significant population increase and growth, which has been faster than the State average and Bonita Springs City Council desires district boundaries for the Senate and House of Representatives that will address all of the Bonita Springs resident's needs to have a voice and a vote with State representation; and

WHEREAS, a purpose of reapportionment or state redistricting is to provide a structure for voters with similar needs or "communities of interest" to elect a candidate of their choice; and

WHEREAS, it is a cornerstone of representative democracy to have the ability of an elected representative to handle a defined geographic area rather than to be fragmented among other communities and thus defeating a voice for a defined community; and

WHEREAS, given the recent change to the Florida constitution, the City of Bonita Springs is respectfully submitting the maps attached to this Resolution and is respectfully requesting the Florida Legislature to redistrict and reapportion its maps following a process to retain the City of Bonita Springs in one district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Council of the City of Bonita Springs, Lee County, Florida:

1. The above recitals are certified to be true and incorporated herein.
2. Bonita Springs City Council hereby adopts this Resolution to ask the House Committee on Redistricting and the Senate Committee on Reapportionment to not create any District that divides the City of Bonita Springs when it determines the district lines for the State Senate and State House maps.
3. The maps that City of Bonita Springs supports are attached to this Resolution as Composite Exhibit A.
4. Any additional technical data for the Maps will be provided to the House Committee on Redistricting and the Senate Committee on Reapportionment.
5. The City Clerk shall transmit a copy of this Resolution with maps to:

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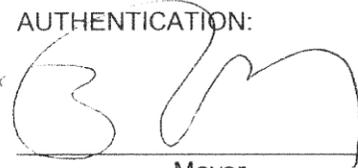
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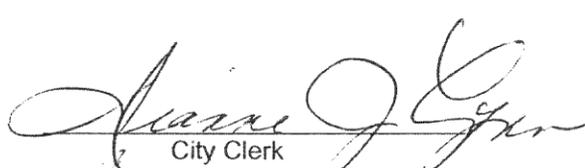
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY PASSED AND ENACTED by the City Council of City of Bonita Springs, Lee County, Florida, this 17th day of August , 2011.

AUTHENTICATION:



Mayor



City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

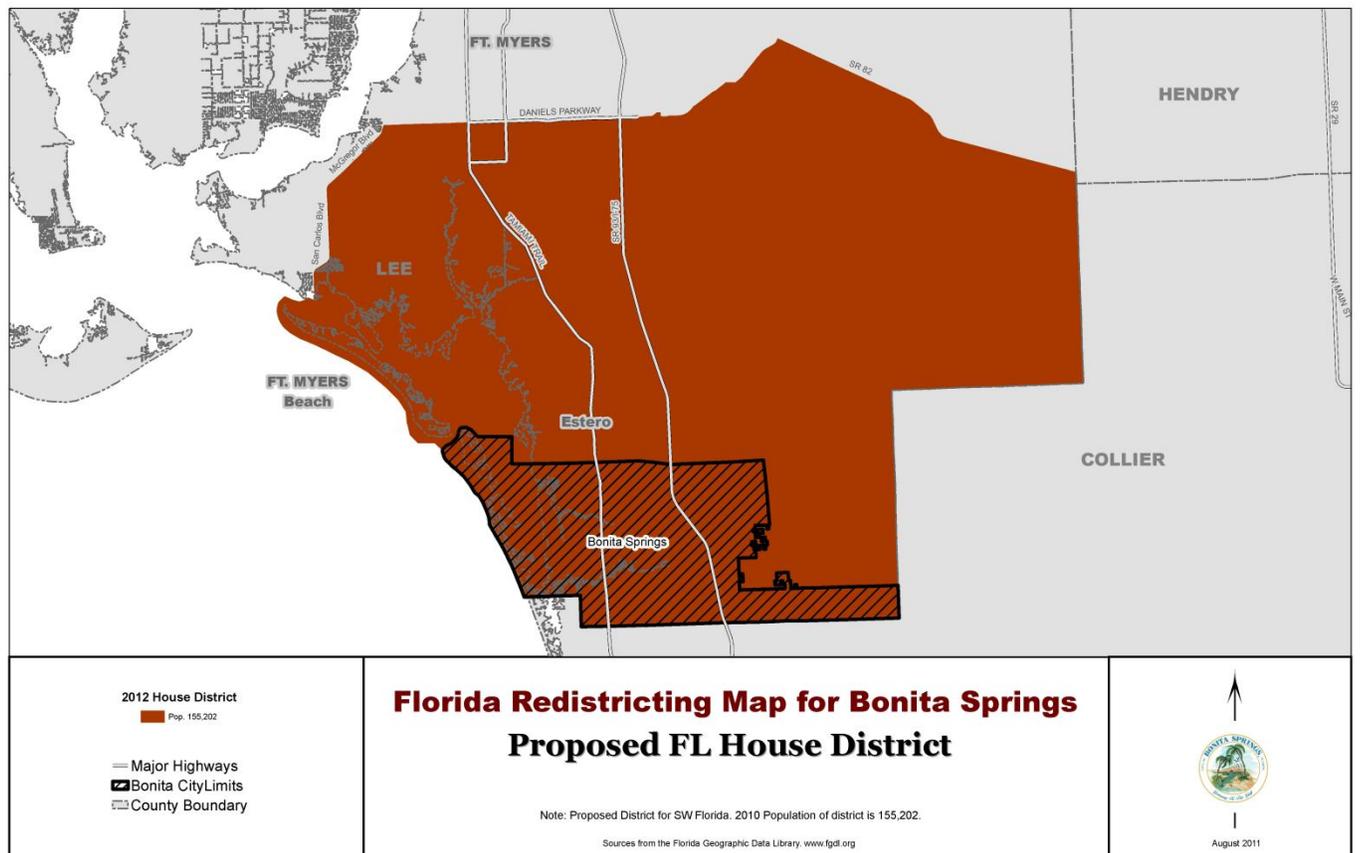
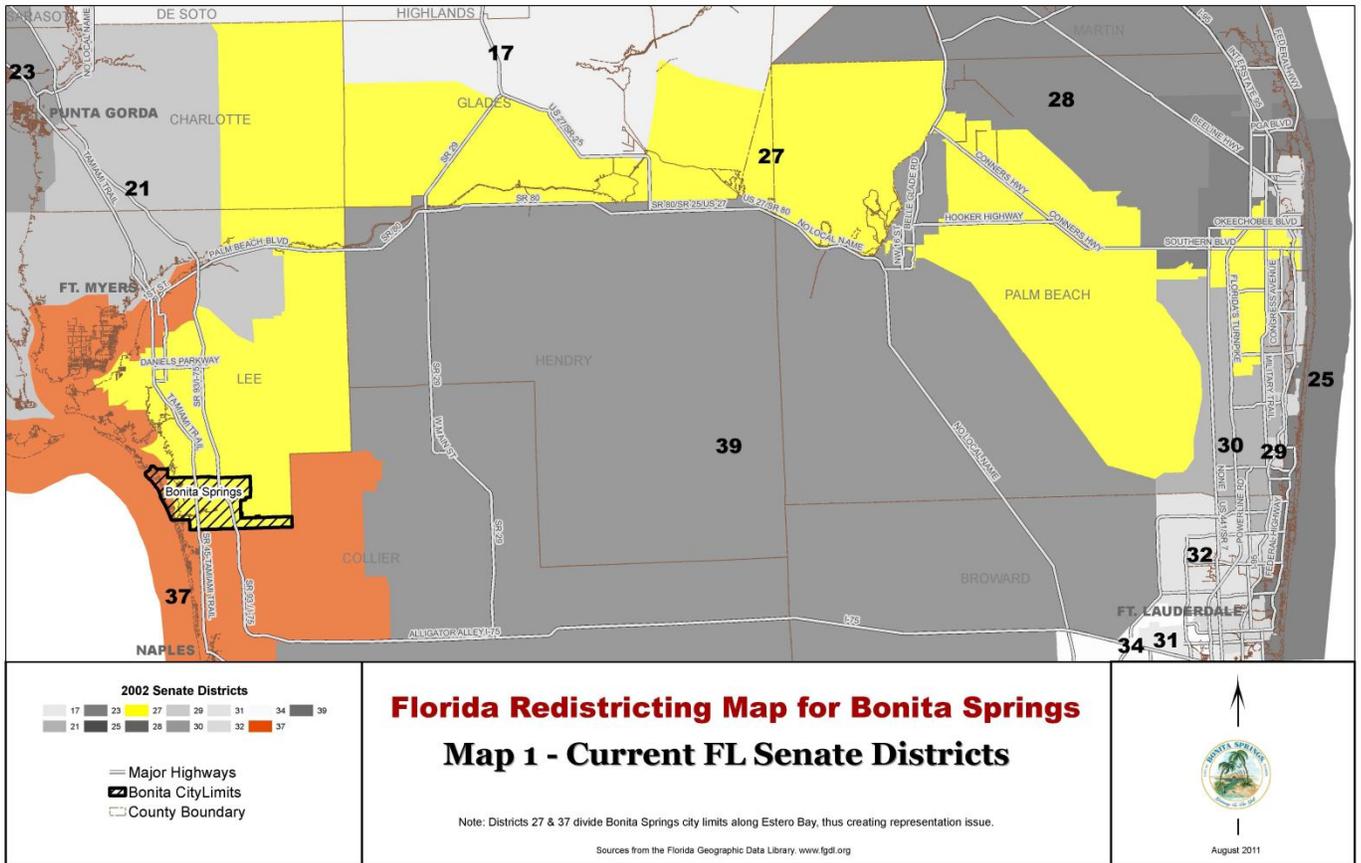


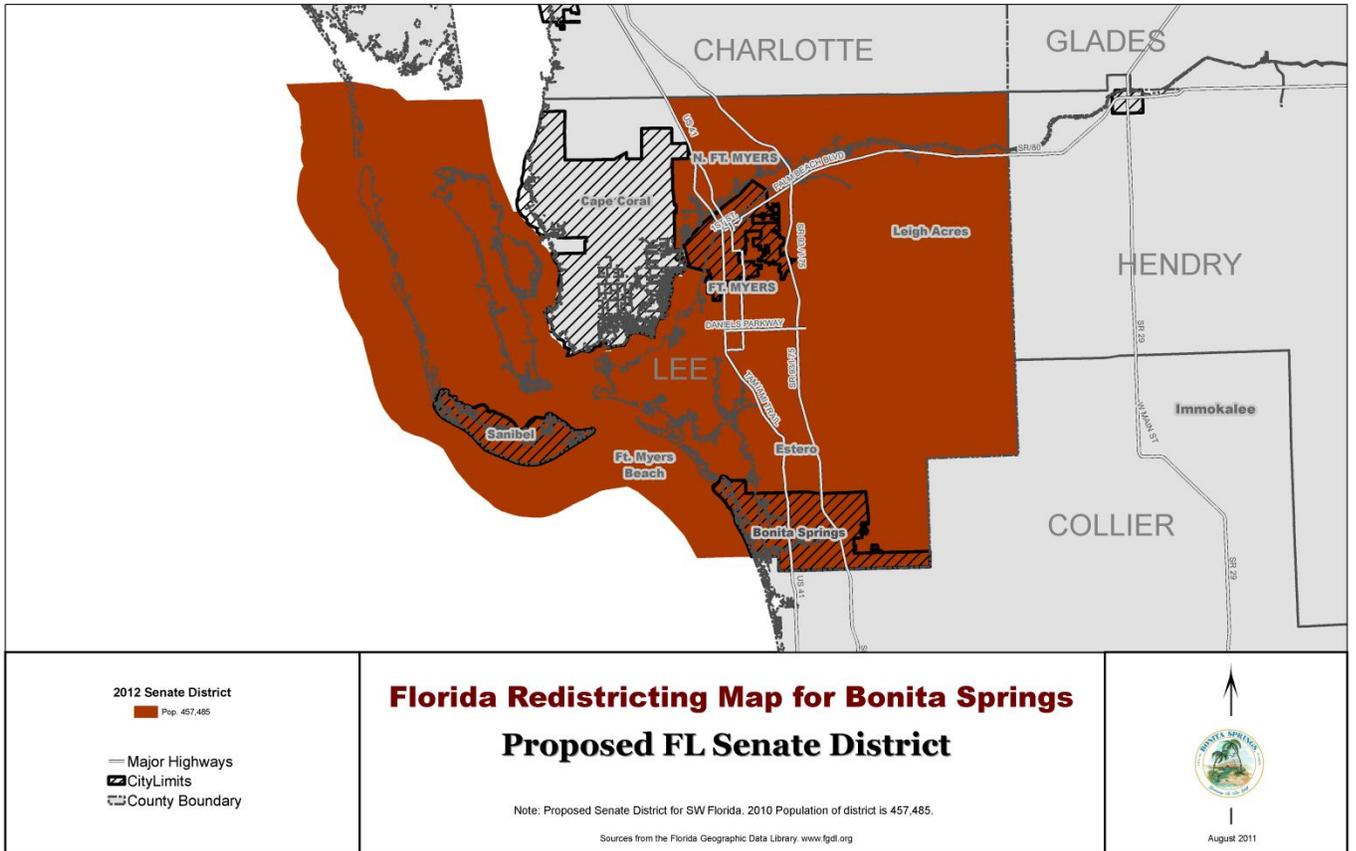
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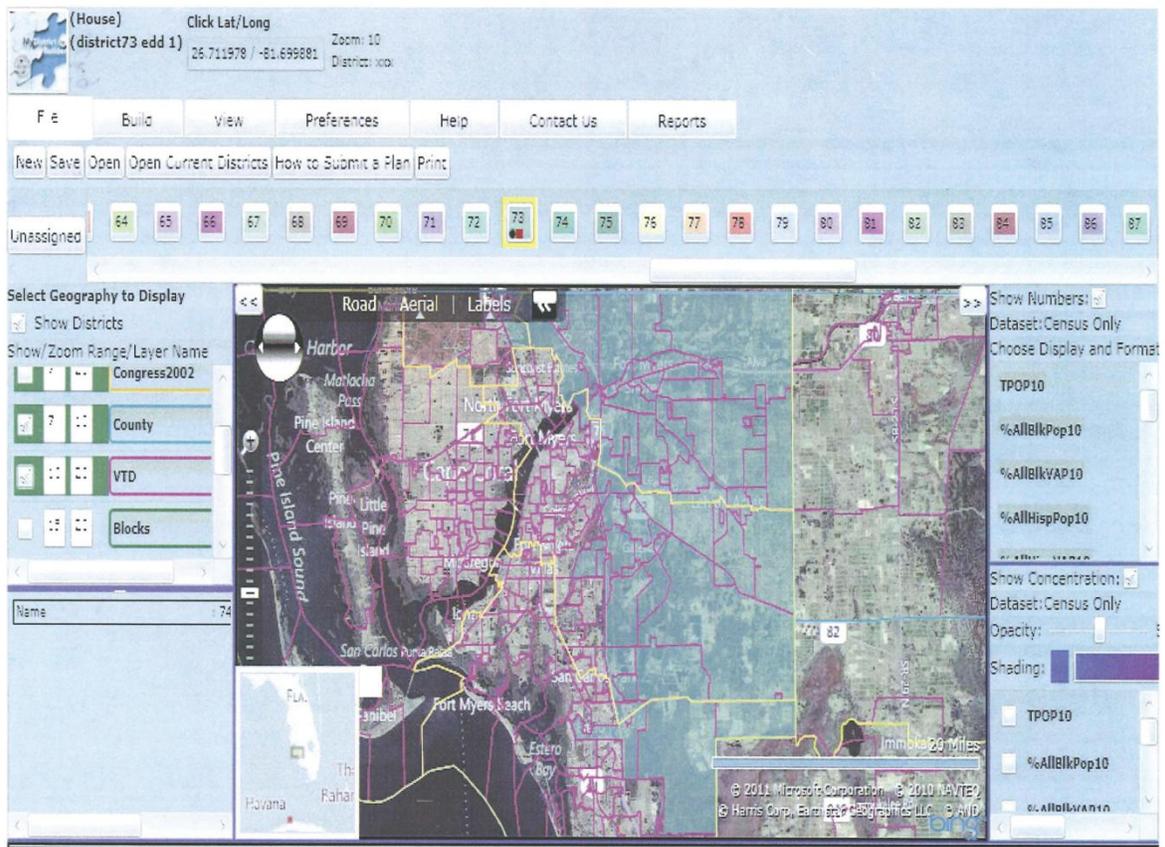
Nelson	Aye	Spear	Aye
McIntosh	Aye	Simons	Aye
Martin	Aye	Lonkart	Aye
Slachta	Aye		

Date Filed With City Clerk: 8-18-11





Submission from Edward T. Weiner



<http://floridareistricting.cloudapp.net/MyDistrictBuilder.aspx>

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REDISTRICTING · 2012

ABOUT REDISTRICTING

After each decennial Census, the Legislature redraws the districts from which voters elect their public officials. In general, districts are redrawn to accommodate population changes and ensure that district populations are as nearly equal in number as practicable.

There will be opportunities for citizen participation during public hearings, interim committee meetings, and the 2012 Session.

REDISTRICTING LAW

The United States Constitution, the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, and the Florida Constitution each regulate redistricting. Under the United States Constitution, district populations must be as nearly equal as practicable. In addition, race may not be the predominant factor in drawing lines, unless the use of race is narrowly tailored to achieve a compelling interest.

The Voting Rights Act requires the creation of a district that performs for racial minorities where (1) a minority population is geographically compact and sufficiently numerous to be a majority in a single district; (2) the minority population is politically cohesive; (3) the majority votes sufficiently as a bloc to enable it usually to defeat the minority-preferred candidate; and (4) under all of the circumstances, the minority population has less opportunity than others to participate in the political process and elect representatives of its choice.

The Voting Rights Act applies additional requirements to districts that include any part of Collier, Hardee, Hendry, Hillsborough, or Monroe County. In these districts, the Voting Rights Act prohibits purposeful discrimination and protects against retrogression—or backsliding—in the ability of racial minorities to elect representatives of their choice. To ensure compliance with these requirements, the redistricting plan must be submitted to and precleared by a federal court or the United States Department of Justice before it may be enforced.

The Florida Constitution requires that districts be contiguous. A district is contiguous if all of its territory is in actual contact, uninterrupted by the territory of another district. Contact at a corner or right angle is insufficient, but territory may cross bodies of water. The Constitution allows state legislative districts to overlap, either partially or entirely.

THE NUMBERS

In 2012, the Legislature will redraw the state's congressional districts as well as districts for Florida House and Florida Senate seats. The number of congressional districts in Florida will increase from 25 to 27. The number of Florida House seats must be between 80 and 120, while the number of Florida Senate seats must be between 30 and 40. Currently, the Florida House and Florida Senate contain 120 members and 40 members, respectively. If these numbers are maintained, the average population of a Florida House district will be 156,678, while the average population of a Florida Senate district will be 470,033. Each congressional district will contain approximately 696,345 people.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Legislature will draw lines in accordance with the standards in federal and state law and traditional redistricting principles not inconsistent with those standards. To this end, the Legislature encourages public testimony directed to the following points:

- The full implementation of the protections afforded by the Amendments to racial and language minorities, including continuance of the Legislature's long-established policy to preserve or enhance the number of performing minority districts.
- The various measures of compactness, from geometric calculations to a broad consideration of how communities relate to one another, for example through commerce, transportation, and communication—in order to promote the creation of effective representational units.



REDISTRICTING 2012

- The feasibility of using political and geographical boundaries in the formation of districts, in light of other standards such as the equality of district populations, the protection of racial and language minorities, and compactness.
- To the extent not inconsistent with the Amendments, the desire to preserve the cores of existing districts or the proper placement of communities of interest in districts, as determined by local circumstances and voter preferences.

This approach, together with public testimony, research, and facts developed throughout the redistricting process, will result in the adoption of redistricting plans that have the intent and result of full compliance with all legal mandates, including Amendments 5 and 6, and of effective and meaningful representation for all voters in the State of Florida.

Citizens from all parts of the state can visit the House website (www.floridaredistricting.org) and the Senate website (www.flsenate.gov/Redistricting), to learn about creating and submitting their own House, Senate, and congressional maps, and to participate actively in the most open, transparent, and interactive redistricting ever.

LEGAL REVIEWS

After enactment, state senatorial and representative districts are reviewed by the Florida Supreme Court.

Congressional districts are set by an act of the Legislature subject to the Governor's approval. All redistricting plans must be submitted to and precleared by a federal court or the United States Department of Justice.

REDISTRICTING MILESTONES

- JUNE 20 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2011: STATEWIDE PUBLIC HEARINGS
- SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2011: INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETINGS
- JANUARY 10 - MARCH 9, 2012: REGULAR SESSION
- FEBRUARY - JUNE 2012: LEGAL REVIEWS
- JUNE 4 - 8, 2012: QUALIFYING FOR STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICES
- AUGUST 14, 2012: PRIMARY ELECTION
- NOVEMBER 6, 2012: GENERAL ELECTION



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Draw and Submit Your Own Districts

District Builder is a full-featured web application with 2010 Census data for drawing Florida Senate, Florida House, and Congressional districts and submitting them to the Legislature. Submitting your plan is one of the best ways to show what works for your community. Citizens have full and easy access to the same web application and information that Senators and professional staff use.

To start using District Builder you need:

- A personal account. Choose “**District Builder**” at www.flsenate.gov/Redistricting to register.
- Display resolution of 1024 x 768 or higher.
- A broadband Internet computer and mouse. Firefox (3.6 and 4.0) and Internet Explorer (7 and 8) are supported (Internet Explorer 9 and Opera are not). Your browser must be set to allow JavaScript and pop-ups from “flsenate.gov.”

For full details, see <https://db10.flsenate.gov/db1/help>.

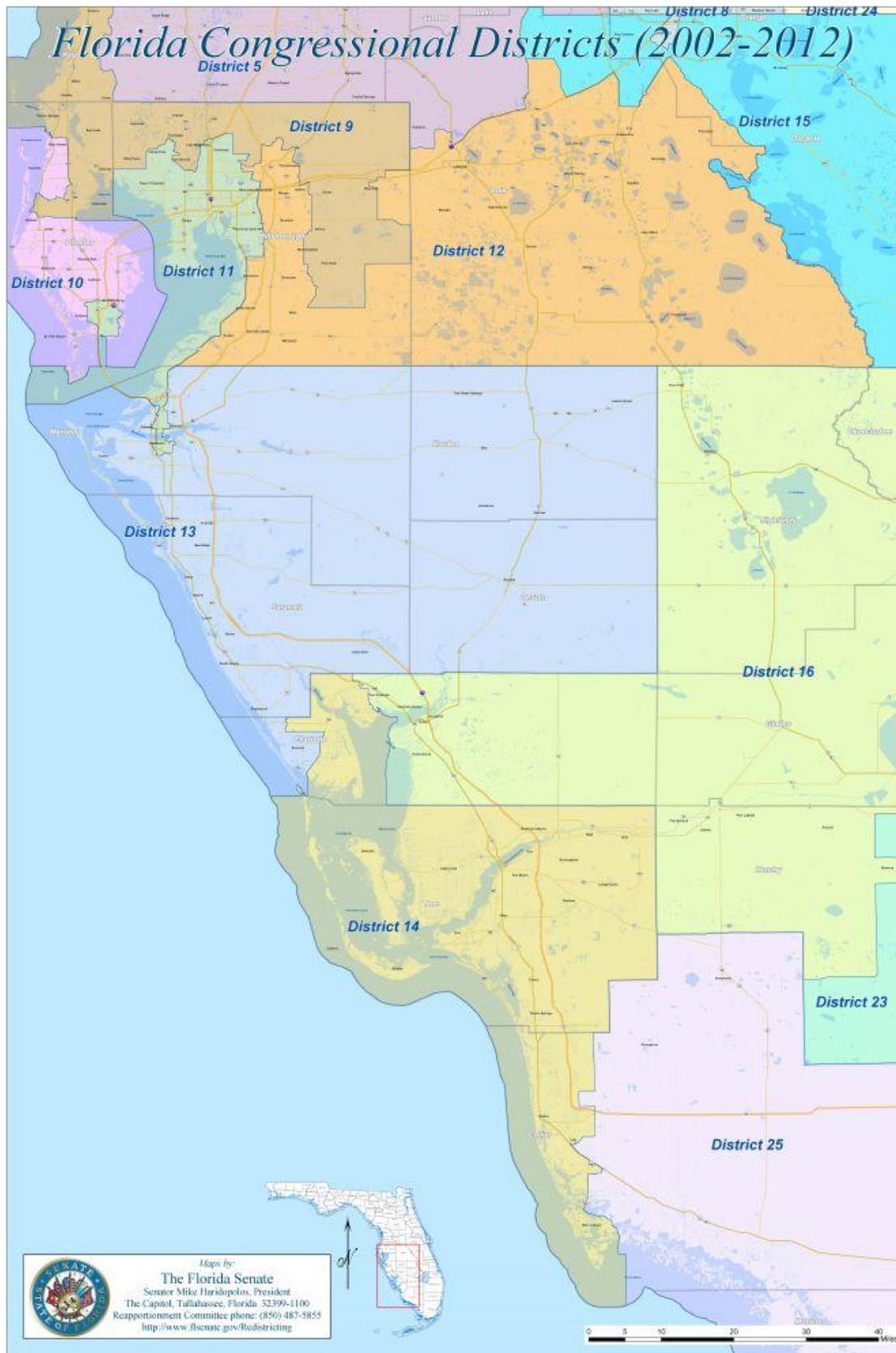
When you decide to submit your plan for public consideration, it will be published at <http://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Redistricting/Plans> with a standard set of interactive map links, reports, downloads, and maps. Otherwise, your personal plans are stored on secure servers and exempt from inspection and copying. See § 11.0431(2)(e), Fla. Stat.

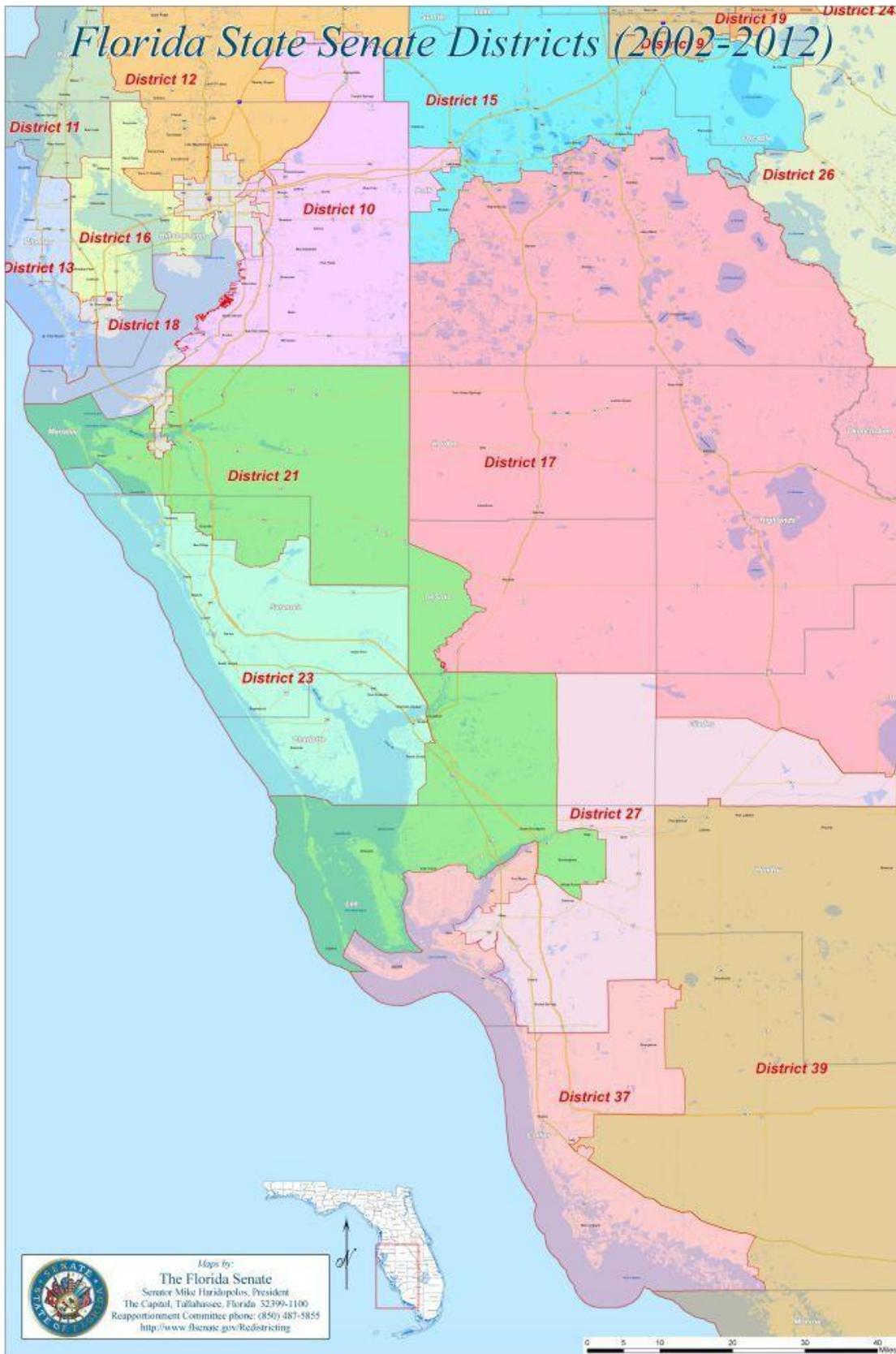
The Florida House of Representatives is building its own web application. To learn about “MyDistrictBuilder,” see www.floridaredistricting.org. The fact that the Senate and House systems are different is a plus. Each has unique features, and citizens can choose which better meets their needs.

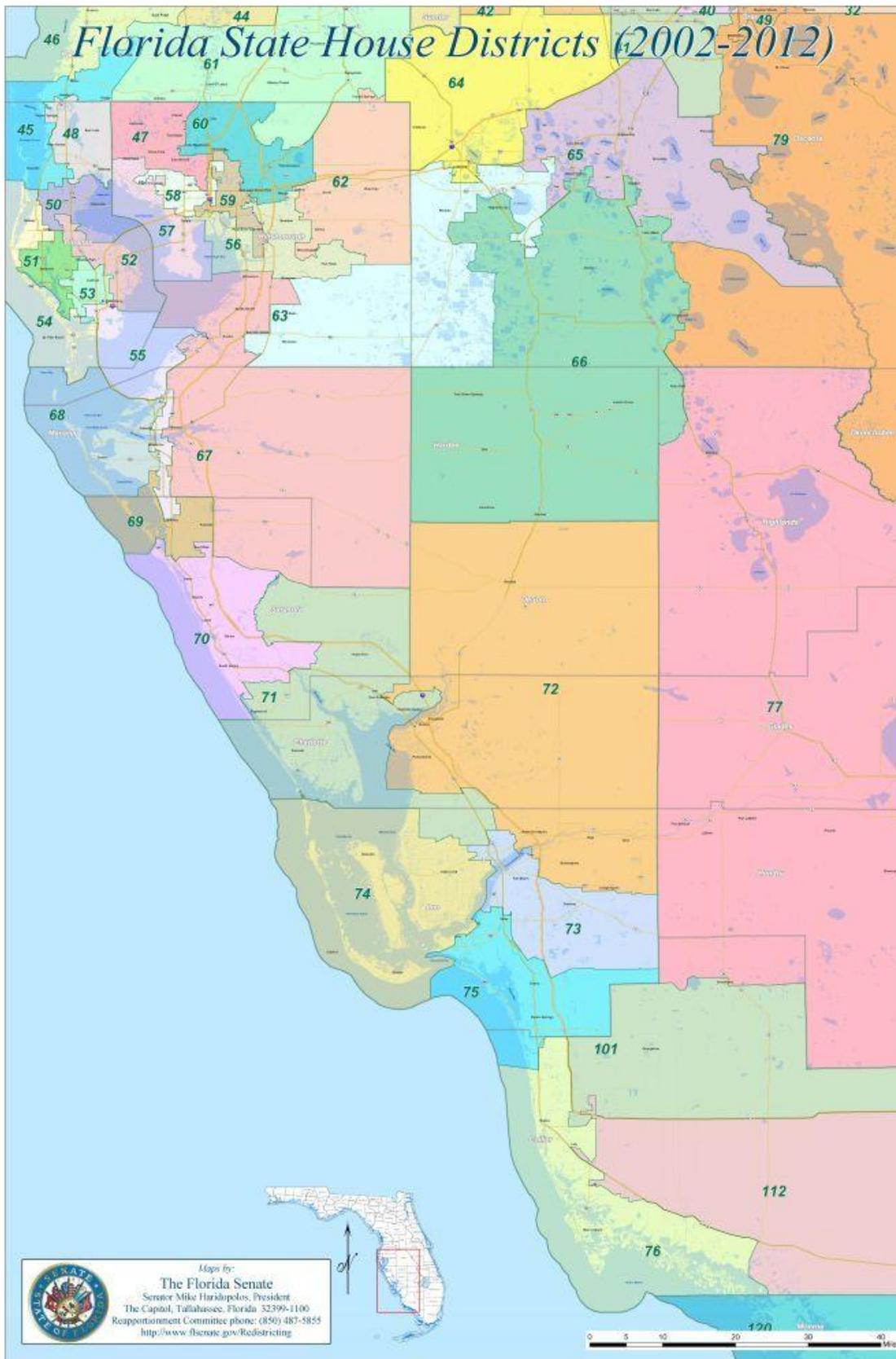
Full-featured redistricting systems typically cost thousands of dollars per user. The overarching goal shared by the Florida Senate and Florida House is giving everyone free and easy access to all the same tools and data the Legislature is using.

With innovative technologies and joint [public hearings](#), the Florida Legislature is promoting the most open, accessible, and interactive redistricting ever.

Displays Prepared by Florida Senate








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Population deviations of current districts (2010 Census)—Southwest Florida

Congressional District	2010 Pop.	2010 Ideal	2010 Deviation	
			Count	%
9 Gus M. Bilirakis	753,549	696,345	57,204	8.2%
10 C.W. Bill Young	633,889	696,345	-62,456	-9.0%
11 Kathy Castor	673,799	696,345	-22,546	-3.2%
12 Dennis Ross	842,199	696,345	145,854	20.9%
13 Vern Buchanan	757,805	696,345	61,460	8.8%
14 Connie Mack	858,956	696,345	162,611	23.4%
16 Tom Rooney	797,711	696,345	101,366	14.6%
23 Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	696,345	-12,238	-1.8%
25 David Rivera	807,176	696,345	110,831	15.9%

State House District	2010 Pop.	2010 Ideal	2010 Deviation	
			Count	%
45 Richard Corcoran	146,618	156,678	-10,060	-6.4%
47 James W. "J.W." Grant	157,056	156,678	378	0.2%
48 Peter Nehr	136,924	156,678	-19,754	-12.6%
50 Ed Hooper	131,026	156,678	-25,652	-16.4%
51 Larry Ahern	129,144	156,678	-27,534	-17.6%
52 Jeffrey "Jeff" Brandes	139,789	156,678	-16,889	-10.8%
53 Rick Kriseman	133,115	156,678	-23,563	-15.0%
54 James C. "Jim" Frishe	130,417	156,678	-26,261	-16.8%
55 Darryl Ervin Rouson	133,112	156,678	-23,566	-15.0%
56 Rachel V. Burgin	192,632	156,678	35,954	22.9%
57 Dana D. Young	148,460	156,678	-8,218	-5.2%
58 Janet Cruz	131,897	156,678	-24,781	-15.8%
59 Betty Reed	141,651	156,678	-15,027	-9.6%
60 Shawn Harrison	162,605	156,678	5,927	3.8%
61 Will W. Weatherford	242,396	156,678	85,718	54.7%
62 Richard "Rich" Glorioso	162,165	156,678	5,487	3.5%
63 Seth McKeel	156,183	156,678	-495	-0.3%
67 W. Gregory "Greg" Steube	241,034	156,678	84,356	53.8%
68 Jim Boyd	128,684	156,678	-27,994	-17.9%
69 Ray Pilon	132,224	156,678	-24,454	-15.6%
70 Doug Holder	150,125	156,678	-6,553	-4.2%
71 Kenneth L. "Ken" Roberson	183,147	156,678	26,469	16.9%
72 Paige Kreegel	167,184	156,678	10,506	6.7%
73 Matthew H. "Matt" Caldwell	189,406	156,678	32,728	20.9%
74 Gary Aubuchon	182,460	156,678	25,782	16.5%
75 Trudi K. Williams	174,874	156,678	18,196	11.6%
76 Kathleen C. Passidomo	149,992	156,678	-6,686	-4.3%
77 Denise Grimsley	147,455	156,678	-9,223	-5.9%
101 Matt Hudson	189,600	156,678	32,922	21.0%
112 Jeanette M. Nuñez	210,556	156,678	53,878	34.4%

State Senate District	2010 Pop.	2010 Ideal	2010 Deviation	
			Count	%
10 Ronda Storms	565,921	470,033	95,888	20.4%
11 Mike Fasano	433,661	470,033	-36,372	-7.7%
12 Jim Norman	531,959	470,033	61,926	13.2%
13 Dennis L. Jones, D.C.	394,766	470,033	-75,267	-16.0%
16 Jack Latvala	431,916	470,033	-38,117	-8.1%
17 JD Alexander	456,960	470,033	-13,073	-2.8%
18 Arthenia L. Joyner	404,822	470,033	-65,211	-13.9%
21 Michael S. "Mike" Bennett	529,870	470,033	59,837	12.7%
23 Nancy C. Detert	458,330	470,033	-11,703	-2.5%
27 Lizbeth Benacquisto	551,555	470,033	81,522	17.3%
37 Garrett Richter	480,189	470,033	10,156	2.2%
39 Larcenia J. Bullard	483,183	470,033	13,150	2.8%

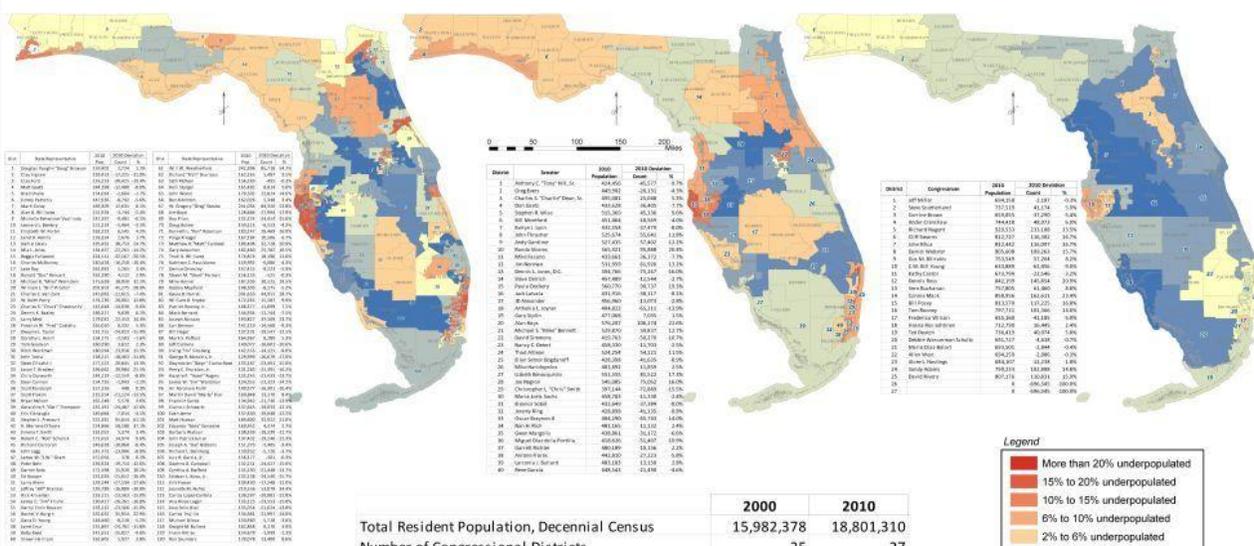
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Population Deviations of Current Florida House Districts Relative to 2010 Census Ideal district population (156,678)

Population Deviations of Current Florida Senate Districts Relative to 2010 Census Ideal district population (470,033)

Population Deviations of Current Congressional Districts Relative to 2010 Census Ideal district population (696,345)



CD	House Representative	2010 Population	% of Ideal	SD	Senate District	2010 Population	% of Ideal	CD	Congressional District	2010 Population	% of Ideal
1	Jeff Miller	146,618	93.6%	10	Ronda Storms	565,921	120.4%	9	Gus M. Bilirakis	753,549	108.2%
2	Steve Southerland	157,056	100.2%	11	Mike Fasano	433,661	92.3%	10	C.W. Bill Young	633,889	91.0%
3	Richard Hanna	136,924	87.5%	12	Jim Norman	531,959	113.2%	11	Kathy Castor	673,799	96.8%
4	Walter D. O'Rourke	131,026	83.7%	13	Dennis L. Jones, D.C.	394,766	84.0%	12	Dennis Ross	842,199	120.9%
5	Richard Hanna	129,144	82.5%	14	Jack Latvala	431,916	91.9%	13	Vern Buchanan	757,805	108.8%
6	Richard Hanna	139,789	89.3%	15	JD Alexander	456,960	97.2%	14	Connie Mack	858,956	123.4%
7	John Mica	133,115	85.0%	16	Arthenia L. Joyner	404,822	86.1%	15	Tom Rooney	797,711	114.6%
8	John Mica	130,417	83.3%	17	Michael S. "Mike" Bennett	529,870	112.7%	16	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
9	John Mica	133,112	85.0%	18	Nancy C. Detert	458,330	97.6%	17	David Rivera	807,176	115.9%
10	Jeff Miller	192,632	123.5%	19	Lizbeth Benacquisto	551,555	117.3%	18	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
11	Steve Southerland	148,460	94.8%	20	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	19	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
12	Steve Southerland	131,897	84.2%	21	Larcenia J. Bullard	483,183	102.8%	20	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
13	Richard Hanna	141,651	90.4%	22	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	21	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
14	Richard Hanna	162,605	103.8%	23	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	22	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
15	Richard Hanna	242,396	154.7%	24	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	23	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
16	Richard Hanna	162,165	103.5%	25	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	24	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
17	W. Gregory "Greg" Steube	241,034	154.0%	26	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	25	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
18	Jim Boyd	128,684	82.2%	27	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	26	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
19	Ray Pilon	132,224	84.5%	28	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	27	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
20	Doug Holder	150,125	95.8%	29	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	28	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
21	Ken Roberson	183,147	117.0%	30	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	29	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
22	Paige Kreegel	167,184	106.7%	31	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	30	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
23	Matthew H. "Matt" Caldwell	189,406	120.8%	32	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	31	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
24	Gary Aubuchon	182,460	116.4%	33	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	32	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
25	Trudi K. Williams	174,874	111.6%	34	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	33	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
26	Kathleen C. Passidomo	149,992	95.8%	35	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	34	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
27	Denise Grimsley	147,455	93.5%	36	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	35	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
28	Matt Hudson	189,600	120.9%	37	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	36	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
29	Jeanette M. Nuñez	210,556	134.6%	38	Garrett Richter	480,189	102.2%	37	Alcee L. Hastings	684,107	98.3%
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	2000	2010
Total Resident Population, Decennial Census	15,982,378	18,801,310
Number of Congressional Districts	25	27
Ideal District Population (Congressional Districts)	639,295	696,345
Maximum Number of State Senate Districts	40	40
Ideal District Population (State Senate Districts)	399,559	470,033
Maximum Number of State Representative Districts	120	120
Ideal Population (State Representative Districts)	133,186	156,678

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