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Senator Rodrigues moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 3568 and 3569

insert:

Section 7. Effective upon becoming a law, section 8.062, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

8.062 Limitation on choice of venue for actions challenging congressional districts.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, state court actions challenging the state's congressional districts shall be brought only in Leon County.

Section 8. Effective upon becoming a law, section 8.063,



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12 Florida Statutes, is created to read:

13 8.063 Limitations on actions challenging congressional
14 districts.—

15 (1) Actions challenging the state's congressional districts
16 on state constitutional or state law grounds shall be brought
17 exclusively in state court.

18 (2) A state court action challenging the state's
19 congressional districts may raise any state constitutional or
20 state law claims, and any federal constitutional or federal law
21 claims, regarding the state's congressional districts that are
22 within the jurisdiction of the circuit court.

23 (3) Nothing within this section shall be construed to
24 preclude federal courts from deciding actions challenging the
25 state's congressional districts on federal constitutional or
26 federal law grounds.

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29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 Delete line 21

31 and insert:

32 F.S., relating to severability; creating s. 8.062,
33 F.S.; requiring actions challenging the state's
34 congressional districts to be brought in a specific
35 venue; creating s. 8.063, F.S.; specifying limitations
36 for actions challenging the state's congressional
37 districts; providing for construction; amending s.
38 8.07,