

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Campbell offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 1934 and 1935, insert:

5 **Section 33.** (1) When exercising the authority granted to  
6 the Legislature by s. 16, Article III of the State Constitution  
7 to apportion the state into senatorial and representative  
8 districts, the Legislature must adopt one of the maps created by  
9 the commissions created by this section.

10 (2) There is created three independent redistricting  
11 commissions, one each for the senatorial, representative, and  
12 congressional reapportionment process.

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13        (a)1. Each redistricting commission will establish a  
14 screening panel consisting of 37 members. The President of the  
15 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the  
16 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the  
17 Minority Leader of the Senate shall each appoint nine members.  
18 The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall appoint one member.

19        2. To apply for the commissioner position, each applicant  
20 must have voted in two out of the last three presidential  
21 elections and two out of the last three gubernatorial elections.  
22 The following persons may not apply for a commissioner position  
23 or serve as commissioner:

24        a. A person currently serving, or who has served, in an  
25 office or position which is filled by vote of the electors.

26        b. A person who, within the past 14 years, has been a  
27 party officer, a registered lobbyist, paid while working as part  
28 of a campaign staff, or has worked for the Executive Office of  
29 the Governor.

30        c. A person who, within the past 18 years, has worked for  
31 the Legislature.

32        d. Any parent, spouse, child, sibling, parent-in-law,  
33 child-in-law, or sibling-in-law of, or a cohabitating member of  
34 a household, of those mentioned in sub-subparagraphs a.-c.

35        3. After review, the screening panel will select for  
36 further consideration 15 applicants from each of the following  
37 categories:

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38 a. Applicants who are registered members of the political  
39 party that received the most votes in the last statewide  
40 election.

41 b. Applicants who are registered members of the political  
42 party that received the second-most votes in the last statewide  
43 election.

44 c. Applicants who are registered as independent or minor  
45 party affiliates.

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47 The screening panel shall ensure the selected applicants are, as  
48 a whole, representative of the racial, ethnic, geographic, and  
49 gender diversity of this state.

50 (b)1. The President of the Senate, the Speaker of the  
51 House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of  
52 Representatives, and the Minority Leader of the Senate may each  
53 strike two applicants from each of the categories described in  
54 sub-subparagraphs (a)3.a.-c.

55 2. The screening panel shall then randomly draw five  
56 applicants from each of the categories described in sub-  
57 subparagraphs (a)3.a-c. to create each final independent  
58 redistricting commission.

59 (c) The initial group of commissioners shall start their  
60 terms in 2027. Each commissioner shall serve a 10-year term and  
61 may not serve consecutive terms. A person running for office may  
62 not have served on the commission that drew the district for

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63 that office during their term or within 10 years after the  
64 promulgation of those maps.

65 (d) A member of the commission shall receive compensation  
66 fixed at the legislative per diem rate during commission travel  
67 and meetings and shall be allowed all reasonable and necessary  
68 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

69 (e)1. All meetings shall take place in person and be  
70 streamed on the Florida channel.

71 2. All records and documents of the commission, including  
72 any individual or group performing delegated functions of the  
73 commission or advising the commission, related to the  
74 commission's work shall be considered public record. This  
75 includes internal communications of the commission and  
76 communications made to the commission.

77 3. Commissioners, staff of the commission, and any other  
78 advisor or consultant to the commission may only communicate  
79 with any person outside the commission about matters related to  
80 reapportionment in a public meeting or hearing. This does not  
81 include written public comments submitted to the commission,  
82 staff of the commission, or any other advisor or consultant to  
83 the commission.

84 (f) If the commission hires legal counsel the commission  
85 as an entity shall be considered the client.

86 (g) The commission shall establish and maintain a public  
87 website or other equivalent electronic platform to share

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88 information about the commission's activities. Prior to voting  
89 on any proposed plan, the commission must publish the proposed  
90 plan to the website. The website must:

91 1. Be capable of receiving comments and proposals by the  
92 citizens of this state.

93 2. Include a public submission portal, for map drawing,  
94 which shall open on the website on January 1 of a year ending in  
95 1.

96 3. Include all data used by the commission in the drawing  
97 of districts. Such data, including census data, precinct maps,  
98 election results, and shapefiles, shall be posted to the website  
99 within 3 days of receipt by the commission.

100 (3) (a) Each commission shall reapportion the state by  
101 creating three district maps. Each map shall be drawn according  
102 to ss. 20 and 21, Article III of the State Constitution.

103 (b) The commission shall adopt three final district maps.  
104 The maps must be approved by at least two-thirds of the  
105 commissioners, including at least two commissioners registered  
106 as independent or minor party affiliates.

107 (c) Before adopting a final map, the commission must hold  
108 at least two public hearings in each state appellate district  
109 and at least two public hearings in each county with a  
110 population of 1 million or more to seek public input. All  
111 meetings and hearings held by the commission shall be adequately  
112 advertised and planned to ensure the public is able to attend

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113 and participate fully. Meetings and hearings must have  
114 advertisements in, at minimum, the following languages: English,  
115 Spanish, Haitian Creole, and Portuguese.

116 (4) A map from the commission may be amended by the  
117 Legislature, but only if the amendment is approved by a three-  
118 quarters vote of each chamber. The Legislature must adopt a  
119 final map by the earlier of July 1 of a year ending in 1 or 60  
120 days after receipt of census data. The Legislature shall be  
121 barred from all other involvement. The Legislature may authorize  
122 an extension until December 15 in the event of an extraordinary  
123 circumstance. As used in this subsection, an "extraordinary  
124 circumstance" means an invasion of the state by a hostile  
125 foreign power and recognized as such by an act of Congress, a  
126 pandemic declared as such by the President of the United States,  
127 or a natural disaster declared as such by the President of the  
128 United States.

129 **Section 34.** The Legislature finds that redistricting  
130 constitutes an integral piece of election security given its  
131 role in the sanctity of the process. Mid-decade redistricting  
132 that is not required by a court poses a clear and present danger  
133 to election security by undermining public trust in elections  
134 and such attempts are illegal, unconstitutional, and violate ss.  
135 20 and 21, Article III of the State Constitution.

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**T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T**

Between lines 172 and 173, insert:  
requiring the Legislature to adopt specified maps when  
redistricting; creating three independent  
redistricting commissions; establishing a screening  
panel and procedure to review applicants; authorizing  
commissioners to be compensated at a specified rate;  
providing requirements for commission meetings;  
providing that the commission is considered a client  
in certain circumstances; requiring a specified number  
of public hearings be held in a certain manner;  
requiring maps be adopted in a specified manner;  
defining the term "extraordinary circumstance";  
providing legislative findings;

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