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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 488
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “clarifying” in line 3 down through “Delegates;” in line 4 and substitute “altering the standards for the drawing of legislative districts; establishing standards for the drawing of congressional districts;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 18, strike in their entirety lines 22 through 26, inclusive, and substitute:

“4.

Each legislative district [shall consist of adjoining territory, be compact in form, and of substantially equal population. Due regard shall be given to natural boundaries and the boundaries of political subdivisions] AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

(1) SHALL RESPECT NATURAL BOUNDARIES AND THE GEOGRAPHIC INTEGRITY AND CONTINUITY OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, COUNTIES, AND OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE;

(2) SHALL BE GEOGRAPHICALLY CONTIGUOUS AND COMPACT AND INCLUDE NEARBY AREAS OF POPULATION TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE;

(3) SHALL REFLECT COMMUNITIES OF COMMON INTEREST;

(4) MAY NOT ACCOUNT FOR HOW INDIVIDUALS ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE, HOW INDIVIDUALS VOTED IN THE PAST, OR THE POLITICAL PARTY TO WHICH INDIVIDUALS BELONG; AND

(5) MAY NOT ACCOUNT FOR THE DOMICILE OR RESIDENCE OF ANY INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING AN INCUMBENT OFFICEHOLDER OR A POTENTIAL CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE.”.