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Committee: Redistricting

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to redistricting; to amend sections 32-504 and
2 32-505, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to set the district
3 boundaries of the Representatives in the Congress of the United
4 States by the adoption of maps by reference; to harmonize
5 provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an
6 emergency.

7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 32-504, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 32-504 (1) Based on the 2020 ~~2010~~ Census of Population by the United
4 States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, the State of
5 Nebraska is hereby divided into three districts for electing
6 Representatives in the Congress of the United States, and each district
7 shall be entitled to elect one representative.

8 (2) The numbers and boundaries of the districts are designated and
9 established by maps identified and labeled as maps XXX to XXX
10 ~~CON11-30001-1, CON11-30001A, CON11-30001-2, CON11-30001-3,~~
11 ~~CON11-30001-3A~~, filed with the Clerk of the Legislature, and incorporated
12 by reference as part of this legislative bill ~~Laws 2011, LB704~~.

13 (3)(a) The Clerk of the Legislature shall transfer possession of the
14 maps referred to in subsection (2) of this section to the Secretary of
15 State on the effective date of this act ~~May 27, 2011~~.

16 (b) When questions of interpretation of district boundaries arise,
17 the maps referred to in subsection (2) of this section in possession of
18 the Secretary of State shall serve as the indication of the legislative
19 intent in drawing the district boundaries.

20 (c) Each election commissioner or county clerk shall obtain copies
21 of the maps referred to in subsection (2) of this section for the
22 election commissioner's or clerk's county from the Secretary of State.

23 (d) The Secretary of State shall also have available for viewing on
24 his or her website the maps referred to in subsection (2) of this section
25 identifying the boundaries for the districts.

26 Sec. 2. Section 32-505, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
27 amended to read:

28 32-505 For purposes of section 32-504, the Legislature adopts the
29 official population figures and maps from the 2020 ~~2010~~ Census
30 Redistricting (Public Law 94-171) TIGER/Line Shapefiles published by the
31 United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

1 Sec. 3. Original sections 32-504 and 32-505, Reissue Revised
2 Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

3 Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
4 passed and approved according to law.