

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 19—Committee on Elections,
Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study of the requirements for reapportionment and redistricting in the State of Nevada.

WHEREAS, The 76th Session of the Nevada Legislature will be required to reapportion and redistrict the election districts for the members of the Legislature, the members of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Nevada, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada and the State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce is required to deliver redistricting data from the decennial census in 2010 to the states not later than April 1, 2011, when the Nevada Legislature will already be in session; and

WHEREAS, The amount of data from the census in 2010 and the necessity to accomplish reapportionment and redistricting in an expeditious manner during the 76th Session of the Nevada Legislature will require additional computer software and extensive preparation and testing to allow for the generation and analysis of proposals concerning reapportionment and redistricting; and

WHEREAS, The reapportionment and redistricting must comply with current case law and constitutional and statutory legal requirements; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada Legislature has been working with the Bureau of the Census on the Voting District/Block Boundary Suggestion Project and other programs in preparation for the census in 2010 and the process of reapportionment and redistricting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to study the requirements for reapportionment and redistricting in this State in conjunction with the data from the decennial census of 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the study include:

1. A continuing examination and monitoring of any redistricting systems established or recommended by the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature, or to be established pursuant to any legislation enacted by the 75th Session of the Nevada



Legislature, including the requirements for computer equipment, computer software and the training of personnel;

2. A review of the case law concerning planning for reapportionment and redistricting in other states;

3. A review of the programs concerning planning for reapportionment and redistricting in other states;

4. The continuation of the State's participation in the programs of the Bureau of the Census; and

5. The participation in a program of the Bureau of the Census to increase the awareness of the general public concerning the census to ensure a complete and accurate count of all Nevadans in the year 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission may enter into contracts or other necessary agreements to establish and test reapportionment and redistricting programs and computer equipment to provide for the timely and efficient commencement of data processing for reapportionment and redistricting before the Legislature convenes in 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no action may be taken by the interim study committee on recommended legislation unless it receives a majority vote of the Assemblymen on the committee and a majority vote of the Senators on the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission report to the 76th Session of the Nevada Legislature the results of the study and any action taken in preparation for and any recommendations concerning reapportionment and redistricting.

