By:  Darby (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 1000

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2023; May 1, 2023, read first time and referred to Special Committee on Redistricting; May 4, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 2; May 4, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Huffman           X

Hinojosa          X

Alvarado              X

Birdwell          X

Creighton         X

Hancock           X

Nichols                     X

Perry             X

Springer          X

West                  X

Zaffirini                   X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of districts for the election of members of the Texas House of Representatives.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  The purpose of this Act is to ensure the legislature has fulfilled its duty to apportion the state into representative districts at its first regular session after the publication of the Twenty-fourth Decennial Census of the United States, as provided by Section 28, Article III, Texas Constitution.

SECTION 2.  The districts used to elect members of the Texas House of Representatives in 2022, established by Chapter 1 (H.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 2021 (PLANH2316 in the Texas Legislature's redistricting system), are hereby ratified and adopted as the districts used to elect members of the Texas House of Representatives.

SECTION 3.  The districts described by Section 2 of this Act apply to the election of the members of the Texas House of Representatives beginning with the primary and general elections in 2024 for members of the 89th Legislature. This Act does not affect the membership or districts of the Texas House of Representatives of the 88th Texas Legislature.

SECTION 4.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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