First Extraordinary Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 4

BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT

REAPPORTIONMENT/CONGRESS: Provides relative to the election districts for members of congress (Item #3)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:1276.1 and to repeal R.S. 18:1276, relative to congressional districts; to provide for the redistricting of Louisiana's congressional districts; to provide with respect to positions and offices, other than congressional, which are based upon congressional districts; to provide for the effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 18:1276.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

<u>§1276.1. Congressional districts</u>

<u>Louisiana shall be divided into six congressional districts, and the qualified electors of each district shall elect one representative to the United States House of Representatives. The districts shall be composed as follows:</u>

<u>(1) District 1 is composed of Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 105, 106, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 132, 134, 136, 198, 199, 246, 247, 248, 1-GI, 1-H, 2-H, 3-H, 4-H, 5-H, 6-H, 7-H, 8-H, 9-H, 1-K, 2-K, 3-K, 4-K, 5-K, 6-K, 7-K, 8-K, 9-K, 10-K, 11-K, 12-K, 13-KA, 14-K, 15-K, 16-K, 17-K, 18-K,</u>

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19-K, 20-K, 25-K, 34-K, 35-K and 1-L of Jefferson Parish; Lafourche Parish; Precincts 3-20, 4-9, 4-11, 4-14, 4-15, 4-17, 4-17A, 4-18, 4-20, 4-21, 4-22, 4-23, 5-16, 5-17, 5-18, 7-41, 7-42, 14-1, 14-2, 14-3, 14-4, 14-5, 14-6, 14-7, 14-8, 14-9, 14-10, 16-1, 16-1A, 16-2, 17-1, 17-17, 17-18, 17-18A, 17-19 and 17-20 of Orleans Parish; Plaquemines Parish; St. Bernard Parish; Precincts 2-5, 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 7-1, 7-2 and 7-3 of St. Charles Parish; Precincts 17-A and 18 of St. James Parish; Precinct 1-1 of St. John the Baptist Parish; Precincts 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 207, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 426, 427, 601, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 921, A01, A02, A04, C01, C02, C03, C04, C05, C06, C07, C08, C09, C10, C11, M01, M02, M03, M04, M05, M06, M07, M08, M09, M10, MD1, P01, S01, S02, S03, S04, S05, S06, S07, S08, S09, S10, S11, S12, S13, S15, S16, S17, S18, S19, S21, S22, S23, S24 and S25 of St. Tammany Parish; and Terrebonne Parish.

(2) District 2 is composed of Precincts 30, 36, 37, 39, 40, 42, 44, 45, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 and 60 of Ascension Parish; Precincts 1-1, 1-2, 2-2, 6-1, 6-2 and 7-1 of Assumption Parish; Precincts 1-1, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 1-6, 1-10, 1-13, 1-14, 1-15, 1-16, 1-17, 1-18, 1-19, 1-21, 1-22, 1-23, 1-24, 1-25, 1-26, 1-27, 1-28, 1-29, 1-30, 1-31, 1-32, 1-38, 1-45, 1-50, 1-51, 1-58, 1-61, 1-62, 1-63, 1-67, 1-68, 1-77, 1-84, 1-85, 1-86, 1-91, 1-92, 1-93, 1-94, 1-95, 1-100, 1-101, 2-1, 2-2, 2-4, 2-5, 2-9, 2-11, 2-13, 2-16, 2-19, 2-20, 2-22, 2-23, 2-24, 2-27 and 2-30 of East Baton Rouge Parish; Precincts 1, 2, 3, 6, 6A, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 13A, 13B, 13C, 14, 14A, 14B, 15, 15A, 15B, 16, 17, 17A, 18, 19, 19A, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 of Iberville Parish; Precincts 57, 104, 107, 108, 115, 116, 131, 133, 138, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157A, 157B, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179A, 179B, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185A, 185B, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194A, 194B, 195, 196, 197A, 197B, 197C, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 210, 211, 212A, 212B,

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17-12, 17-13, 17-13A, 17-14, 17-15 and 17-16 of Orleans Parish; Precincts 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, 1-5, 2-3, 2-4, 3-6, 4-4, 5-1, 5-4, 6-5, 6-6 and 7-4 of St. Charles Parish; Precincts 2, 5, 7, 7-A, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 15B, 16 and 17 of St. James Parish; Precincts 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 2-2, 2-3, 2-4, 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 5-1, 5-2, 5-5, 6-1, 6-3, 6-4 and 7-5 of St. John the Baptist Parish; and Precincts 1-1, 2-1A, 2-1B, 2-2, 2-3, 3-1A, 3-1B, 3-2, 4-1, 4-2, 4-3A, 4-3B, 4-4, 4-5, 5-1, 6-1, 6-2, 7-1 and 7-2 of West Baton Rouge Parish.

(3) District 3 is composed of Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 41, 43, 58 and 61 of Ascension Parish; Precincts 1-2, 1-7, 1-8, 1-9, 1-12, 1-33, 1-34, 1-35, 1-36, 1-37, 1-39, 1-40, 1-41, 1-42, 1-43, 1-44, 1-46, 1-47, 1-48, 1-49, 1-52, 1-53, 1-54, 1-55, 1-56, 1-57, 1-59, 1-60, 1-64, 1-65, 1-66, 1-69, 1-70, 1-71, 1-72, 1-73, 1-74, 1-75, 1-78, 1-80, 1-81, 1-82, 1-83, 1-87, 1-88, 1-89, 1-90, 1-97, 1-98, 1-99, 1-102, 1-103, 1-104, 1-105, 1-107, 2-3, 2-6, 2-7, 2-8, 2-10, 2-12, 2-14, 2-15, 2-17, 2-18, 2-21, 2-25, 2-26, 2-28, 2-29, 2-31, 2-32, 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 3-5, 3-6, 3-7, 3-8, 3-9, 3-10, 3-11, 3-12, 3-13, 3-14, 3-15, 3-16, 3-17, 3-18, 3-19, 3-20, 3-21, 3-22, 3-23, 3-24, 3-25, 3-26, 3-27, 3-28, 3-29, 3-30, 3-31, 3-32, 3-33, 3-34, 3-35, 3-36, 3-37, 3-38, 3-39, 3-40, 3-41, 3-42, 3-43, 3-44, 3-45, 3-46, 3-47, 3-48, 3-49, 3-50, 3-51, 3-52, 3-53, 3-54 and 3-55 of East Baton Rouge Parish; Precinct 10 of Iberville Parish; Livingston Parish; Precincts 1-6, 2-1, 2-2, 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 3-5, 5-2, 5-3, 5-5, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, 6-7 and 6-8 of St. Charles Parish; Precincts 3, 4, 6, 8, 8-A, 9 and 10 of St. James Parish; Precincts 2-1, 4-8, 4-9, 5-3, 5-4, 5-6, 5-7, 7-2, 7-3, 7-4 and 7-7 of St. John the Baptist Parish; Precincts 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 602, A03 and F01 of St. Tammany Parish; Precincts 33, 40, 40A, 41, 42, 42A, 43, 44, 45, 45A, 46, 47, 48, 49, 70, 70A, 71, 72, 72A, 73, 74, 106B, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 120A, 120B, 121A, 121B, 122, 122A, 123, 124, 125, 127, 127A, 129, 129A, 133, 133A, 137, 137A, 137B, 137C, 137D, 139, 141, 141A, 143, 145, 149, 149A and 151 of Tangipahoa Parish; and Washington Parish.

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(4) District 4 is composed of Precincts 1-1, 1-2A, 1-2B, 1-3A, 1-3B, 1-4A, 1-4B, 1-5A, 1-5B, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 1-9, 2-1, 2-2, 2-4, 2-5, 3-2, 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-6, 5-1A, 5-1B, 5-2A, 5-2B, 5-3, 5-4, 5-5, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3A, 6-3B, 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-7, 6-8, 6-9, 6-10, 6-11, 6-12, 6-13, 6-14, 6-15 and 6-16 of Acadia Parish; Precincts 2-1, 2-3, 3-1, 3-2, 4-1, 4-2, 5-1, 5-2, 5-3, 5-4, 7-2, 8-1 and 9-1 of Assumption Parish; Calcasieu Parish; Cameron Parish; Iberia Parish; Jefferson Davis Parish; Lafayette Parish; St. Martin Parish; St. Mary Parish; and Vermilion Parish.

(5) District 5 is composed of Precincts 2-3, 3-1, 3-3A, 3-3B, 3-4, 3-5, 3-6, 3-7, 7-2, 7-3 and 7-4 of Acadia Parish; Allen Parish; Avoyelles Parish; Beauregard Parish; Caldwell Parish; Catahoula Parish; Concordia Parish; East Feliciana Parish; Evangeline Parish; Franklin Parish; Grant Parish; Precincts 4, 5, 25, 25A, 25B, 26, 26A, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 of Iberville Parish; Jackson Parish; La Salle Parish; Precincts 2-1, 2-2, 2-3, 2-4, 2-5, 2-6, 3-1, 3-3, 3-5, 3-6, 3-8, 3-9, 3-10, 4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-6, 4-7 and 4-9 of Natchitoches Parish; Precincts 25, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 44A, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 and 58 of Ouachita Parish; Pointe Coupee Parish; Rapides Parish; Sabine Parish; St. Helena Parish; St. Landry Parish; Precincts 1, 2, 6, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 26, 27, 27A, 28, 28A, 101, 102, 103, 104, 104A, 105, 106, 106A, 107, 108, 109, 109A, 111, 111A, 115B, 117, 119 and 121 of Tangipahoa Parish; Tensas Parish; Vernon Parish; Precincts 7-3 and 7-4 of West Baton Rouge Parish; West Feliciana Parish; and Winn Parish.

(6) District 6 is composed of Bienville Parish; Bossier Parish; Caddo Parish; Claiborne Parish; De Soto Parish; East Carroll Parish; Lincoln Parish; Madison Parish; Morehouse Parish; Precincts 1-1, 1-1A, 1-2, 1-3, 1-3A, 1-4, 1-4A, 1-4B, 1-5, 1-5A, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 1-9, 1-9A, 1-10, 1-10A, 1-10B, 1-11, 1-12, 1-13, 1-14, 2-7, 2-7A, 2-8, 2-9, 3-2, 3-4, 3-7, 4-1, 4-2 and 4-8 of Natchitoches Parish; Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 9A, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 34, 47, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78 and 79 of Ouachita Parish; Red River Parish; Richland Parish; Union Parish; Webster Parish; and West Carroll Parish.

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Section 2.(A) The precincts referenced in this Act are those Voting Districts (VTDs) contained in the 2010 Census Redistricting TIGER/Line Shapefiles for the State of Louisiana.

(B) When a precinct referenced in this Act has been subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a nongeographic basis or subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a geographic basis in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 18:532.1, the enumeration in this Act of the general precinct designation shall include all nongeographic and all geographic subdivisions thereof, however such subdivisions may be designated. The territorial limits of the districts as provided in this Act shall continue in effect without change regardless of any changes made to the precincts by the parish governing authority.

Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall not reduce the term of office of any person holding any position or office on the effective date of this Section, for which the appointment or election is based upon a congressional district as composed pursuant to R.S. 18:1276. Any position or office filled after January 3, 2013, for which the appointment or election is based on a congressional district shall be appointed or elected from a district as it is described in this Act.

Section 4. R.S. 18:1276 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 5.(A) The provisions of Section 1 of this Act shall become effective solely for the purposes of the election of representatives to the United States Congress at the next regularly scheduled election for representatives to the congress in 2012, commencing on the date and at the time that the qualifying period opens for such offices. The effectiveness of Section 1 of this Act for such purposes shall not reduce the term of office of any member of the congress elected at the 2010 congressional election or elected to fill a vacancy for the remainder of a term which began on January 3, 2011, or change the district which any member of congress represents pursuant to R.S. 18:1276. For subsequent elections of representatives to the United States Congress and for all other purposes, the provisions of Section 1 of this Act shall become effective at noon on the third day of January in 2013.

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(B) The provisions of Section 4 of this Act shall become effective at noon on the third day of January in 2013.

(C) The provisions of this Section and Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall become effective upon signature of this Act by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided in Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If this Act is vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, the provisions of this Section and Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

Gallot HB No. 4

Abstract: Provides for the redistricting of the state's congressional districts and provides for the composition of each of the six congressional districts. Effective for election purposes only for the regular congressional elections in 2012 and for all purposes on January 3, 2013.

Statistical summaries of the proposed law, including district variances from the ideal population of 755,562 and the range of those variances, as well as maps illustrating proposed district boundaries accompany this digest. *(Attached to hard copies of the bill distributed during session and available as a separate document on the Internet.)*

Present U.S. Constitution (14th Amendment) provides that representatives in congress shall be apportioned among the several states according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each state. The U.S. Supreme Court has held that the population of congressional districts in the same state must be as nearly equal in population as practicable.

Present law divides the state into seven districts for election of Louisiana's representatives to the U.S. House of Representatives.

Proposed law redraws district boundaries for the six congressional districts, effective for election purposes with the opening of the qualifying period for the 2012 primary election for members of congress.

Proposed law specifies that precincts referenced in district descriptions are those precincts identified as Voting Districts (VTDs) in the 2010 Census Redistricting TIGER/Line Shapefiles for the state of La. Also specifies that if any such precinct has been subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a nongeographic basis or subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a geographic basis in accordance with present law, the enumeration of the general precinct designation shall include all nongeographic and all geographic subdivisions thereof. Further provides that the territorial limits of the districts as enacted shall continue in effect without change regardless of any changes made to the precincts by the parish governing authority.

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Proposed law specifies that the effectiveness of the law for 2012 election purposes does not reduce the term of congressmen elected at the 2010 congressional election or elected to fill a vacancy for the remainder of a term which began on January 3, 2011. Further specifies that the provisions of proposed law shall not reduce the term of office of any person holding any position or office on the effective date of proposed law, for which the appointment or election is based upon a congressional district as composed pursuant to present law. Specifies that any position or office filled after January 3, 2013, for which the appointment or election is based on a congressional district shall be appointed or elected from a district as it is described in proposed law.

Proposed law retains present districts until noon on January 3, 2013, at which time present law is repealed and proposed districts are effective for all purposes.

Population data in the summaries accompanying this digest are derived from 2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171), Summary File for Louisiana. Population data, statistical information, and maps are supplied for purposes of information and analysis and comprise no part of proposed law.

Effective for election purposes only for the regular congressional elections in 2012; effective for all purposes on January 3, 2013.

(Adds R.S. 18:1276.1; Repeals R.S. 18:1276)

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