

Louisiana House of Representatives



Rick Gallot
Chairman

Committee on House and Governmental Affairs
P.O. Box 44486 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4486
(225) 342-2403
Fax - (225) 342-0768

M. J. "Mert" Smiley, Jr.
Vice Chairman

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the House of Representatives
From: Rick Gallot, Chairman, Committee on House and Governmental Affairs
Subject: First Regional Educational Presentation and Public Meeting on 2011 Redistricting
Date: November 18, 2009

On December 15, 2009, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the State Capitol, the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs will hold the first of a series of educational, pre-Census public meetings around the state on the Redistricting process. The other areas where meetings will be scheduled throughout January and early February are Lafayette, Lake Charles, Alexandria, Monroe, Shreveport, the Northshore, New Orleans, and Houma/Thibodaux. Those dates will be announced soon.

All meetings will be scheduled after regular business hours to make it easier for working people to attend, and each hearing will be streamed live on the Internet as though it were being held at the State Capitol.

Presentations will be made by staff regarding the Census, redistricting law, population trends in the region where the meeting is being held, current Census estimates for the region, and the timeline for 2011 Redistricting. The public will be invited to comment and ask questions.

The meetings will not be "committee meetings", but rather are for outreach and educational purposes for the public and members of the House. As such, all House and Governmental Affairs Committee members are welcome, but not required, to attend any or all of the meetings, and all House members will be invited and encouraged to attend in their area.

You can assist the committee tremendously in this endeavor by publicizing the regional meeting in your area to your local churches and civic organizations by whatever means you normally achieve public outreach in your district. Visit the House Redistricting webpage at http://house.louisiana.gov/H_Redistricting2011/ for general and contact information.

/so

cc: Notification Lists