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The Honorable Ronald Reagan
Governor
Sacramento, California


Dear Governor:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, a Certificate of Entitlement, attested by the Seal of the U. S. House of Representatives, showing the number of Representatives to which your State shall be entitled in the Ninety-Third Congress and in each Congress thereafter until the taking effect of a subsequent reapportionment under the law.

For your information I am also attaching copies of Section 22 of the Act as amended on November 15, 1941 that relates to apportionment of Representatives, and the message of the President of the United States of January 27, 1971, transmitting to Congress the 1970 population basis of apportionment, and the apportionment of Representatives by the method of equal proportions, pursuant to the provisions of the said Act.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



W. PAT JENNINGS, Clerk
U. S. House of Representatives

Attachments

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Precincts
Enclosure 1



Public Law 94-171
94th Congress, H. R. 1753
December 23, 1975

An Act

To amend section 141 of title 13, United States Code, to provide for the transmittal to each of the several States of the tabulation of population of that State obtained in each decennial census and desired for the apportionment or districting of the legislative body or bodies of that State, in accordance with, and subject to the approval of the Secretary of Commerce, a plan and form suggested by that officer or public body having responsibility for legislative apportionment or districting of the State being tabulated, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 141 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(c) The officers or public bodies having initial responsibility for the legislative apportionment or districting of each State may, not later than three years prior to the census date, submit to the Secretary a plan identifying the geographic areas for which specific tabulations of population are desired. Each such plan shall be developed in accordance with criteria established by the Secretary, which he shall furnish to such officers or public bodies not later than April 1 of the fourth year preceding the census date. Such criteria shall include requirements which assure that such plan shall be developed in a nonpartisan manner. Should the Secretary find that a plan submitted by such officers or public bodies does not meet the criteria established by him, he shall consult to the extent necessary with such officers or public bodies in order to achieve the alterations in such plan that he deems necessary to bring it into accord with such criteria. Any issues with respect to such plan remaining unresolved after such consultation shall be resolved by the Secretary, and in all cases he shall have final authority for determining the geographic format of such plan. Tabulations of population for the areas identified in any plan approved by the Secretary shall be completed by him as expeditiously as possible after the census date and reported to the Governor of the State involved and the officers or public bodies having responsibility for legislative apportionment or districting of such State, except that such tabulations of population of each State requesting a tabulation plan, and basic tabulations of population of each other State, shall, in any event, be completed, reported and transmitted to each respective State within one year after the census date.”

Population,
tabulation
for state
legislative
apportionment,
Plan.

SEC. 2. (a) The heading for section 141 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: “; tabulation for legislative apportionment”.

(b) The table of sections for chapter 5 of title 13, United States Code, is amended by striking out the item relating to section 141 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“141. Population, unemployment, and housing; tabulation for legislative apportionment.”.

Approved December 23, 1975.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORT No. 94-456 (Comm. on Post Office and Civil Service).

SENATE REPORT No. 94-539 (Comm. on Post Office and Civil Service).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 121 (1975):

Nov. 7, considered and passed House.

Dec. 15, considered and passed Senate.