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# ACT No. 535

HOUSE BILL NO. 910

BY REPRESENTATIVES LANCASTER, BURRELL, DARTEZ, GLOVER, PITRE, ST. GERMAIN, AND TRICHE

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:35.5(A)(introductory paragraph), (2), (4), (51), (54), (55), and (60) and (C) and to enact R.S. 24:35.5(B)(3); to provide for the composition of certain House of Representatives districts; to provide for the composition of House of Representatives Districts Nos. 2, 4, 51, 54, 55, and 60; to provide for the precincts used to compose the districts for the House of Representatives; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 24:35.5(A)(introductory paragraph), (2), (4), (51), (54), (55), and (60) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 24:35.5(B)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§35.5. Membership of the House of Representatives

A. The House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana shall be composed of one hundred five members. ~~Effective with the opening of the qualifying period for the primary election in 2003 for members of the legislature, the~~ The state shall be divided into the representative districts provided in this Section effective for all purposes ~~of election of members at the 2003 regular elections. These districts shall be effective for all purposes beginning at 10:00 a.m. on January 12, 2004.~~ One representative shall be elected from each district.

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(2) District No. 2 is composed of Precincts 2-5, 2-6, 2-8, and 2-23 of Bossier Parish and Precincts ~~6, 7, 15, 17, 29, 31, 37, 39, 40, 41, 44, 45, 46, 54, 64, 67, 71, 98,~~

1 ~~and 99~~ 6, 7, 15, 17, 28, 29, 30, 31, 37, 39, 40, 41, 44, 46, 54, 64, 67, 71, 98, and 99  
2 of Caddo Parish.

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4 (4) District No. 4 is composed of Precincts ~~1, 2, 5, 30, 55, 57, 73, 81, 82, 83,~~  
5 ~~84, 85, 86, 87, 122, 140, and 141~~ 1, 2, 5, 43, 45, 47, 55, 57, 73, 74, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85,  
6 86, 87, 122, 130, 140, and 141 of Caddo Parish.

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8 (51) District No. 51 is composed of Precincts ~~2-3, 3-1, 3-2, 4-1, 4-2, 9-1, and~~  
9 ~~9-2~~ 2-1, 2-2, 2-3, 3-1, 3-2, 4-1, and 4-2 of Assumption Parish; Precincts ~~27, 28, 29,~~  
10 ~~30, 31, 32, 33, 34A, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40~~ 27, 28, 29, 29A, 30, 30A, 32, 33,  
11 35A, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40 of St. Mary Parish; and Precincts ~~1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 53,~~  
12 ~~54, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 70, 72, 73, and 76~~ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 53, 54, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68,  
13 70, 72, 73, 76, 81, and 82 of Terrebonne Parish.

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15 (54) District No. 54 is composed of Precinct 1-GI of Jefferson Parish and  
16 Precincts ~~3-5, 3-6, 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4,~~ 7-1, 7-2, 7-3, 7-4, 8-1, 9-1,  
17 9-2, 10-1, 10-2, 10-3, 10-4, 10-5, 10-6, 10-7, 10-8, 10-9, 10-10, 10-11, 10-12, 10-13,  
18 10-14, 10-15, and 10-16 of Lafourche Parish.

19 (55) District No. 55 is composed of Precincts 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 2-1, 2-1A,  
20 2-2, 2-3, 2-3A, 2-4, 2-4A, 2-5, 2-6, 2-7, 2-8, 2-9, 2-10, 2-11, 2-12, 2-13, 2-14, 3-1,  
21 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, ~~3-5,~~ 5-1, 5-1A, 5-1B, 5-2, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, 11-3, and 11-4 of  
22 Lafourche Parish.

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24 (60) District No. 60 is composed of Precinct 53 of Ascension Parish;  
25 Precincts ~~2-1, 2-2, 5-1, 5-2, 5-3, 6-1 & 6-1A, 6-2, 7-1 & 7-1A, 7-2, and 8-1~~ 5-1, 5-2,  
26 5-3, 5-4, 6-1 & 6-1A, 6-2, 7-1 & 7-1A, 7-2, 8-1, 8-2, and 9-1 of Assumption Parish;  
27 Precincts ~~4, 5, 6, 6A, 13, 13A, 13B, 14, 14A, 14B, 15, 15A, 15B, 16, 17, 17A, 18, 19,~~  
28 ~~19A, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 25A, 25B, 26, 26A, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32~~ 4, 5, 6,  
29 6A, 13, 13A, 13B, 13C, 14, 14A, 14B, 15, 15A, 15B, 16, 17, 17A, 18, 19, 19A, 20,

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1 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 25A, 25B, 26, 26A, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32 of Iberville Parish;  
2 and Precincts ~~1-1, 2-1, and 3-2~~ 1-1, 2-1A, 2-1B, and 3-2 of West Baton Rouge  
3 Parish.

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7 (3) The precincts to which reference is made in this Section for House  
8 District Nos. 2, 4, 51, 54, 55, and 60 as amended and reenacted by the provisions  
9 contained in the Act which originated as House Bill No. 910 of the 2004 Regular  
10 Session of the Legislature are those adopted by the respective parish governing  
11 authorities under the provisions of R.S. 18:532 or 532.1 or pursuant to a court order  
12 made effective no later than November 1, 2003, and contained in the precinct  
13 database of the Department of Elections and Registration as of November 1, 2003.

14 C. When a precinct enumerated in this Section has been subdivided by action  
15 of the parish registrar of voters or governing authority on a nongeographic basis (for  
16 purposes of polling), or subdivided by action of the parish governing authority on a  
17 geographic basis under the provisions of R.S. 18:532.1~~(G)~~, the enumeration in this  
18 Section of the general precinct designation shall include all polling subdivisions  
19 thereof and all geographic subdivisions thereof; however, such subdivisions may be  
20 designated. When a precinct enumerated in this Section has been consolidated or  
21 merged on a geographic basis by action of the parish governing authority pursuant  
22 to the provisions of R.S. 18:532.1~~(H)~~, the territorial limits of the districts as provided  
23 in Subsection A of this Section shall continue in effect without change. The  
24 territorial limits of the districts as provided in Subsection A of this Section and  
25 subject to the provisions of Subsection B of this Section shall continue in effect  
26 without change regardless of any changes made to the precincts by the parish  
27 registrar of voters or the parish governing authority.

28 Section 2.(A) The provisions of this Act shall not affect or reduce the term of office  
29 of any member of the House of Representatives elected at the regular election of members

1 of the legislature in 2003 or of any member of the House of Representatives elected pursuant  
2 to a special election held prior to the effective date of this Act.

3 (B) Each member of the House of Representatives in office on the effective date of  
4 this Act shall be the member of the House of Representatives for the district having the same  
5 designation as the district from which the member was elected and shall complete the term  
6 for which he was elected.

7 (C) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any vacancy occurring in  
8 House District Nos. 2, 4, 51, 54, 55, or 60 occurring prior to the next regular election of  
9 members of the legislature shall be filled from such district as amended by the provisions of  
10 this Act.

11 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
12 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
13 by the governor, as provided in Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
14 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
15 effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_