

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2019 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 2705**

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[Introduced January 28, 2019; Referred  
to the Committee on Political Subdivisions then then  
Judiciary. ]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §1-2-2c of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
 2 to the redistricting of the Senate into 16 two-member senatorial districts and redistricting  
 3 the House into 96 single member districts; how future house districts are to be drawn; and,  
 4 that the redistricting is to begin in 2020 based on the 2010 census.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 2. APPORTIONMENT OF REPRESENTATION.**

**§1-2-2c. Redistricting.**

1 (a) Upon the reapportionment and redistricting of the Legislature following the United  
 2 States Census in 2020 and in each subsequent reapportionment and redistricting, the House of  
 3 Delegates shall be composed of ~~one hundred~~ 96 single member districts and the Senate shall be  
 4 composed of 16 two member districts, with apportionment to meet constitutional standards.

5 (b) Each Senate district shall contain six House of Delegates districts. Every 10 years the  
 6 House of Delegates and the Senate shall alternate or switch the priority as to which house is the  
 7 first to reapportion its districts.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create 16 two-member senatorial districts and 96 single-member delegate districts based on the 2010 census and implemented during the 2020 elections.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.