

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
2021 THIRD EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

Originating
House Bill 302

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[Originating in the House Redistricting Committee,
October 12, 2021.]

1 A BILL to amend §1-2-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
2 reapportionment of the counties of this state into congressional districts following the 2020
3 decennial census.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

§1-2-3. Congressional districts.

4 The number of members to which the state is entitled in the House of Representatives of
5 the Congress of the United States are apportioned among the counties of the state, arranged into
6 ~~three~~ two congressional districts, numbered as follows:

7 First District: ~~Barbour, Brooke, Doddridge, Gilmer, Grant, Hancock, Harrison, Marion,~~
8 ~~Marshall, Mineral, Monongalia, Ohio, Pleasants, Preston, Ritchie, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Wetzel~~
9 ~~and Wood.~~

COUNTY	POPULATION
<u>Boone</u>	<u>21,809</u>
<u>Braxton</u>	<u>12,447</u>
<u>Cabell</u>	<u>94,350</u>
<u>Calhoun</u>	<u>6,229</u>
<u>Clay</u>	<u>8,051</u>
<u>Fayette</u>	<u>40,488</u>
<u>Gilmer</u>	<u>7,408</u>
<u>Greenbrier</u>	<u>32,977</u>
<u>Jackson</u>	<u>27,791</u>
<u>Kanawha</u>	<u>180,745</u>
<u>Lincoln</u>	<u>20,463</u>
<u>Logan</u>	<u>32,567</u>
<u>Mason</u>	<u>25,453</u>
<u>McDowell</u>	<u>19,111</u>

25	<u>Mercer</u>	<u>59,664</u>
26	<u>Mingo</u>	<u>23,568</u>
27	<u>Monroe</u>	<u>12,376</u>
28	<u>Nicholas</u>	<u>24,604</u>
29	<u>Pendleton</u>	<u>6,143</u>
30	<u>Pocahontas</u>	<u>7,869</u>
31	<u>Putnam</u>	<u>57,440</u>
32	<u>Raleigh</u>	<u>74,591</u>
33	<u>Roane</u>	<u>14,028</u>
34	<u>Summers</u>	<u>11,959</u>
35	<u>Wayne</u>	<u>38,982</u>
36	<u>Webster</u>	<u>8,378</u>
37	<u>Wirt</u>	<u>5,194</u>
38	<u>Wyoming</u>	<u>21,382</u>
39	<u>DISTRICT 1 TOTAL</u>	<u>896,067</u>

40 Second District: ~~Berkeley, Braxton, Calhoun, Clay, Hampshire, Hardy, Jackson, Jefferson,~~
41 ~~Kanawha, Lewis, Morgan, Pendleton, Putnam, Randolph, Roane, Upshur and Wirt.~~

42	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>
43	<u>Barbour</u>	<u>15,465</u>
44	<u>Berkeley</u>	<u>122,076</u>
45	<u>Brooke</u>	<u>22,559</u>
46	<u>Doddridge</u>	<u>7,808</u>
47	<u>Grant</u>	<u>10,976</u>
48	<u>Hampshire</u>	<u>23,093</u>
49	<u>Hancock</u>	<u>29,095</u>
50	<u>Hardy</u>	<u>14,299</u>

51	<u>Harrison</u>	<u>65,921</u>
52	<u>Jefferson</u>	<u>57,701</u>
53	<u>Lewis</u>	<u>17,033</u>
54	<u>Marion</u>	<u>56,205</u>
55	<u>Marshall</u>	<u>30,591</u>
56	<u>Mineral</u>	<u>26,938</u>
57	<u>Monongalia</u>	<u>105,822</u>
58	<u>Morgan</u>	<u>17,063</u>
59	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>42,425</u>
60	<u>Pleasants</u>	<u>7,653</u>
61	<u>Preston</u>	<u>34,216</u>
62	<u>Randolph</u>	<u>27,932</u>
63	<u>Ritchie</u>	<u>8,444</u>
64	<u>Taylor</u>	<u>16,705</u>
65	<u>Tucker</u>	<u>6,762</u>
66	<u>Tyler</u>	<u>8,313</u>
67	<u>Upshur</u>	<u>23,816</u>
68	<u>Wetzel</u>	<u>14,442</u>
69	<u>Wood</u>	<u>84,296</u>
70	<u>DISTRICT 2 TOTAL</u>	<u>897,649</u>

71 ~~Third District: Boone, Cabell, Fayette, Greenbrier, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, McDowell,~~
72 ~~Mercer, Mingo, Monroe, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Raleigh, Summers, Wayne, Webster and~~
73 ~~Wyoming.~~

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to reapportion and assign the counties of this state into congressional districts to adjust for population as determined by the 2020 decennial census.

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