

Approved: May 10, 2012
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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Michael O'Neal at 12:47 p.m. on Tuesday, May 8, 2012, in Room 346-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except Representative Weber, who was replaced by Representative Smith.

Committee staff present:

Corey Carnahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dorothy Noblit, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Craig Callahan, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Gary Deeter, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

None

Others in attendance:

See attached list.

The Chair, referencing the May 7 meeting, where discussion centered on the State Board of Education redistricting map (For the People 13b) that placed two incumbents in the same district, announced that one of the two members in question, David Dennis, had confirmed that he would not be a candidate for this year's State Board of Education election.

Based on the Senate map For the People 13b, a State Board of Education district map designated For the People 13b-v1 was submitted to reflect the contents of **HB 2796** (Attachment 1).

Minority Leader Davis distributed For the People 13b-v 3 and made a motion to amend the version 3 map into **HB 2796**. The motion was seconded by Representative Ward. After discussion regarding how version 3 would affect certain areas, the motion failed 7-15.

A motion was made and seconded to insert For the People 13b-v1 (**HB 2796**) into **SB 102**. (Motion by Representative Aurand; seconded by Representative Mast) The motion passed, 14-7.

Representative Aurand made a motion, seconded by Representative Mast, to consider **SB 102** as amended as favorable for passage as a substitute bill.

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The Minority Leader, noting that the Committee had violated tradition by creating a map for the Senate, warned about future ramifications of this decision. Another member stated that the Committee should not do the Senate's work for them. Another member responded that at times it is important to sacrifice tradition in order to provide the checks and balances provided in the political system.

The Chair commended the Committee for its bipartisan work on the House redistricting map and commented that the Senate's redistricting map was significantly flawed. He noted that the Senate map created by the Committee had pertinent input by Senate members, and that **SB 102** gives the Senate another opportunity to do the right thing.

The motion passed 14-8. Representatives Kuether and Peterson were recorded as voting no.

The Chair thanked members for their service on the Committee. The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m. No further meeting was envisioned.

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