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Fairness and Independence in Redistricting Act

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Related Bills

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| 113 HR 2758 | Related bill | Sep 13, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. |
| 113 HR 2978 | Related bill | Sep 13, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. |
| 113 HR 2490 | Related bill | Jul 15, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. |
| 113 HR 278 | Related bill | Feb 28, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice. |
| 113 HR 223 | Related bill | Jan 25, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice. |

Fairness and Independence in Redistricting Act - Prohibits a state that has been redistricted after an apportionment from being redistricted again until after the next apportionment of Representatives, unless the state is ordered by a court to conduct such a subsequent redistricting in order to comply with the U.S. Constitution or enforce the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Requires such redistricting to be conducted through a plan developed by the independent redistricting commission established in the state, or if such plan is not enacted into law, the redistricting plan selected by the state's highest court or developed by a U.S. district court.

Prescribes requirements for: (1) establishment of a state independent redistricting commission (including provisions for holding each of its meetings in public and maintaining a public Internet website); (2) development of a redistricting plan (including soliciting and considering public comments) and its submission to the state legislature (with public notice of plans at least seven days prior to such submission); (3) selection of a plan, under specified conditions, by the state's highest court or the U.S. district court for the district in which the capital of the state is located; (4) special rules for redistricting conducted under a federal court order; and (5) Election Assistance Commission payments to states for carrying out redistricting.

Actions Timeline

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