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Fair Districts Amendment

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Constitutional Amendment

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This joint resolution proposes a constitutional amendment requiring a state, in establishing districts for the election of Representatives in Congress, to ensure that:

- no plan for the apportionment of Representatives among individual districts, or any individual district established under such plan, is drawn with the intent to favor or disfavor a political party or an incumbent;
- districts shall not be drawn with the intent or result of denying or abridging the equal opportunity of racial or language minorities to participate in the political process or to diminish their ability to elect Representatives of their choice; and
- districts shall consist of contiguous territory.

Districts shall be as nearly equal in population as is practicable, shall be compact, and shall utilize existing political and geographical boundaries where feasible, unless compliance with such a requirement conflicts with the previous requirements of this joint resolution.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 3, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Jan 11, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 11, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.