

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to establish a legislative management redistricting committee, to provide for
2 the implementation of a legislative redistricting plan, and to provide for a special legislative
3 session; and to declare an emergency.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE - SPECIAL**

6 **LEGISLATIVE SESSION.** The chairman of the legislative management shall appoint a

7 committee to develop a legislative redistricting plan to be implemented in time for use in the

8 2012 primary election. The committee must consist of an equal number of members from the

9 senate and the house of representatives ~~and~~ appointed by the chairman of the legislative

10 management ~~shall appoint members based upon the recommendations of the majority leaders~~

11 ~~of the senate and the house of representatives.~~ The committee shall ensure that any legislative

12 redistricting plan submitted to the legislative assembly for consideration must be of compact

13 and contiguous territory and conform to all constitutional requirements with respect to

14 population equality. The committee may adopt additional constitutionally recognized redistricting

15 guidelines and principles to implement in preparing a legislative redistricting plan for submission

16 to the legislative assembly. The committee shall submit a redistricting plan and legislation to

17 implement the plan to the legislative management by October 31, 2011. The chairman of the

18 legislative management shall request the governor ~~shall~~ to call a special session of the

19 legislative assembly pursuant to section 7 of article V of the Constitution of North Dakota to

20 allow the legislative assembly to adopt a redistricting plan to be implemented in time for use in

21 the 2012 primary election and to address any other issue that may be necessary, including

22 consideration of legislation in response to federal health care reform legislation.

23 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

