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Tentative Agenda

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Commission Work Session on Legislative House Districts

November 28 – December 1, 2022

9 a.m. on each day

Room 102, State Capitol and Zoom

The commission took public comment on proposed legislative House district maps during 9 public hearings held in August and September. The commission will not take additional verbal comment *about district proposals* during this work session. However, written comments are always accepted, and the public is encouraged to submit comments that can help improve the quality of the final maps. See page 3 of this agenda for information on submitting written comments. *The commission will take verbal comments on its two proposed bill drafts on Wednesday, November 30. Comments will be taken in person in Room 102 and on Zoom for those who sign up by 8 am on Wednesday, November 30 using the form at <https://mtredistricting.gov/remote-participation-request/>* Written comments on the drafts are also accepted at any time.

The next opportunity for the public to provide in-person and remote testimony will be on December 10 when the commission takes comments on the proposed House districts developed during this work session, possible pairings to create Senate districts, and holdover senator assignments. Visit the commission's website to view the [December meeting schedule](#).

Please note:

- The meeting is streamed live at <http://sg001-harmony.sliq.net/00309/Harmony/en>
- The commission pauses for meals and breaks at the discretion of the presiding officer.
- The commission may not meet on every noticed day. Please consult the commission's website – <https://mtredistricting.gov/> – for up-to-date information on the days the commission will convene.

Monday, November 28, 2022

1. **Call to Order – Roll Call – Presiding Officer Maylinn Smith**
Welcome and announcements
2. **Overview of meeting purpose and adopted criteria – Commissioner Smith**

3. **Presentation and discussion of any additional draft plans** (if needed)
4. **Commission Work Session:** Discuss, revise, adopt legislative redistricting plan for 100 House districts
5. **Recess**

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

1. **Reconvene at 9 a.m. – Roll Call** – Presiding Officer Maylinn Smith
Announcements
2. **Commission Work Session:** Discuss, revise, adopt legislative redistricting plan for 100 House districts
3. **Recess**

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

1. **Reconvene at 9 a.m. – Roll Call** – Presiding Officer Maylinn Smith
Announcements
2. **Commission Bill Drafts:** *LC 1068 (Generally revise laws related to redistricting data for inmates) and LC 1069 (Limiting the number of registered voters in each election precinct)*
 - Commission discussion of potential changes
 - Public comment* on draft bills
 - *Action Item:* Propose/adopt revisions to draft bills, if wanted

*To accommodate all who wish to testify, public comment is limited to 5 minutes for each person. Comment time may be further restricted by the presiding officer. Public comment provided in person or remotely at a commission meeting is a public record that is recorded, archived, and available on the Internet. Public comment submitted in writing at a commission meeting is a public record that will be posted to the commission's website as part of the minutes log for the commission meeting. *Comments will be taken in person in Room 102 and on Zoom for those who sign up by 8 am on Wednesday, November 30 using the form at <https://mtredistricting.gov/remote-participation-request/>*

3. **Commission Work Session:** Discuss, revise, adopt legislative redistricting plan for 100 House districts
4. **Recess**

Thursday, December 1, 2022

1. **Reconvene at 9 a.m. – Roll Call** – Presiding Officer Maylinn Smith
Announcements
2. **Commission Work Session:** Discuss, revise, adopt legislative redistricting plan for 100 House districts
3. **Adjourn**

Public Participation in the November 28 to December 1, 2022, Commission Meeting

This meeting of the Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission is open to the public. Members of the public may:

- observe the work session in person at the Capitol;
- provide written public comment* on any redistricting topic; and
- stream the work session live online at <http://sg001-harmony.sliq.net/00309/Harmony/en>

Written public comments may be submitted through the [webform](#) at the commission's website, by email at districting@legmt.gov, or by mailing the comments to Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission, PO Box 201706, Helena, MT 59620. To ensure commissioners have time to weigh comments prior to the work session, please send comments by **5 p.m. on Friday, November 25**. After that time, comments received **by 8 a.m. on a meeting day** will be given to the commissioners prior to that day's meeting.

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*Written public comment is a public record that will be posted to the commission's website and retained as part of the commission's permanent public record.

The Montana Legislative Services Division makes reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this public meeting. For questions about accessibility or to request accommodations, contact the commission's staff at 406-444-3064 or districting@legmt.gov as soon as possible before the meeting date.