

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 43rd Legislature (1991)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1002

BY: COTNER

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS; DIVIDING THE STATE INTO SIX CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING THAT THIS ACT SHALL NOT AFFECT THE OPERATION OF ANY BOARD, COMMISSION OR OTHER ENTITY WHOSE MEMBERSHIP IS BASED UPON CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN CREATED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS; REPEALING 14 O.S. 1981, SECTION 5, WHICH RELATES TO CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF 1980; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5.1 of Title 14, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The State of Oklahoma is hereby divided into six (6) Congressional Districts, based on the Federal Decennial Census of 1990.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5.2 of Title 14, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall not affect the operation of any board, commission or other entity whose membership is based upon Congressional Districts which have heretofore been created by law.

SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5.3 of Title 14, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Legislature declares that careful and diligent efforts have been put forth in the preparation of the Congressional Districts set forth in this act to provide that each Congressional District provided herein is as nearly equal in population to all other such districts as may be; provided, however, if by some scrivener's error any Census Tract, Block Group, or Census Block has been inadvertently and unintentionally so placed as to be noncontiguous, then it shall be the duty of the Legislature to correct such scrivener's error to preserve the equality of population in such districts.

SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5.4 of Title 14, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Congressional Districts described herein shall become effective at the beginning of the terms of the members of the United States House of Representatives elected at the general election in November, 1992, provided, however, the State Election Board shall conduct the elections for such offices in 1992 in accordance with the provisions of this act.

SECTION 6. REPEALER 14 O.S. 1981, Section 5, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby

declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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