

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 973

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE TRENT.

1988H.011

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

### AN ACT

To amend chapter 127, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to the nonpartisan state demographer.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 127, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 127.010 and 127.030, to read as follows:

**127.010. For purposes of this chapter, the following terms and phrases shall mean:**

(1) "Demographer" or "nonpartisan state demographer", the nonpartisan state demographer appointed pursuant to Article III, Section 3 of the Constitution of Missouri;

(2) "Redistricting process", the process of preparing and drawing legislative maps pursuant to Article III, Sections 3 and 7 of the Constitution of Missouri;

(3) "Redistricting public comment portal", the website established pursuant to section 127.030 for the purpose of allowing the nonpartisan state demographer to publicly receive comments, records, documents, maps, data files, communication, or information of any kind relating to the redistricting process;

(4) "Redistricting records", any comments, records, documents, maps, or information of any kind accepted from a person or entity that is not the demographer and any comments, records, documents, maps, data files, communication, or information created by the demographer during the term of the demographer as part of the redistricting process.

**127.030. 1. The nonpartisan state demographer shall establish a website, to be known as the "Redistricting Public Comment Portal", for the purpose of allowing the**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

3 public acceptance of comments, records, documents, maps, data files, communication, or  
4 information of any kind relating to the redistricting process.

5       2. The nonpartisan state demographer shall accept public comments, records,  
6 documents, maps, data files, communication, and information of any kind relating to the  
7 redistricting process solely through the redistricting public comment portal.

8       3. Any comments, records, documents, maps, data files, communication, or  
9 information of any kind submitted through the redistricting public comment portal by any  
10 person or entity shall be accompanied by a disclosure form that indicates whether:

11       (1) The person or entity making the submission was responsible in whole or in part  
12 for such submission; or

13       (2) A person or entity other than the person or entity making the submission  
14 contributed money that was intended to fund the preparation of the submission and, if so,  
15 the disclosure form shall additionally identify each such person or entity.

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