

Senate Bill 989

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES (at the request of Senate Committee on Redistricting)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Modifies provisions relating to redistricting.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to redistricting; amending ORS 188.010.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 188.010 is amended to read:

5 188.010. The Legislative Assembly or the Secretary of State, whichever is applicable, shall con-
6 sider the following criteria when apportioning the state into congressional and legislative districts:

7 (1) Each district, as nearly as practicable, shall:

8 (a) Be contiguous;

9 (b) Be of equal population;

10 (c) Utilize existing geographic or political boundaries;

11 (d) Not divide communities of common interest; and

12 (e) Be connected by transportation links.

13 (2) [No] **A** district [*shall*] **may not** be drawn for the purpose of favoring any political party,
14 incumbent legislator or other person.

15 (3) [No] **A** district [*shall*] **may not** be drawn for the purpose of diluting the voting strength of
16 any language or ethnic minority group.

17 (4) Two state House of Representative districts shall be wholly included within a single state
18 senatorial district.

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.