

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2974

Ordered by the House April 15
Including House Amendments dated April 15

Sponsored by Representatives LININGER, MCLAIN, HOYLE; Representative JOHNSON

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.

Requires Legislative Assembly or Secretary of State to hold **10** public hearings throughout state prior to [*adopting*] **proposing** congressional or legislative reapportionment plan. **Requires Legislative Assembly or Secretary of State, to extent practicable, to hold five public hearings after reapportionment plan is proposed but before plan is adopted.**

Requires hearings to be held either throughout state or with use of videoconferencing technologies.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to reapportionment.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 188.010 to**
5 **188.295.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) When apportioning the state into congressional or legislative districts,**
7 **the Legislative Assembly or the Secretary of State, whichever is applicable, shall:**

8 **(a) Hold at least 10 public hearings at locations throughout the state prior to proposing**
9 **a reapportionment plan; and**

10 **(b)(A) To the extent practicable, hold five public hearings after a reapportionment plan**
11 **is proposed, but before the plan is adopted. The adoption of a reapportionment plan may not**
12 **be delayed by the impracticability of holding one or more of the hearings required under this**
13 **paragraph.**

14 **(B) Conduct the hearings required under this paragraph either at five different locations**
15 **throughout the state or with the use of videoconferencing technologies that permit active**
16 **citizen participation throughout the state.**

17 **(2) In holding the hearings required under subsection (1) of this section, the Legislative**
18 **Assembly or the Secretary of State, whichever is applicable, must:**

19 **(a) Provide appropriate public notice of the time and location of each hearing;**

20 **(b) Hold at least one hearing required under subsection (1)(a) of this section and one**
21 **hearing required under subsection (1)(b) of this section in areas that have experienced the**
22 **largest shifts in population since the previous reapportionment, and prioritize holding addi-**
23 **tional public hearings in these areas; and**

24 **(c) Permit and make provision for individuals at remote sites throughout the state to**
25 **provide public testimony at the hearings through the use of video equipment.**

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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.