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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

A Joint Resolution extending the period designated in house joint resolution twenty-eight (28), Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly, during which the general assembly may adopt a plan subdistricting counties and legislative districts.

WHEREAS, the Sixty-second (62nd) General Assembly enacted House Joint Resolution Twenty-eight (28) establishing a commission to conduct a study of legislative subdistricting and to make recommendations to the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the commission was directed to submit no later than May 1, 1967, a plan for subdividing into single-member subdistricts any county wherein more than one (1) senator is elected and any county or district wherein more than one (1) representative is elected; and

WHEREAS, the commission filed its report with recommendations for subdistricting on May 1, 1967 and notified the General Assembly that legislation incorporating the commission's report was being drafted; and

WHEREAS, technical problems have arisen in the drafting due to the necessity for detailed descriptions in citing subdistrict boundaries in the urban areas being subdivided; and

WHEREAS, it has been deemed advisable that local jurisdictions involved in subdistricting be contacted prior to the final adoption of a subdistricting plan to verify boundaries cited in the proposed legislation; and

WHEREAS, the verification in all probability cannot be completed prior to June 1, 1967, the deadline established in House Joint Resolution Twenty-eight (28) for the General Assembly to adopt a subdistricting plan; NOW THEREFORE

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. The period for the general assembly to consider
- 2 the subdistricting plan submitted by the 1967 Iowa legislative

3 subdistricting commission established by house joint resolu-
4 tion twenty-eight (28), Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly,
5 and for the general assembly to enact a plan subdistricting the
6 counties electing more than one (1) senator and the counties and
7 district electing more than one (1) representative is hereby
8 extended as provided in this Act.

1 Sec. 2. The general assembly shall, no later than June 15,
2 1967, adopt by statute a plan as directed in house joint resolu-
3 tion twenty-eight (28), Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly.
4 The provisions of section five (5) of house joint resolution
5 twenty-eight (28) shall apply to any apportionment plan adopted
6 by the general assembly or in the absence of any plan adopted
7 within the time period designated in this Act.

1 Sec. 3. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall
2 be in full force and effect from and after its passage and pub-
3 lication in the Council Bluffs Nonpareil, a newspaper published
4 at Council Bluffs, Iowa, and in The Times-Democrat, a newspaper
5 published at Davenport, Iowa.

EXPLANATION

This Resolution extends the June 1, 1967 deadline, established by House Joint Resolution 28, Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly, for the General Assembly to subdistrict the counties and district in the State electing more than one senator or more than one representative. Under this Resolution, the General Assembly must complete the subdistricting no later than June 15, 1967.