



WYOMING LEGISLATIVE SERVICE OFFICE

Memorandum

DATE September 3, 2021

TO Members, Sixty-Sixth Legislature of the State of Wyoming

FROM Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

SUBJECT **Redistricting Principles - 2021¹**

1. Election districts should be contiguous, compact, and reflect a community of interest;
2. Population of election districts should be substantially equal, with the range of deviation not to exceed 10%;
3. To the greatest extent possible, in establishing election districts:
 - a. County boundaries should be followed;
 - b. Census blocks should be followed.
4. The plan should avoid diluting voting power of minorities in violation of the Voting Rights Act;
5. The House shall have 60 seats and the Senate shall have 30 seats;
6. Consideration should be given to two (2) contiguous House districts in each Senate district²; and
7. Significant geographical features should be considered in establishing districts.

¹ These Redistricting Principles were adopted by the Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee of the 66th Legislature of the State of Wyoming on August 16, 2021, and further amended on September 3, 2021.

² At the September 3, 2021 meeting the Committee adopted a motion indicating that the Committee would be willing to consider plans that have multi-member districts as well as plans that have single member districts.