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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 14

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED BY THE LEGISLATURE

Attorney General's Explanatory Statement

The Legislature submitted this proposal for a vote. It would amend the Montana Constitution to require that 90 days after the final census figures are available, the Montana District and Apportionment Commission must complete its final plan for redistricting congressional districts. Currently the Commission's redistricting plan must be submitted to the Legislature for comment at the first regular session after its appointment or after the census figures are available before the final plan may become law. This proposal would eliminate the need for legislative comment on the congressional redistricting plan, but would retain the requirement for the legislative redistricting plan.

AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V, SECTION 14, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS IN MONTANA BE REDISTRICTED WITHIN 90 DAYS AFTER THE OFFICIAL FINAL DEPARTMENTAL CENSUS FIGURES ARE AVAILABLE.

FOR requiring the congressional redistricting plan to be finalized within 90 days after official final census data are available and eliminating provisions for legislative comment.

AGAINST requiring the congressional redistricting plan to be finalized within 90 days after official final census data are available and eliminating provisions for legislative comment.