

SENATE BILL NO. 220

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DISTRICTS FOR
THE PURPOSE OF POPULATION EQUALITY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSITION; AND AMENDING SECTION
69-1-104, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 69-1-104, MCA, is amended to read:

"69-1-104. Public service commission districts. In this state there are five public service commission
districts, with one commissioner elected from each district, distributed as follows:

(1) first district: Blaine, ~~Cascade~~, Chouteau, Daniels, Dawson, Fergus, Garfield, ~~Glacier~~, ~~Golden Valley~~,
Hill, Judith Basin, Liberty, McCone, ~~Musselshell~~, Petroleum, Phillips, ~~Pondera~~, ~~Prairie~~, Richland, Roosevelt,
Sheridan, Toole, ~~and Valley~~, ~~and Wibaux~~, AND WIBAUX Counties;

(2) second district: Big Horn, Carbon, Carter, Custer, Fallon, ~~Musselshell~~, Powder River, Prairie,
Rosebud, ~~Stillwater~~, ~~Sweet Grass~~, Treasure, ~~Wibaux~~, and Yellowstone Counties;

(3) third district: Beaverhead, Broadwater, ~~Cascade~~, Deer Lodge, Gallatin, Golden Valley, Jefferson,
~~Judith Basin~~, ~~Lewis and Clark~~, Madison, Meagher, ~~Teton~~, MUSSELSHELL, Park, Silver Bow, Stillwater, Sweet
Grass, and Wheatland Counties;

(4) fourth district: ~~Beaverhead~~, ~~Deer Lodge~~, ~~Gallatin~~, Granite, ~~Madison~~, ~~Park~~, Lake LINCOLN, Mineral,
Missoula, Powell, Ravalli, and ~~Silver Bow~~ Sanders Counties;

(5) fifth district: Flathead, ~~Lake~~, Glacier, LAKE, Lewis and Clark, Lincoln, Mineral, ~~Missoula~~, and ~~Sanders~~
Pondera, and Teton Counties."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Transition.** For the purposes of the 2004 election, the secretary of state
shall declare which district a sitting commissioner represents for any public service commissioner whose district
is not up for election and shall use as criteria the residence of the respective commissioner on [the effective date
of this act].

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2 NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Saving clause.** [This act] does not affect rights and duties that matured,
3 penalties that were incurred, or proceedings that were begun before [the effective date of this act].

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