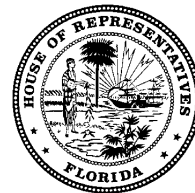




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**CHRIS SPROWLS**  
*Speaker of the House of  
Representatives*

# MEMORANDUM

**To:** All Senators and Representatives  
**From:** President Wilton Simpson and Speaker Chris Sprowls  
**Subject:** Redistricting Update  
**Date:** April 11, 2022

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With the Legislature set to convene in special session on Tuesday, April 19, we would like to provide an update on redistricting and outline the process moving forward.

As you are aware, for the first time in nearly a century, the state legislative maps passed during the regular session were not challenged by a single party and were declared valid by the Florida Supreme Court. Subsequently, as required by CS/SJR 100, the Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research made the geographical information systems maps and block equivalency files for the newly enacted state legislative districts available on its [website](#). This information also remains available on the Legislature's Joint Redistricting [website](#).

Under the process laid out in the state constitution, unlike state legislative maps, there is no mandatory review by the Florida Supreme Court for congressional maps. Like other general bills, the Governor has a role in establishing congressional districts of the state. Therefore, our goal during the special session is to pass a new congressional map that will both earn the Governor's signature and withstand legal scrutiny, if challenged.

At this time, Legislative reapportionment staff is not drafting or producing a map for introduction during the special session. We are awaiting a communication from the Governor's Office with a map that he will support. Our intention is to provide the Governor's Office opportunities to present that information before House and Senate redistricting committees.

We look forward to working with you next week as we complete our constitutional obligation for the 2022 redistricting process.