

## THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE



STEVE CRISAFULLI Speaker of the House of Representatives

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## MEMORANDUM

To:	Chairman Bill Galvano
	Chairman Jose Oliva

**From**: Jay Ferrin, Staff Director of the Senate Committee on Reapportionment Jason Poreda, Staff Director of the House Select Committee on Redistricting Jeff Takacs, Special Advisor for the House Select Committee on Redistricting

**Date**: October 14, 2015

**Subject**: Senate Base Maps for Special Session 2015C

At the direction of Senate President Gardiner and House Speaker Crisafulli, we have worked collaboratively with House and Senate legal counsel to develop six base maps for State Senate districts. In drawing the base maps, we tried to faithfully apply one of two methodologies, and have drawn three maps that we believe reflect each of those methodologies. We used the two methodologies as directed by counsel and provided to us in their September 22, 2015 Memorandum. A copy of that Memorandum on Methodologies for Drawing Senate Base Maps is attached for your convenience. Below are the base maps ordered under their respective methodology:

<u>Methodology 1</u>	<u>Methodology 2</u>
Plan S000S9070	Plan S000S9076
Plan S000S9072	Plan S000S9078
Plan S000S9074	Plan S000S9080

Each base map we have produced is attached, along with a series of statistical reports and a functional analysis of districts that provide minority groups with opportunities for representation in the Florida Senate. Each map, the same corresponding statistical package, and additional reports and downloads are available on the respective House and Senate webpages (www.flsenate.gov/session/redistricting and www.floridaredistricting.org).

We believe each map complies with the relevant legal standards contained in the Florida Constitution and federal law, including the Florida Supreme Court's recent interpretations of Tier 1 and Tier 2 of Article III, Sections 20 and 21. The district numbers on each map are simply placeholders until the Legislature establishes how the districts should be numbered.

Each base map was developed solely by staff, in collaboration with counsel, and without the participation of any member of the Legislature. Since the drafting process began, no information

concerning the details of any base map or its earlier iterations were provided to anyone other than the map drawing staff and counsel, and no legislator, political consultant, or member of the public has attempted to influence us in the drawing of the base maps. At no time was any political data considered outside the context of a functional analysis of a minority opportunity district.

Map drawing staff recorded every meeting where the drawing of district lines was discussed or conducted, including our meetings with counsel where we sought advice and counsel provided direction. We are in the process of assembling those recordings along with the drafts and artifacts from the base map drawing process and will post all of those materials for the members and the public as soon as they are available.

We look forward to presenting the base maps at the concurrent meeting of the House and Senate Committees on Monday, October 19. In the meantime, we are available to answer questions.