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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Gelber moved the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 22 - 44
and insert:
population. District boundaries shall, whenever, feasible,
follow existing, city, county, political, or geographical
boundaries. District boundaries and plans shall be drawn in a
manner that respects communities of common interests other than
political parties and that does not deny citizen rights to
express favor or disfavor for incumbents or political parties.
District boundaries and plans shall be drawn in a manner that
does not deny or diminish opportunities for racial or language
minorities to participate in the political process and elect



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14 candidates of their choice. The legislature shall balance and
15 apply standards in this constitution to establish senatorial,
16 representative, and congressional districts, giving priority to
17 the standards in this section. District boundaries or plans are
18 valid if drawn in a manner that is rationally related to the
19 standards in this constitution and consistent with federal law.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
21 placed on the ballot:

22 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

23 ARTICLE III, SECTION 20

24 STANDARDS FOR THE LEGISLATURE TO FOLLOW IN LEGISLATIVE AND
25 CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING.—Contiguous single-member districts
26 shall be drawn to: (1) equalize population, (2) follow existing,
27 city, county, political, or geographical boundaries whenever
28 feasible, (3) respect communities of common interests, (4) not
29 deny citizen rights to express favor or disfavor for incumbents
30 or political parties, and (5) not deny or diminish opportunities
31 for racial or