

SENATE BILL 779

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-103, relative to state representative districts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-103(a)(1), is amended by deleting "2010" and substituting "2020".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-103, is amended by deleting subdivision (b)(3) and substituting the following:

(3) Geographic areas, boundaries, and population counts used for redistricting shall be based on the 2020 federal decennial census;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-103, is amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting the following:

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed as depriving any member of the house of representatives of the One Hundred Twelfth General Assembly of such member's office, or as affecting or modifying the constitutional requirements of the provisions of Article II, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee. At the November 2022 general election, and thereafter until changed by law, representatives shall be elected to represent the districts as constituted and provided by this section. If a seat of a member of the House of Representatives becomes vacant prior to the general election in November 2022, in accordance with Article II, Section 15(b) of the Constitution of Tennessee, a successor shall be elected by the county legislative body to represent the district as constituted and provided prior to the effective date of this act.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.