



*** ACTION ALERT ***

The following bill is placed on the intent calendar for a vote in the Senate.

**Redistricting
SB315 (Wentworth)
Support**

League Members: Contact your State Senator urging a **YES** vote for Wentworth's SB315 redistricting bill.

When: Now

Background: This bill will create a nine member bi-partisan commission of non-elected members to draw boundaries for Congressional Districts.

The League places a high priority on the establishment of an independent bi-partisan commission with a goal of making the redistricting fair, orderly, and less partisan.

The commission will be made up of members who are non-elected and not running for office. The Legislature will still approve the final plan.

What to say or write:

This bill would establish an independent, bi-partisan commission with a goal of making redistricting fair, orderly, and less partisan.

A bipartisan independent commission to draw Congressional boundaries would prevent the partisan wrangling and other difficulties of the past.

An independent redistricting commission would improve the fairness of the process and further protect the rights of the voter by ensuring the equal weight of each vote.

Where to find the phone number or email address of your Texas Senator:

www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us

For more information refer to the Advocacy Paper on Redistricting (February 2009) www.lwvtexas.org/ADV/2009AdvPaper-Redistricting.pdf

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