



## **Legislative Priority – Redistricting Reform 2021**

*LWVNM supports a redistricting process and standards that provide the people with a meaningful choice in electing their representatives and facilitate holding government accountable.*

*LWVNM supports*

<b>SB199</b>	<b>Redistricting Act</b>	<b>Senators Moores &amp; Ortiz y Pino</b>
<b>HB211</b>	<b>Redistricting Act</b>	<b>Representatives Rebecca Dow &amp; Natalie Figueroa - plus 30 more</b>

### **What do SB199 and HB211 do?**

They create the Temporary Redistricting Advisory Commission. The commission would work with the professional services vendor hired by the Legislative Council to develop two to five sets of districts maps for: the congressional districts, the Public Education Commission, the New Mexico Senate, and the New Mexico House.

SB199 & HB211 state that political subdivisions, contiguity, and compactness are the priorities in redistricting. They also prohibit certain factors from being considered when preparing redistricting plans. Specifically, they provide that districts shall not be drawn to favor any political party, incumbent legislator, member of Congress, or any other person or group, or for the purpose of augmenting or diluting the voting strength of a language or racial minority group.

<b>SB4</b>	<b>Redistricting Precinct Changes</b>	<b>Senator Daniel Ivey-Soto</b>
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This bill increases the number of precincts based upon the 2020 election turnout and other factors. It also sets calendar day requirements for when certain phases of redistricting will be done rather than set dates. This is important due to the delayed delivery of the federal census data to the states.

*LWVNM Opposes:*

<b>SB15</b>	<b>Redistricting Committee</b>	<b>Senator Daniel Ivey-Soto</b>
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SB15 establishes a redistricting committee made up of only legislators. This is the process that has failed so miserably over the last 30 years. That has led to the courts drawing up the maps and an erosion of public trust in the political process.