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*A COMPARATIVE OVERVIEW OF
CALIFORNIA REDISTRICTING
REFORM PROPOSALS IN 2007*

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Introduction

The Center for Governmental Studies (CGS), a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to the development of sound public policy in the areas of political reform and civic engagement, has compiled the following comparative overview of California's 2007 redistricting reform proposals in chart form to assist legislators, the media and interested citizens in understanding the major provisions of current legislative and ballot initiative proposals. The overview outlines the major provisions of the following:

- Assembly Constitutional Amendment 1 (ACA 1), sponsored by Speaker of the California State Assembly Fabian Nuñez and Assembly Elections Committee Chair Curren Price
- Senate Constitutional Amendment 9 (SCA 9), sponsored by Senator Roy Ashburn (R-Bakersfield)
- Senate Constitutional Amendment 10 (SCA 10), sponsored by Senator Alan Lowenthal (D-Long Beach)
- Citizens Fair Districts Act, a ballot initiative currently in circulation, submitted by attorney Barry Fadem on behalf of a coalition of public interest groups
- The ideal redistricting plan developed by CGS and other civic organizations

CGS has over 20 years of experience in policy research and analysis in the area of California governance. During the last two years, CGS has partnered with Dēmos in the production of two redistricting reform publications, *Drawing Lines: A Public Interest Guide to Real Redistricting Reform* and *Re-Drawing Lines: A Public Interest Analysis of California's 2006 Redistricting Reform Proposals*. In 2005, CGS also developed a model redistricting law (the model law and both publications are available on the CGS website, www.cgs.org).

Drawing Lines and *Re-Drawing Lines* both cover several aspects of redistricting reform. *Drawing Lines* establishes overarching goals for redistricting, recommends specific commission characteristics, compares and analyzes 2005 reform measures and critically assesses the ability of those measures to fulfill public interest redistricting goals. Based on the earlier work of *Drawing Lines*, *Re-Drawing Lines* provides an overview of redistricting reform principles, enumerates the concerns surrounding legislative control of the redistricting process, reviews the history of California's 2005 reform efforts and provides an overall evaluation of 2006 reform measures.

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The following analysis builds upon the work of CGS in the area of redistricting reform. For more information or to order publications, please contact our California Governance Project Manager, Shakari Byerly, at (310) 470-6590, extension 120 or sbyerly@cgs.org.

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A. Overview of Redistricting Commission Proposals

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
|---|------------------|---|-----------------------|--|----------------|
| Are major parties guaranteed equal representation on the commission? | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Are citizens with conflicts of interest prohibited from serving on the commission? | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Are commission members selected by the legislature? | No | Yes Governor also makes appointments | Partially (8 of 11) | No | No |
| Is the commission likely to reflect California's diversity? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Are the boundaries of neighborhoods, communities, cities and counties likely to be respected? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Will the commission draw boundary lines for congressional districts? | Yes | Yes | Yes | No, legislature does the reapportionment | Yes |
| Are all commission meetings required to be open to the public? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Are most of the commission's data and documents to be made public? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Is the commission likely to receive adequate funding to meet its objectives? | Yes | Uncertain | Uncertain | Uncertain | Yes |
| Will the commission's proposals be implemented without requiring an additional legislative or popular vote? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

B. Redistricting Commission Membership Provisions

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| Type of members | Citizens | Political appointees | Citizens | Citizens | Citizens |
| Number of members | 11 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 11 (or more) |
| Voting requirement | Balanced majority of 6 (2 Dems/2 Reps/ 2 Independents) | Balanced supermajority of 7 (At least 3 Dems/3 Reps) | Balanced majority of 6 (At least 1 Dem/1 Rep/ 1 Independent) | Balanced majority of 6 (At least 1 Dem/1 Rep/ 1 Independent) | Balanced majority of 6 (At least 1 Dem/1 Rep/ 1 Independent) |
| Requires equal commission representation of two largest political parties | Yes | No However, no more than 4 members shall be registered as members of the same party | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Disqualifying past experience | Provisions apply to commissioners and their family members Provisions apply to experience in the past 10 years Disqualifying Experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Election, candidacy or appointment to public office - Officeholder in political party - Officer, employee or paid consultant of candidate or party campaign committee - Election or appointment to party central committee - <u>No provision regarding campaign contributions</u> - Financial interest or family relationship governor, congressional member, state legislator or BOE member | No provisions for disqualifying past experience | Provisions apply to commissioners and their family members Provisions apply to experience in the past 3 years Disqualifying Experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Election, candidacy or appointment to public office - Officeholder in political party - <u>No provision regarding party central committee involvement</u> | Provisions apply to commissioners and their family members Provisions apply to experience in the past 3 years Disqualifying Experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Election, candidacy or appointment to public office - Officeholder in political party - <u>No provision regarding party central committee involvement</u> | Provisions apply to commissioners and their family members Provisions apply to experience in the past 10 years Disqualifying Experience: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Election, candidacy or appointment to public office - Officeholder in political party - Election or appointment to party central committee - Contributor of \$10,000 or more in total contributions to candidates for governor, US Congress, State Legislature or BOE - Financial interest or family relationship with the governor, congressional member, state legislator or BOE member |

B. Redistricting Commission Membership Provisions *(continued)*

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Disqualifying past experience | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legislative, congressional or BOE staff member or consultant under contract with either <p>In past 10 years, having registered as federal, state or local lobbyist or employee or consultant of registered lobbyist</p> <p><u>No provision related to changes in partisan affiliation</u></p> | No provisions for disqualifying past experience | <p>Not under 3 year exclusion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contributor of \$10,000 or more to, or has a financial relationship with, or is immediate family member of the governor, congressional member, state legislator or BOE member - Legislative or congressional staff member or consultant under contract with legislature <p>In past 3 years, having registered as a lobbyist or employee or consultant of registered lobbyist</p> <p>In past 3 years, having changed partisan affiliation</p> | <p>Not under 3 year exclusion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contributor of \$10,000 or more to, or has a financial relationship with, or is immediate family member of the governor, state legislator or BOE member - Legislative staff members consultants and those under contract with legislature <p>In past 3 years, having registered as a lobbyist or employee or consultant of registered lobbyist</p> <p>In past 3 years, having changed partisan affiliation</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legislative, congressional or BOE staff member or consultant under contract with either <p>In the past 5 years, having registered as a lobbyist or employee or consultant of registered lobbyist</p> <p>In past 3 years, having changed partisan affiliation</p> |
| Limitations on future public service | <p>Ineligible during term of service and for 3 years after to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hold elective office - Be appointed by an elected official to a paid public position - Register as a lobbyist - Work as staff, counsel, consultant or contractor to the governor, legislature, member of Congress or state BOE member <p>Commissioners serve until the next commission is appointed, effectively 10 years</p> | <p>Ineligible during term of service and for three years following the adoption of redistricting plan, whichever is longer, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hold elective public office - Be appointed to public office for which an elected official or entity within legislature has appointing authority, and for which economic consideration is provided - Register as a lobbyist <p>Members of Little Hoover Commission serve 4-year terms</p> | <p>Ineligible during term of service and for 3 years after to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hold elective public office - <u>No provision regarding appointed positions</u> - Register as a lobbyist <p>Commissioners serve until the next commission is appointed, effectively 10 years</p> | <p>Ineligible during term of service and for 3 years after to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hold elective public office - <u>No provision regarding appointed positions</u> - Register as a lobbyist <p>Although term of service not explicitly stated, appointment of commission occurs only once per decade</p> | <p>Ineligible to run in districts created by the commission or to work for those holding such offices while the adopted plan is in effect and for 3 years after</p> <p>Ineligible for appointment by governor, member of legislature, congress or BOE to paid public position</p> <p>Ineligible to register as a lobbyist for 3 years after serving</p> <p>Commissioners serve until the next commission is appointed, effectively 10 years</p> |

C. Measures of Independence and Compensation

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Nomination and appointment by a body independent of the legislature and governor | Yes | No | Partially, Independents chosen by random selection | Yes | Yes |
| Funding | Minimum of \$3 million or the amount spent in the last redistricting process, whichever is greater, adjusted by Consumer Price Index Legislature shall augment minimum funding by an amount, determined by the Legislative Analyst and Department of Finance, necessary for the commission to carry out its duties | Proposed by governor and decided upon by the legislature as an annual appropriation within budget act beginning in 2010 | Proposed by governor and decided upon by the legislature as an annual appropriation within budget act beginning in 2009 | Proposed by governor and decided upon by the legislature as an annual appropriation within budget act beginning in 2010 | \$5 million, adjusted by the Consumer Price Index, which may be supplemented, but not reduced by the legislature |
| Compensation | \$300 for each day of involvement in conduct of commission's business, adjusted by the Consumer Price Index Reimbursement for personal expenses incurred in conduct of commission's business | Commissioners serve without compensation Reimbursement provided for all necessary expenses actually incurred in performance of duties | Commissioners serve without compensation Reimbursement for personal expenses incurred in the conduct of commission's business | Applies to both commissioners and nominating panel \$150 for each day of attendance at a meeting of panel or commission Reimbursement for actual and necessary traveling expenses incurred in conduct of panel or commission's business | Applies to both commissioners and nominating panel \$300 for each day of involvement in conduct of panel's or commission's business, adjusted by the Consumer Price Index Reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in conduct of panel or commission's business |

D. Appointment Process

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Candidate pool selection process | Random selection of registered voters who are then invited by the Secretary of State to apply to serve Secretary of State establishes final pool after a series of screenings | Not applicable The 9 public members of the Little Hoover Commission constitute the commission | Panel of 10 retired judges establishes a pool of 55 candidates | Panel of 10 retired judges establishes a pool of 55 candidates | Panel of retired judges or retired county and city clerks establishes a pool of 75 qualified candidates |
| Candidate pool composition | Initial pool consists of 10 nominees from each Assembly District Final pool consists of 40 nominees from each of the two largest parties and 40 nominees not affiliated with either of the two largest parties | Not applicable Public members of the commission are direct political appointees | 20 candidates registered with each of the two largest parties and 15 not registered with either of the two largest parties | 20 candidates registered with each of the two largest parties and 15 not registered with either of the two largest parties | 25 candidates registered with each of the two largest parties and 25 not registered with either of the two largest parties |
| Candidate pool diversity requirements | Secretary of State shall ensure that each stage of selection process promotes the purpose of achieving a commission reasonably representative of state's diversity, including racial, ethnic, geographic and gender diversity | Not applicable Legislature shall establish, by statute, procedures to ensure public members of Little Hoover Commission are representative of state's diversity, including racial, ethnic, geographic and gender diversity | All involved with selection process shall work to ensure panelists, pool of candidates and commissioners, as applicable, are representative of state's racial, ethnic, cultural, geographic and gender diversity | All involved with selection process shall work to ensure panelists, pool of candidates and commissioners, as applicable, are representative of state's racial, ethnic, cultural, geographic and gender diversity | Selection process shall be designed to ensure that panelists, pool of candidates and commissioners are reasonably representative of state's racial, ethnic, geographic and gender diversity |

D. Appointment Process *(continued)*

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Legislative leaders' procedure for nomination or peremptory challenge of nominees | <p>Legislative leaders given two opportunities to screen pool of nominees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Each leader may strike up to 20% of initial pool - Each leader may strike up to 12 nominees from final pool <p>Leaders are also given opportunity to object to composition of commission after final selection for lack of diversity</p> | <p>Not applicable</p> <p>Governor and legislature directly appoint public members to Little Hoover Commission</p> | <p>Each of the 4 legislative leaders may strike up to 2 candidates</p> | <p>Each of the 4 legislative leaders may strike up to 4 candidates</p> | <p>Each of the 4 legislative leaders may strike up to 2 candidates from each major party and up to 2 candidates registered with neither major party for a total of 6 strikes per legislative leader</p> |
| Final selection | <p>After screening by legislative leaders, Secretary of State randomly selects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4 commissioners affiliated with each of the two largest parties and 3 commissioners not affiliated with either of the two largest parties from the remaining pool <p>If any three of the legislative leaders object to the composition of the commission for lack of diversity, all names are returned to final pool for another round of random selection</p> | <p>Public members of Little Hoover Commission are appointed as follows*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governor appoints 5 members, (as specified by ACA 1, one of the 5 must be unaffiliated with either of the 2 largest political parties) - Speaker of the Assembly appoints 2 members - Senate Rules Committee appoints 2 members <p>Legislature shall establish, by statute, procedures necessary to provide that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public members represent state's diversity - Each public member has been continuously registered under same political affiliation over preceding 3 years - No more than 4 members are registered with the same party | <p>Each of the 4 legislative leaders may select two candidates affiliated with their party from the list of nominees</p> <p>The Fair Political Practices Commission appoints by random selection the three remaining commissioners, neither of whom may be registered with either of the two largest parties</p> | <p>Fair Political Practices Commission appoint by random selection 4 commissioners affiliated with each of the two largest parties and 3 commissioners not affiliated with either of the two largest parties</p> | <p>4 commissioners affiliated with each of the two largest parties and 3 commissioners not affiliated with either of the two largest parties are randomly selected from the remaining candidate pool</p> |

*Note: In the event that the governor and the Senate and Assembly majority all share the same partisan affiliation, all the appointments will be made by members of the same party.

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E. Redistricting Criteria

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| Explicitly prioritizes criteria | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Guidance provided on defining redistricting criteria | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| Voting Rights Act compliance explicitly referenced | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Population equality standard | Equal population required, except where deviation is necessary for compliance with Voting Rights Act and allowable by law | Equal population required, except as otherwise required or permitted by judicial decision | Congressional Districts: Equal population with other districts for same office in compliance with US Constitution Legislative and BOE Districts: Equal population with other districts for same office required to extent practicable, in compliance with US Constitution | Congressional Districts: Population of all districts shall be reasonably equal Legislative and BOE Districts: Equal population with other districts of the same type required to the extent practicable, in compliance with the US Constitution | Congressional Districts: Equal population required in compliance with the US Constitution Legislative and BOE Districts: Equal population with other districts of the same type required to the extent practicable, in compliance with the US Constitution |
| Nesting required | No | No | No | No | To be favored where doing so would create no significant detriment to other listed criteria |
| Contiguity required | Yes | Yes | Yes | Congressional: Yes Legislative and BOE: Yes, to extent practicable | Yes, to extent practicable |
| Geographically compact districts required | Yes, to extent it does not conflict with other criteria Lowest Priority Guideline: Nearby areas of population shall not be bypassed for more distant populations | Yes, districts shall be reasonably geographically compact Lowest Priority <u>No guidelines provided</u> | Yes, to extent practicable Lowest Priority <u>No guidelines provided</u> | Congressional: No Legislative and BOE: Yes, to extent practicable Lowest Priority <u>No guidelines provided</u> | Yes, where doing so would create no significant detriment to other listed criteria Lowest Priority Guideline: Nearby areas of population shall not be bypassed for more distant populations |

E. Redistricting Criteria *(continued)*

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Requires conforming to geographic and political lines | Districts must first be created to respect county boundaries Counties may only be divided or fragmented in consideration of communities of interest and city boundaries | Yes City and county boundaries and visible geographic boundaries respected to extent practicable Prioritized below communities of interest | Yes District lines shall use visible geographic features and city and county boundaries to extent practicable Prioritized below communities of interest | Congressional: Yes Geographical integrity of city, county and geographical region respected to extent possible Legislative and BOE: Yes, visible and geographic features and city and county boundaries respected to extent practicable Prioritized below communities of interest | Yes City and county boundaries features respected in balance with communities of interest Visible geographic features should be respected if associate with relevant community of interest Prioritized below or on par with communities of interest |
| Respect for communities of interest included among criteria | Yes Defined as a group of residents who share similar interests, including but not limited to, neighborhood, social, cultural, ethnic, geographic or economic interests | Yes Defined as residents who share similar interests, including, but not limited to social, cultural, ethnic, geographic or economic interests, formal governmental or quasi-governmental relationships, but not including political parties, incumbents or candidates | Yes, undefined | Yes, undefined | Yes Defined as a group of residents who share similar interests including, but not limited to, neighborhood, social, cultural, ethnic, geographic or economic interests, but not including political parties, incumbents or candidates |
| Requires undivided census blocks | Yes | Not included among criteria | Not included among criteria | Not included among criteria | Yes, but not necessary to include among criteria |
| Competition | Not included in provisions of the measure | Not included in provisions of the measure | Not included in provisions of the measure | Not included in provisions of the measure | To be favored where doing so would create no significant detriment to the other listed goals |

E. Redistricting Criteria *(continued)*

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Availability of partisan registration or voting history data and restrictions on incumbent and candidate residence information | <p>No ban on partisan registration or voting history data</p> <p>Residence of incumbents may not be considered in creation of map</p> <p>Districts shall not be drawn to favor incumbents or partisan interests</p> | <p>No ban on partisan registration or voting history</p> <p>Residence of incumbents or candidates may not be considered in creation of maps, except to comply with criteria</p> | <p>No ban on partisan registration or voting history</p> <p>No provision regarding residence of incumbents</p> | <p>Party registration and voting history data shall be excluded from the mapping process</p> <p>Residence of incumbents or candidates may not be identified or considered in the creation of maps</p> | <p>Voter information may be used to ensure compliance with criteria only</p> <p>Residence of incumbents or candidates may not be considered in creation of map</p> <p>Districts shall not be drawn to favor incumbents or partisan interests</p> |
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F. Transparency and Public Accountability Provisions

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| Will commission be governed by Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Are <i>ex parte</i> communications prohibited? | Yes, except between commission members, staff and legal counsel | Yes, except for written communications with prompt disclosure, and between commission members, staff, and legal counsel | Yes, except between commission members, staff and legal counsel | Yes, except between commission members, staff and legal counsel | Yes, except between commission members, staff and legal counsel |
| Are transcripts, data and documents required to be publicly available? | Yes, yes without restriction | Yes, without restriction | Yes, with restrictions Commission may withhold preliminary drafts, notes and communications between commission members, staff and consultants | Yes, but with restrictions Commission may withhold preliminary drafts, notes and communications between commission members, staff and consultants | Yes, with minimal restriction Communications between commissioners and staff should be made public after final plan is proposed |
| Public hearings requirements | Commission shall establish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedule of open noticed hearings - Procedures for submission of plans and written comments to the commission Hearings must take place in various regions throughout state at the following stages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before the drawing of initial maps - After the drawing and display of maps | Commission shall establish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedule of open noticed hearings Hearings must take place in several different geographic areas of state and at each stage of the process including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before a draft plan is created - After drawing of maps - After a final plan is developed | Commission shall establish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedule of open noticed hearings - A plan to make census data and mapping software available to the public Hearing process includes at least 3 stages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before the drawing of initial maps - Following drawing of each proposed map - Following the display of final maps | Commission shall establish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedule of open noticed hearings - A plan to make census data and mapping software available to the public Hearing process includes at least 3 stages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before the drawing of initial maps - Following drawing of each proposed map - Following the display of final maps | Commission shall establish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedule of open noticed hearings - Procedures for submission of plans and written comments to the commission - A plan to make census data and mapping software available to the public Hearings must take place in several different geographic areas of state and at each stage of the process including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before a draft plan is created - Following drawing of each proposed map - After a final plan is developed - Upon any significant changes to the final plan |

F. Transparency and Public Accountability Provisions *(continued)*

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
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| Minimum public comment and display periods | Any map(s) subject to a vote shall be on display a minimum of 14 days | Public comment must be taken for at least 30 days after display of initial and final plan, unless deemed not practicable by commission | At first two stages, public comment must be taken for at least 30 days from date of public display | At first two stages, public comment must be taken for at least 30 days from date of public display | Public comment must be taken for at least 30 days after display of initial plan or after significant changes to proposed plan Final plan must be on display at least 14 days before approval |
| Involvement of public in presenting plans | Any member of the public may submit a complete or partial plan | Although public may comment on commission maps, submission of complete or partial plans by members of public is not explicitly stated Senate, Assembly, Congress, BOE, other officeholders, counties, cities may make recommendations, which commission must consider | Public provided access to data and mapping software for purpose of public input Either the Senate or Assembly, or both may make recommendations by majority or minority report, which commission must consider | Public provided access to data and mapping software for purpose of public input Senate or Assembly, or both may make recommendations by majority or minority report, which commission must consider | Any member of the public may submit a complete or partial plan |

G. Procedures for Implementation and Review

| | FADEM INITIATIVE | ACA 1 (Nunez/Price) | SCA 10 (Lowenthal) | SCA 9 (Ashburn) | CGS IDEAL PLAN |
|---|---|------------------------|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Gubernatorial veto | No | No | No | No | No |
| Legislature votes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Citizens vote on final plan | No | No | No | No | No |
| Enactment timetable | After decennial census | After decennial census | After decennial census | After decennial census | After decennial census |
| Explicitly prohibits mid-decade redistricting | No, however, commission convened only once per decade and may not meet or incur expenses after the redistricting plan becomes final | Yes | No, however, commission convened only once per decade and may not meet or incur expenses after the redistricting plan becomes final | Yes | Yes |
| Appeal directly to the Supreme Court | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |