

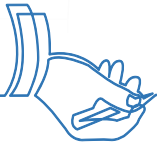
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# Redistricting in Mississippi

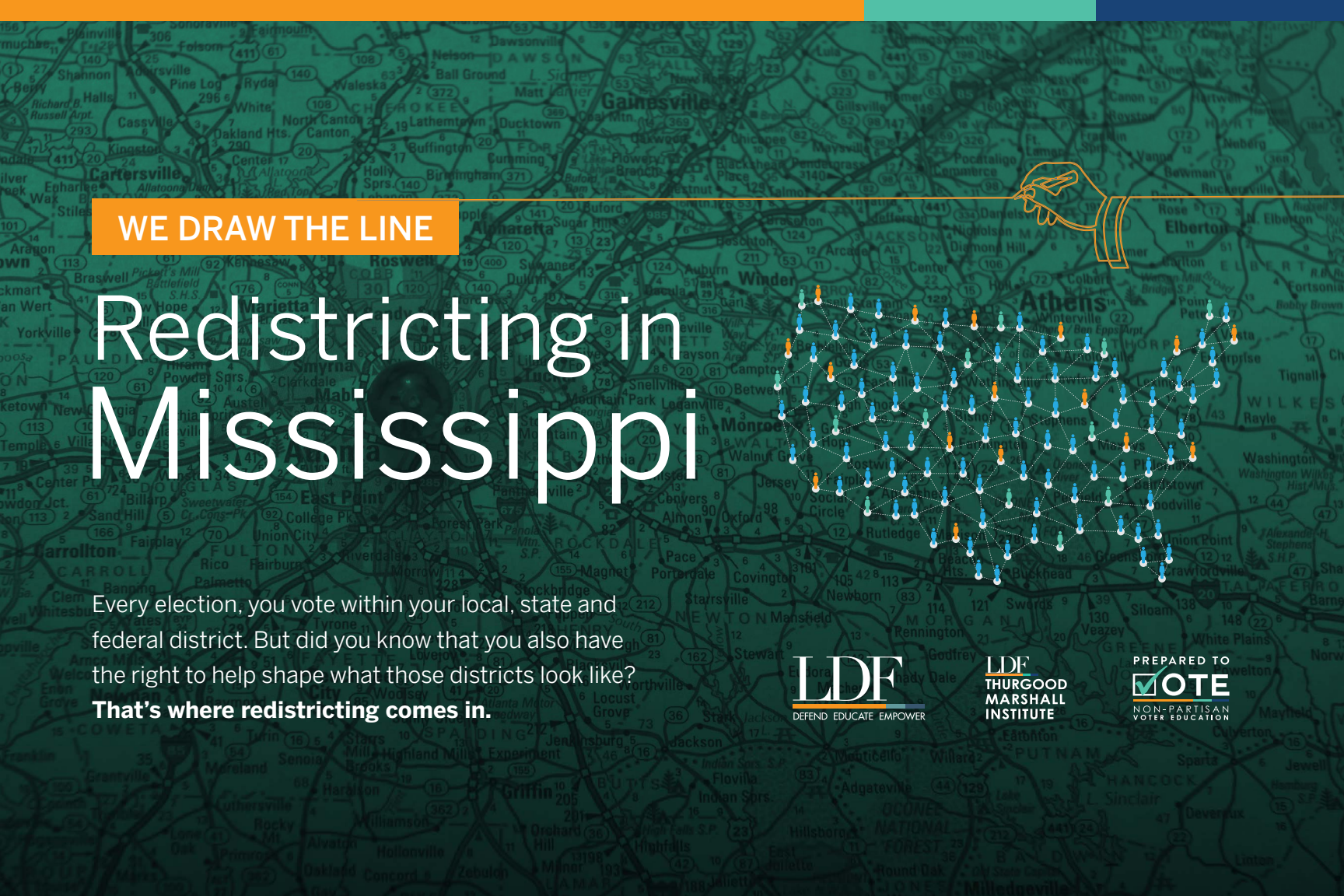
Every election, you vote within your local, state and federal district. But did you know that you also have the right to help shape what those districts look like?

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\* Deadlines subject to change based on Census delays.

|   | CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS   | LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS  |
|---|---|--|
| State constitutional & statutory restrictions | None  | Districts must be compact. Miss. Code Ann. § 5-3-101(a).<br>Districts must be contiguous. Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254; Miss. Code Ann. § 5-3-101(a).<br>Districts must follow political boundaries as nearly as possible. Miss. Code Ann. § 5-3-101.   |
| Number of districts                           | 2011-2021: 4<br>After reapportionment based on 2020 Census: 4   | Senate: 52. (Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254; Miss. Code Ann. § 5-1-3)<br>House: 122. (Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254; Miss. Code Ann. § 5-1-1)<br>Multimember districts? No<br>House districts nested within Senate districts? No  |
| Districting responsibility                    | State legislature. Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-1037.<br>Lieutenant Governor and Speaker of the House appoint members to a committee that must draw a plan and presents it to legislature and governor; legislature can also adopt its own plan. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 5-3-121, 5-3-123, 5-3-129. | State legislature or backup commission. Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254.<br>Lieutenant Governor and Speaker of the House appoint members to a committee that draws a plan and presents it to legislature, which can also adopt its own plan. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 5-3-91, 5-3-93, 5-3-103.<br>If no map is adopted by the end of the regular session or during a special apportionment session, the backup commission will decide the map. Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254.<br>Mid-decade redistricting is permitted. Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254. |
| May Governor veto?                            | Yes   | No   |
| Self-imposed state deadlines and enforcement* | The committee must submit the recommendation to the legislature no later than 30 days before the next regular session of legislature following the publishing of the census results, unless fewer than 4 months have passed since publication. Miss. Code Ann. § 5-3-123.                 | The committee must submit the plan to the legislature 15 days before the end of the regular session. Miss. Code Ann. § 5-3-93.<br>The legislative committees to which the plan is referred must submit recommendations to the overall legislature no later than 45 days into the session. Miss. Code Ann. § 5-3-103.<br>The final plan must be adopted by the end of the regular session in years ending in 2. Miss. Const. art. 13, § 254.  |
| Public Input                                  | No required public input, but the 2012 Mississippi Standing Joint Redistricting Committee adopted a public access policy: <a href="http://www.msjrc.state.ms.us/pdf/pub_access_notice_2012.pdf">http://www.msjrc.state.ms.us/pdf/pub_access_notice_2012.pdf</a>                           |  |