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Public Hearing  
HOUSE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE  
August 19, 1991  
9:18 AM

Pursuant to a notice posted on August 14, 1991, in accordance with the House Rules, the House Redistricting Committee met in a public hearing on August 19, 1991 and was called to order by the Chair, Representative Tom Uher, at 9:18 AM.

The roll was answered as follows:

PRESENT: Uher, Jones, Finnell, Grusendorf, Martinez, McCollough, Rodriguez, Russell (8).

ABSENT: Blair, Craddick, Earley, Marchant, Moreno, Seidlits, Wilson (7).

A quorum was present.

The Chair recognized Mr. Reby Cary who expressed support for Senator Bill Babin's congressional redistricting plan and keeping Tarrant County in District 12.

Representative Craddick now present.

Representative Blair now present.

The Chair recognized Mr. Jesse Gaines, member of the Fort Worth Chapter of the NAACP, who testified on the creation of a second minority district in the Dallas/Tarrant County area.

The Chair recognized The Honorable Judy McDonald, mayor of Nacogdoches, who testified on the redistricting of Nacagdoches County.

The Chair recognized Representative Keith Oakley of House District 4 who testified on the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Bob Kinnan who submitted a petition from the citizens of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Don Lindsay, mayor of the city of Terrell, who testified on the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Truman Welch, assistant superintendent of Terrell ISD, who testified on the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Donald Rabon, chairman of Terrell County Chamber of Commerce, who gave testimony on the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Danny Booth, president of the Terrell County Chamber of Commerce, who submitted a proposal for the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Ivan Johnson, Kaufman County Commissioner, who gave testimony regarding the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Mr. Floyd W. Shumpert who testified on the redistricting of Kaufman County.

The Chair recognized Congressman Ralph Hall of Congressional District 4 who presented testimony regarding East Texas.

The Chair recognized Mr. Jesse Jones who reiterated the statement he offered to the committee in July 1990.

The Chair recognized Mr. Marc Campos, consultant for Southwest Voter Registration and Education Project, who testified on the redistricting of Harris County.

The Chair recognized Representative Mario Gallegos of House District 143 who testified against the splitting of Galena Park and Jacinto City.

The Chair recognized Mr. William C. Owens who offered a statewide redistricting plan.

The Chair recognized Mr. Bob Slagle, Chairman of the Texas Democratic Party, who testified on congressional redistricting.

The Chair read into the record the written testimony of the following individuals:

Mr. Jack Jones, Terrell City Councilmember; Mr. Tommy Spencer, Terrell City Councilmember; Ms. Betty J. Brown, Kaufman County Republican Women; Ms. Mary Nan Foster, Kaufman County Republican Women; Mr. John Trayman, Kaufman City Manager; Mr. Chuck Cade, Crandall Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Marshall Park, Kaufman Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Johnny D. Countryman; Mr. Thomas; Mr. Robert Hulsey, Terrell Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Bill Black, Terrell Chamber of Commerce; Mr. George Mayfield, Kaufman County Commissioner; Mr. James A. Adams, Greater Crandall Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Johnathan L. Holland, Kaufman Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, Terrell City Manager; Ms. Catherine J. Lisenkee, Kaufman County Republican Party.

Representative Blair moved that the committee recess until 15 minutes after adjournment of the House.

The Committee was called to order by the Chair at 3:20 PM.

The roll was answered as follows:

PRESENT: Uher, Jones, Blair, Craddick, Earley, Finnell, Grusendorf, Marchant, Martinez, McCollough, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits, Wilson (15).

ABSENT: (0).

A quorum was present.

Representative Moreno recognized this meeting as the first meeting of the committee during the Second Called Session. He asked the record reflect the previous meeting of the committee that morning.

The Chair convened the committee at 3:20 PM.

Representative Grusendorf moved that testimony be added to the official record.

There being no objection, the motion was adopted.

Representative Seidlits now present.

Representative Grusendorf moved that the committee stand-at-ease, pending the arrival of additional witnesses.

There being no objection, the committee stood-at-ease.

The Chair called the committee to order at 3:31 PM.

The Chair recognized Representative David Swinford of House District 88 who testified on redistricting of the Panhandle.

Representative Earley now present.

Representative Jones moved that the committee stand-at-ease.

There being no objection, the committee stood-at-ease.

The Chair called the committee to order at 4:06 PM.

Representative Jones moved to conclude public testimony.

There being no objection, public testimony was concluded.

Representative Craddick now present.

The Chair laid out H.B. 33 and H.B. 1.

Representative Martinez now present.

Representative Russell now present.

The Chair laid out Amendment #1 by Uher and explained the amendment.

Representative Jones moved adoption of the Uher amendment.

There being no objection, the amendment was adopted.

The Chair laid out Amendment #2 by Uher and explained the amendment.

Representative Russell moved adoption of the Uher amendment.

There being no objection, the amendment was adopted.

The Chair laid out Amendment #3 by Uher/Martinez and explained the amendment.

Representative Martinez moved adoption of the Uher/Martinez amendment.

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Representative Wilson now present.

The Chair laid out Amendment #4 by Grusendorf and recognized Representative Grusendorf to explain the amendment.

Representative Grusendorf moved adoption of the amendment.

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYE: Jones, Grusendorf (2).

NAY: Uher, Craddick, Earley, Finnell, Marchant, Martinez, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits, Wilson (11).

PNV: McCollough (1).

ABSENT: Blair (1).

The Chair laid out Amendment #5 by Jones and recognized Representative Jones to explain the amendment.

Representative Jones moved adoption of the amendment.

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYE: Jones, Craddick, Grusendorf, Marchant (4).

NAY: Uher, Earley, Finnell, Martinez, McCollough, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits, Wilson (10).

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ABSENT: Blair (1).

The Chair laid out Amendment #6 by McCollough and asked Representative McCollough to explain the amendment.

Representative McCollough moved to adopt the amendment.

The amendment failed by a voice vote.

The Chair laid out Amendment #7 by Craddick and asked Representative Craddick to explain the amendment.

Representative Craddick moved to adopt the amendment.

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYE: Jones, Craddick, Grusendorf, Marchant (4).

NAY: Uher, Earley, Finnell, Martinez, McCollough, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits, Wilson (10).

PNV: Blair (1).

ABSENT: (0).

Representative Craddick offered H.B. 33 as a complete committee substitute to H.B. 1 and moved its adoption.

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYE: Jones, Craddick, Grusendorf, Marchant (4).

NAY: Uher, Earley, Finnell, Martinez, McCollough, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits, Wilson (10).

PNV: Blair (1).

ABSENT: (0).

Representative Russell moved that H.B. 1, as amended, be reported back to the full House with the recommendation that it do pass.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYE: Uher, Jones, Earley, Finnell, Martinez, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits, Wilson (10).

NAY: Blair, Craddick, Grusendorf, Marchant, McCollough (5).

PNV: (0).

ABSENT: (0).

Representative Jones moved to incorporate the adopted amendments into a complete committee substitute.

There being no objection, the motion was adopted.

The Chair directed the staff to do so.

Representative Jones moved that the staff be allowed to make technical corrections to the bill.

The being no objections, the motion was adopted.

The Chair laid out H.B. 2 and explained the measure.

The Chair recognized Representative Marchant, who offered an amendment to H.B. 2 and moved its adoption.

The motion failed by a voice vote.

The Chair recognized Representative Blair, who offered a statewide substitute for H.B. 2 and moved its adoption.

The motion failed by the following vote:

AYE: Blair, Moreno, Rodriguez, Wilson (4).

NAY: Uher, Jones, Craddick, Earley, Finnell, Grusendorf, Marchant, McCollough, Russell (9).

PNV: Seidlits (1).

ABSENT: Martinez (1).

Representative Russell moved that H.B. 2 be reported to the full House with the recommendation that it do pass.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

AYE: Uher, Jones, Earley, Finnell, McCollough, Moreno, Rodriguez, Russell, Seidlits (9).

NAY: Blair, Craddick, Marchant, Wilson (4).

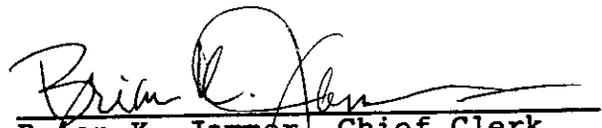
PNV: Grusendorf (1).

ABSENT: Martinez (1).

Representative Earley moved that the committee stand recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

There being no objection, the committee recessed.

  
"Tom" Uher, Chair

  
Brian K, Jammer, Chief Clerk