

**BILL NUMBER:**

**SPONSOR:**

**TITLE OF BILL:**

An act to amend the state law, in relation to establishing congressional districts; and to repeal article 7 of such law relating thereto

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this bill is to establish 26 congressional districts in New York State in accordance with a court order decision in the Anthony S. Hoffmann et al. v. New York State Independent Redistricting Commission et al.

**SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS:**

This bill repeals the existing Article 7 of State Law and adds a new Article 7 establishing new boundaries for New York State's 26 Congressional districts.

Vacancies in congressional districts shall be filled using the boundaries existing prior to this bill's enactment through January 1, 2025, at which time vacancies shall be filled using the new boundaries established by this act.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

On December 12, 2023, the New York State Court of Appeals ordered that the New York State Independent Redistricting Commission shall prepare a redistricting plan to establish new congressional districts and shall submit to the legislature such plan and the implementing legislation therefor on or before February 28, 2024.

This bill establishes new congressional districts for New York State. The districts are based on population figures from the 2020 Federal Census. All districts comply with the United States and New York State Constitutions as well as the requirements of the Federal Voting Rights Act.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

New bill.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This act shall take effect immediately.