Redistricting: School’s in Session

Tuesday, Jul. 31 | 1:30 pm-3:00 pm
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Speakers

Facilitator: Stanley Rosenberg, Massachusetts

Speaker: Jessica Ring Amunson, Jenner & Block LLP, Washington, D.C.

Speaker: Kimball Brace, Election Data Services Inc., Virginia

Speaker: Ben Collins, Legislative PEER, Mississippi

Speaker: Katherine McKnight, Baker Hostetler, Washington, D.C.
Did you know?

- Legislatures have sent voters ballot measures to revamp redistricting processes: Ohio (where voter approved in June) and Colorado (where voters will decide in November)

- Voters in Michigan and Utah will see citizens’ initiatives on redistricting in November too

- A citizen’s initiative in Missouri is still being processed for November
Did you know?

- Four states will account for prisoners at their home address—not the prison address
Did you know?

Traditional redistricting principles include:

- Compactness and contiguity
- Preservation of counties and other political subdivisions
- Preservation of communities of interest
- Preservation of cores of prior districts
- Avoiding pairing incumbents.

(Find out more at NCSL’s webpages, Redistricting Criteria and Redistricting Principles 2010 and Beyond)
Did you know?

Newer redistricting criterion include:

▪ Prohibitions on favoring or disfavoring an incumbent, candidate or party
▪ Prohibitions on using partisan data
▪ Competitiveness
▪ Proportionality (in Ohio only)

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Did you know?

- 13 states have commissions with primary responsibility for drawing *legislative maps*, and each one is unique.
- (7 of those draw congressional maps too)
Did you know?

- NCSL is preparing the 2020 edition of the “red book” on elections and redistricting policy - watch for it in early 2019!
Did you know?

NCSL will host five redistricting seminars coming up in 2019-2021. These intensive events are intended for legislative staff to help prepare you and your team for this once-a-decade task.

- June 20-23, 2019 I Providence, R.I.
- October 24-27, 2019 I Columbus, Ohio
- May 6-10, 2020 I Las Vegas, Nevada
- September 24-27, 2020 I Portland, Ore.
- January 2021 I Washington, D.C.
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Join NCSL analysts for a post-election discussion about what the outcome means for states, and what to expect in the upcoming legislative sessions.

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