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HOUSE MOTION _____

MR. SPEAKER:

I move that House Bill 1342 be amended to read as follows:

- 1 Page 1, line 15, delete "2031) or" and insert "**2031**);".
- 2 Page 1, delete line 16.
- 3 Page 4, line 13, delete "IC 36-2-2-4.1(c)" and insert "**IC**
- 4 **36-2-2-4.1**".
- 5 Page 6, line 28, strike "5(d)(2)" and insert "**5(e)**".
- 6 Page 7, delete lines 25 through 42, begin a new paragraph and
- 7 insert:
- 8 "SECTION 5. IC 36-2-2-4.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 9 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 10 1, 2026]: **Sec. 4.1. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2030.**
- 11 **(b) This subsection does not apply to a county having a**
- 12 **population of more than one hundred eighty-five thousand**
- 13 **(185,000) and less than three hundred thousand (300,000). The**
- 14 **executive shall adopt an ordinance to divide the county into three**
- 15 **(3) districts. The following apply to districts established or revised**
- 16 **under this subsection:**
- 17 **(1) The executive shall:**
- 18 **(A) publish proposed district boundaries; and**
- 19 **(B) hold a public hearing concerning proposed district**
- 20 **boundaries;**
- 21 **before adopting an ordinance to establish or revise districts.**

(2) Districts must be:

- (A) composed of contiguous territory; and**
- (B) reasonably compact.**

(3) District boundaries must:

- (A) not cross precinct boundary lines; and**
- (B) divide townships only when a division is clearly necessary to accomplish redistricting under this section.**

(4) When dividing the county into districts, the executive may consider:

- (A) geography; and**
- (B) the differences in population between each district.**

(c) This subsection applies to a county having a population of more than one hundred eighty-five thousand (185,000) and less than three hundred thousand (300,000) that opts in to the system of county government described in subsection (d), sections 4.7(c) and 5(e) of this chapter, IC 36-2-3-2(b), IC 36-2-3-4(c), and IC 36-2-3.5-1(2) by passing a resolution by a majority vote of its executive body not later than September 1, 2023. In the event the executive body of a county described in this subsection does not opt in by September 1, 2023, the county shall be governed by the general provisions of this chapter. The executive shall divide the county into three (3) single-member districts that comply with subsection (d).

(d) Single-member districts established under subsection (c) must:

- (1) be compact, subject only to natural boundary lines (such as railroads, major highways, rivers, creeks, parks, and major industrial complexes);**
- (2) contain, as nearly as is possible, equal population; and**
- (3) not cross precinct lines.**

(e) Except as provided by subsection (f), a division under subsection (b) or (c) shall be made only at times permitted under IC 3-5-10.

(f) If the county executive or county redistricting commission determines that a division under subsection (e) is not required, the county executive or county redistricting commission shall adopt an ordinance recertifying that the districts as drawn comply with this section.

(g) Each time there is a division under subsection (e) or a recertification under subsection (f), the county executive or county redistricting commission shall file with the circuit court clerk of the county, not later than thirty (30) days after the division or recertification occurs, a map of the district boundaries:

- (1) adopted under subsection (e); or**
- (2) recertified under subsection (f).**

(h) The limitations set forth in this section are part of the ordinance, but do not have to be specifically set forth in the

ordinance. The ordinance must be construed, if possible, to comply with this chapter. If a provision of the ordinance or an application of the ordinance violates this chapter, the invalidity does not affect the other provisions or applications of the ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. The provisions of the ordinance are severable.

(i) IC 3-5-10 applies to a plan established under this section."

Delete page 8.

Page 9, delete lines 1 through 29.

Page 10, delete lines 7 through 33, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 7. IC 36-2-2-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2025, SECTION 140, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 5. (a) To be eligible for election to the executive, a person must meet the qualifications prescribed by IC 3-8-1-21.

(b) A member of the executive must reside within:

- (1) the county as provided in Article 6, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana; and
- (2) the district from which the member was elected.

(c) If the person does not remain a resident of the county and district after taking office, the person forfeits the office. The county fiscal body shall declare the office vacant whenever a member of the executive forfeits office under this subsection.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e) or (f), all three (3) members of the executive shall be elected by the voters of the whole county.

~~(d)~~ (e) In a county having a population of

~~(1) more than four hundred fifty thousand (450,000) and less than seven hundred thousand (700,000); or~~

~~(2) more than one hundred eighty-five thousand (185,000) and less than three hundred thousand (300,000) that opts in to the system of county government as described in section 4(c) (before~~

~~its expiration on January 1, 2031) or 4.1(c) (after December 31, 2030) of this chapter,~~

one (1) member of the executive shall be elected by the voters of each of the three (3) single-member districts established under section 4(b), or 4(c) of this chapter **(before its expiration on January 1, 2031), or 4.1(c) (after December 31, 2030) of this chapter.** ~~In other counties, all three (3) members of the executive shall be elected by the voters of the whole county.~~

(f) The following apply in a county having a population of more than four hundred fifty thousand (450,000) and less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

- (1) In an election occurring before January 1, 2031, one (1) member of the executive shall be elected by the voters of each**

of the three (3) single-member districts established under section 4(b) of this chapter (before its expiration on January 1, 2031).

(2) In an election occurring after December 31, 2030, a member of the executive shall be elected by the voters of the whole county.

(3) Notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c), a member of the executive who was elected to the member's current term before January 1, 2031, does not need to reside within the district from which the member was elected.

This subsection expires July 1, 2035."

Page 11, line 1, delete "IC 36-2-2-4.1(d)" and insert "**IC 36-2-2-4.1(c)**".

Page 11, delete lines 3 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 9. IC 36-2-3-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.201-2023, SECTION 269, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 4. (a) This subsection does not apply to the following counties:

(1) A county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) and less than seven hundred thousand (700,000).

(2) A county having a population of more than one hundred eighty-five thousand (185,000) and less than three hundred thousand (300,000) that opts in to the system of county government as described in IC 36-2-2-4(c) **(before its expiration on January 1, 2031) or IC 36-2-2-4.1(c) (after December 31, 2030).**

The county executive shall, by ordinance, divide the county into four (4) single-member districts that comply with subsection (d). If necessary, the county auditor shall call a special meeting of the executive to establish or revise districts. One (1) member of the fiscal body shall be elected by the voters of each of the four (4) districts. Three (3) at-large members of the fiscal body shall be elected by the voters of the whole county.

(b) This subsection applies to a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) and less than seven hundred thousand (700,000). **Before January 1, 2031**, the county redistricting commission established under IC 36-2-2-4 **(before its expiration on January 1, 2031)** shall divide the county into seven (7) single-member districts that comply with subsection (d). **After December 31, 2030, the county executive shall, by ordinance, divide the county into seven (7) single-member districts that comply with subsection (d). If necessary, the county auditor shall call a special meeting of the executive to establish or revise districts.** One (1) member of the fiscal body shall be elected by the voters of each of these seven (7)

1 single-member districts.

2 (c) This subsection applies to a county having a population of more
3 than one hundred eighty-five thousand (185,000) and less than three
4 hundred thousand (300,000) that opts in to the system of county
5 government described in IC 36-2-2-4(c) **(before its expiration on**
6 **January 1, 2031) or IC 36-2-2-4.1(c) (after December 31, 2030).** The
7 fiscal body shall divide the county into nine (9) single-member districts
8 that comply with subsection (d). Three (3) of these districts must be
9 contained within each of the three (3) districts established under
10 IC 36-2-2-4(c) **(before its expiration on January 1, 2031) or**
11 **IC 36-2-2-4.1(c) (after December 31, 2030).** One (1) member of the
12 fiscal body shall be elected by the voters of each of these nine (9)
13 single-member districts.

14 (d) Single-member districts established under subsection (a), (b), or
15 (c) must:

16 (1) be compact and be composed of contiguous territory, subject
17 only to natural boundary lines (such as railroads, major highways,
18 rivers, creeks, parks, and major industrial complexes);

19 (2) not cross precinct boundary lines;

20 (3) contain, as nearly as possible, equal population; and

21 (4) include whole townships, except when a division is clearly
22 necessary to accomplish redistricting under this section.

23 (e) Except as provided by subsection (f), a division under subsection
24 (a), (b), or (c) shall be made only at times permitted under IC 3-5-10.

25 (f) If the county executive, county redistricting commission, or
26 county fiscal body determines that a division under subsection (e) is not
27 required, the county executive, county redistricting commission, or
28 county fiscal body shall adopt an ordinance recertifying that the
29 districts as drawn comply with this section.

30 (g) Each time there is a division under subsection (e) or a
31 recertification under subsection (f), the county executive, county
32 redistricting commission, or county fiscal body shall file with the
33 circuit court clerk of the county, not later than thirty (30) days after the
34 division or recertification occurs, a map of the district boundaries:

35 (1) adopted under subsection (e); or

36 (2) recertified under subsection (f).

37 (h) The limitations set forth in this section are part of the ordinance,
38 but do not have to be specifically set forth in the ordinance. The
39 ordinance must be construed, if possible, to comply with this chapter.
40 If a provision of the ordinance or an application of the ordinance
41 violates this chapter, the invalidity does not affect the other provisions
42 or applications of the ordinance that can be given effect without the
43 invalid provision or application. The provisions of the ordinance are
44 severable.

45 (i) IC 3-5-10 applies to a plan established under this section."

46 Page 12, delete lines 1 through 32.

- 1 Page 13, line 2, delete "IC 36-2-2-4.1(d)" and insert "**IC**
- 2 **36-2-2-4.1(c)**".
- 3 Page 13, line 13, delete "IC 36-2-2-4.1(d)" and insert "**IC**
- 4 **36-2-2-4.1**".
- 5 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
(Reference is to HB 1342 as printed January 22, 2026.)

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