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Revised Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Fenberg; Holbert Rep. Esgar; McKean	Bill Status:	Senate Appropriations
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Bill Topic: **ADJUST REDISTRICTING COMMISSION PROCEDURES**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill makes several process changes to allow nonpartisan staff of the state redistricting commissions to continue meeting legal deadlines while federal census data is delayed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. It increases state workload in FY 2021-22 only.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as amended by the Senate State, Veterans, and Military Affairs committee.

Summary of Legislation

This bill makes several changes to the state legislative and congressional redistricting process, for 2021 redistricting only, to adjust for delays in receiving final census data, as outlined below.

Redistricting plans. The bill allows nonpartisan staff to use preliminary summary datasets to prepare preliminary redistricting plans, in place of the final 2020 federal decennial census data. All subsequent staff plans submitted to the redistricting commissions or considered by the state Supreme Court must use the final census data, with required adjustments for prison populations.

Prison population data. Current law requires that, for redistricting purposes, the prison population be counted at their residential home address rather than the prison facility where they are incarcerated. This bill requires that nonpartisan staff adjust the final census data, as soon as practicable but no later than ten days following its receipt, to account for the home address of persons who are incarcerated.

State Expenditures

To make required adjustments to the final census data within a short deadline, the redistricting commissions will have increased workload to implement the bill. No additional appropriations are required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

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