

**ACT No. 623**

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 369

BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

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AN ACT

To enact Chapter 13-C of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:1945, relative to redistricting plans; to require the submission of redistricting plans in a specified format to the secretary of state; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Chapter 13-C of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S.18:1945, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

CHAPTER 13-C. REDISTRICTING PLAN SUBMISSIONS

§1945. Submission of redistricting plans to the secretary of state; required format

A. If a local governing body utilizes a geographic information system to develop its redistricting plan, the local governing body shall submit an electronic shapefile which reflects its redistricting plan to the secretary of state within ten business days of its adoption of the redistricting plan.

B. If a local governing body is unable to submit an electronic shapefile, the local governing body shall submit an ASCII, comma delimited block equivalency import file which indicates the census block assignments in accordance with its redistricting plan to the secretary of state within ten business days of its adoption of the redistricting plan.

C. For the purposes of this Section, "local governing body" shall include each parish governing authority, municipal governing authority, and school board.

1           Section 2. Each local governing body shall to the extent practicable transmit to the  
2           secretary of state in the manner prescribed by this Act each redistricting plan which is still  
3           in effect on the effective date of this Act no later than January 1, 2017.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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