## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 12**

Introduced by Kolterman, 24; Stinner, 48; Williams, 36.

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Committee: Redistricting

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to amend section 32-508,
- 2 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the number of
- 3 members of the Legislature; to repeal the original section; and to
- 4 declare an emergency.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 32-508, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 32-508 (1) Until legislation becomes effective to create a fiftieth
- 4 legislative district, the The State of Nebraska is divided into forty-
- 5 nine legislative districts as provided and described in sections 50-1153
- 6 and 50-1154. Beginning on the date legislation becomes effective to
- 7 create a fiftieth legislative district, the State of Nebraska is divided
- 8 into fifty legislative districts as provided in subsection (2) of this
- 9 section. The members of the Legislature from the even-numbered districts
- 10 shall be elected for terms of four years at the statewide general
- 11 election in 1994 and each four years thereafter except as otherwise
- 12 provided in subsection (2) of this section. The members of the
- 13 Legislature from the odd-numbered districts shall be elected for terms of
- 14 four years at the statewide general election in 1996 and each four years
- 15 thereafter. Candidates for the Legislature shall meet the qualifications
- 16 found in Article III, sections 8 and 9, of the Constitution of Nebraska.
- 17 The members of the Legislature shall be elected on the nonpartisan
- 18 ballot.
- 19 (2) The Legislature shall divide the state into fifty legislative
- 20 <u>districts</u>. The members of the Legislature elected or appointed prior to
- 21 the designation of such districts shall represent the newly established
- 22 legislative districts for the balance of their terms, with each member
- 23 representing the same numbered district to which he or she was elected or
- 24 appointed. The Governor shall appoint the member of the Legislature from
- 25 the newly established legislative district number 50 to serve until his
- 26 <u>or her successor is nominated at the primary election in 2022 and elected</u>
- 27 <u>at the general election in November 2022.</u>
- 28 Sec. 2. Original section 32-508, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 29 Nebraska, is repealed.
- 30 Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 31 passed and approved according to law.