

TO: Illinois residents and professional & advocate organizations
FROM: Senator Omar Aquino, Chair of the Senate Redistricting Committee
DATE: October 1, 2021
RE: Redistricting of Illinois Congressional Districts and Judicial Subcircuits

On August 12, 2021, the United States Census Bureau released the 2020 Census Public Law 94-171 population data to the States, including Illinois. According to the 2020 Census, Illinois has been apportioned 17 Congressional Districts. The General Assembly is tasked with redistricting congressional districts and pursuant to Public Act 101-0477, current judicial subcircuits.

The Senate Redistricting Committee will hold a series of public hearings to gather input and recommendations for potential adjustments to the legislative boundaries. The following hearings have been scheduled to date:

- **Friday, October 8 at 10 am** – Senate Hearing (in-person and virtual) at Oakton Community College, Room 1608/1610, 1600 Golf Road, Des Plaines, IL 60016
 - **Subject Matter: 2020 Census; the redistricting of Illinois Congressional Districts; and the redistricting of judicial subcircuits in Cook County**
- **Tuesday, October 12 at 2 pm.** – Senate Hearing (in-person and virtual) at Chicago State University, 4th Floor Board Room, Gwendolyn Brooks Library, 9501 South King Dr., Chicago, IL 60628
 - **Subject Matter: 2020 Census; the redistricting of Illinois Congressional Districts; and the redistricting of judicial subcircuits in Cook County**
- **Wednesday, October 13 at 4 pm** – Senate Hearing (Virtual Hearing – participants may testify at the hearing location or via Zoom) at Elgin Area Community College, Seigle Auditorium in Building E, 1700 Spartan Dr, Elgin, IL 60123
 - **Subject Matter: 2020 Census; the redistricting of Illinois Congressional Districts, the redistricting current judicial subcircuits in Kane, Lake, McHenry Boone, Winnebago, and Will Counties; and the potential creation of judicial subcircuits in counties with populations under 150,000**
- **Thursday, October 14 at Noon** – Senate Hearing (Virtual Hearing – participants may testify at the hearing location or via Zoom) in Illinois State Capitol in Room 409, Springfield, IL
 - **Subject Matter: 2020 Census; the redistricting of Illinois Congressional Districts; and the potential creation of judicial subcircuits in counties with populations under 150,000**
- **Friday, October 15 at 2 pm** – Senate Hearing (Virtual Hearing – participants may testify at the hearing location or via Zoom) in the Dunn Richmond Economic Center Conference Room 241 at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, 1740 Innovation Drive Carbondale, IL 62903
 - **Subject Matter: 2020 Census; the redistricting of Illinois Congressional Districts; and the potential creation of judicial subcircuits in counties with populations under 150,000**

We invite you to submit any redistricting plans, testimony, and hearing witnesses you wish to have considered. If you have any testimony you would like to present at a hearing, please let us know at which hearing you or your designated witness would like to testify and how much time will be needed. If you are interested in submitting a map for consideration, please feel free to use the redistricting portal at <https://www.ilsenateredistricting.com/draw-your-own-map> or to submit maps via email to the Senate Redistricting Committee at redistrictingcommittee@senatedem.ilga.gov

We look forward to continued engagement with you and other groups to enact congressional and judicial subcircuit maps that represent the rich diversity of Illinois.