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## Florida House of Representatives – House Redistricting Committee Redistricting Update – April 30, 2012

### Update on Preclearance Submissions for Redistricting

Today, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) “precleared” (approved) Florida’s enacted [state house](#), [congressional](#) and [state senate](#) maps. [Click here to see the approval letter from DOJ.](#)

What is preclearance? Five Florida counties are “covered jurisdictions under Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act (Collier, Hardee, Hendry, Hillsborough & Monroe counties). As such, any redistricting or election law change that affects those five counties must be submitted for preclearance with either the U.S. Department of Justice or the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia before it can take effect. You can learn more at DOJ’s website at [http://www.justice.gov/crt/about/vot/sec\\_5/about.php](http://www.justice.gov/crt/about/vot/sec_5/about.php).

### Florida Supreme Court Approves Revised State Senate Map

Last Friday, the Florida Supreme Court validated Florida’s revised state senate map, as redrawn by the Florida Legislature in a March 2012 extraordinary apportionment session. [Click here to read the April 27 opinion of the Court.](#) Note, the state senate map precleared is the same as the revised state senate map, as enacted by the Legislature on March 27 and validated by the Supreme Court of Florida on April 27.

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As always, please let us know if you have any questions or need for additional information.

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