

FINAL BILL REPORT

SCR 8421

AS PASSED LEGISLATURE

Brief Description: Making technical adjustments in the Congressional redistricting plan.

SPONSORS: Senators Hayner and Gaspard

BACKGROUND:

The Washington State Redistricting Commission submitted its first plan to the Legislature early in January. New technical information indicated that a number of persons in six congressional districts had been assigned inadvertently to incorrect census tracts. Some of these were personnel on a vessel which had been stationed near Bremerton when the census count was taken on April 1, 1990. In addition, some geographical territory had been assigned to tracts with noncontiguous boundaries.

The Legislature is authorized to amend a redistricting plan submitted by the commission by a two-thirds vote if it does not affect more than 2 percent of the affected congressional district. The commission requested that the Legislature make the necessary corrections.

SUMMARY:

The Redistricting Commission's congressional plan is amended by reassigning several specific blocks in the census tract definitions for Districts 1, 2, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	44	0
House	96	0