

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5643

AS OF FEBRUARY 15, 1993

Brief Description: Requiring voting precinct boundaries to be redrawn to conform to state law.

SPONSORS: Senators Cantu, Snyder and Winsley

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Staff: Barbara Howard (786-7410)

Hearing Dates: February 18, 1993

BACKGROUND:

Changes to the boundaries of voting precincts must follow visible, physical features delineated in U.S. Census Bureau maps. A change need not follow the Census maps unless it is necessitated by an annexation or incorporation and (1) the proposed boundary itself does not follow a visible, physical feature, or (2) election administration would be substantially impaired by the change. If election administration would be impaired by a boundary change, the county auditor must issue a statement giving the reasons of impairment.

SUMMARY:

The ability to avoid conforming voting precinct boundaries to U.S. Census map features because administration of elections would be impaired is deleted.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested