

#### **IC 3-3-4**

### **Chapter 4. General Provisions Relating to Establishing Congressional Districts**

#### **IC 3-3-4-1**

##### **Terms and references to geographic units**

Sec. 1. All terms and references to geographic units made in the descriptions of districts in this article:

- (1) have the same meanings as the terms have when used by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, in reporting the 2010 decennial census of Indiana as supplemented by geographic information compiled and documented by the legislative services agency; and
- (2) describe the same geographical boundaries as depicted by maps included in the GIS.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-2**

##### **"District"**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "district" refers to a district described in IC 3-3-5.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-3**

##### **"GIS"**

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "GIS" refers to the geographic information system maintained by the office that contains the following information:

- (1) Geographic and population information provided in the official census report to the state by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, in reporting the 2010 decennial census of Indiana.
- (2) Election history and supplemental geographic information compiled by the legislative services agency.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-4**

##### **"Office"**

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "office" refers to the office of census data of the legislative services agency.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-5**

##### **Resolution of inconsistent inclusions in congressional districts**

Sec. 5. (a) Any part of Indiana that has not been described as included in a district is included within the district that:

- (1) is contiguous to the part; and
  - (2) contains the least population of districts contiguous to that part according to the 2010 decennial census of Indiana.
- (b) If any part of Indiana is described as being in more than one

- (1) district, the part is included within the district that:
- (1) is one (1) of the districts in which the part is listed in IC 3-3-5, whichever is applicable;
  - (2) is contiguous to the part; and
  - (3) contains the least population according to the 2010 decennial census of Indiana.
- (c) If any part of Indiana:
- (1) is described in IC 3-3-5 as being in one (1) district; and
  - (2) is entirely surrounded by another district;
- the part shall be incorporated into the district that surrounds the part.
- (d) If any part of Indiana:
- (1) is described as being in one (1) district; and
  - (2) is not contiguous to another part of the district that contains the majority of the population in the district;
- the part is included with the contiguous district that contains the least population according to the 2010 decennial census of Indiana.
- As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-6**

##### **Treatment of geographic slivers**

Sec. 6. (a) As used in this section, "geographic sliver" means a polygon contained in the GIS resulting from the overlay of an existing geographic data set onto a more recent version of that geographic data set.

(b) A geographic sliver is considered to be included in the description of the larger unit of geography to which the geographic sliver belongs within the same geographic data set.

(c) If this article provides that a district includes a unit of geography in Indiana, that district contains any geographic slivers included in that unit of geography under subsection (b).

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-7**

##### **Office modifications to GIS**

Sec. 7. The office shall make modifications in the GIS necessary to conform the GIS to the rules stated in sections 5 and 6 of this chapter.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-8**

##### **Maintenance of census descriptions and maps**

Sec. 8. The legislative services agency shall separately maintain and preserve in the GIS the descriptions and maps included in the 2010 decennial census of Indiana. The legislative services agency shall make those descriptions and maps available for public inspection during regular office hours and on the Internet.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*

#### **IC 3-3-4-9**

##### **Incorporation of census reports and documents**

Sec. 9. The official report and all official documents relating to the report of the 2010 decennial census are incorporated by reference into this article.

*As added by P.L.215-2011, SEC.1.*