Exhibit D
MEMORANDUM

To: Speaker Will Weatherford, All Representatives
From: Representative Richard Corcoran, Chair of the Select Committee on Redistricting
Subject: Procedure for Special Session on Congressional Reapportionment
Date: August 5, 2014

On Thursday, August 7, the House Select Committee on Redistricting will hold a concurrent meeting with the Senate Committee on Reapportionment. This meeting will provide an opportunity for committee members to receive a legal briefing from House and Senate redistricting counsel regarding the recent judicial determination that two of Florida's 27 Congressional districts must be revised by the Legislature. Counsel will also be available to address questions from committee members. It is anticipated that the House and Senate Committees will then meet separately on Friday to consider the adoption of a remedial map that addresses the court’s concerns.

In preparation for the House’s important work during an abbreviated special session, I have instructed House Redistricting Committee staff to work collaboratively with their counterparts in the Senate to develop a recommended remedial map that complies with all of the relevant legal standards and with the court’s ruling on Congressional Districts 5 and 10.

I have specifically instructed staff to avoid any assessment of political implications in the preparation of a recommended remedial map, except where consideration of political data is legally required to assess whether a particular district would deny or abridge the equal opportunity of racial or language minorities to participate in the political process or diminish their ability to elect representatives of their choice. House Redistricting Committee staff have been informed that they are to have no interactions with any member of Congress, Congressional staffer or aide, or with any political consultant. If any member of the House suggests to Redistricting Committee staff that a plan be changed with an intent to favor or disfavor any incumbent or political party, staff should disregard the suggestion entirely and report the conversation directly to me.
Any member wishing to offer a redistricting bill or amendment should recall the technical specifications used during the 2012 Regular Session. Any bill or amendment should be a complete redistricting, such that the entirety of the State is assigned to Congressional districts consisting of population as nearly equal as practicable. The plan files for the bill or amendment should be submitted on a CD or DVD to the House Select Committee on Redistricting. Committee staff will review proposed bills or amendments to ensure that each plan satisfies the constitutional standards of contiguity and equal population and will communicate with House Bill Drafting to place compliant proposals in the proper legislative format.

Finally, given the courts’ concerns about external partisan influence, and their determination that the legislative privilege must yield to the constitutional prohibitions against partisan political gerrymandering and improper discriminatory intent, any member wishing to offer a plan or amendment should be prepared to explain in committee or on the House floor the identity of every person involved in drawing, reviewing, directing, or approving the proposal; the criteria used by the map drawers; and the sources of any data used in the creation of the map other than the data contained in MyDistrictBuilder. The member should also be able to explain the nature of any functional analysis performed to ensure that the ability of minorities to elect the candidates of their choice is not diminished, and how the proposal satisfies all of the constitutional and statutory criteria applicable to a Congressional redistricting plan.
MEMORANDUM

To: President Don Gaetz, All Senators
From: Senator Bill Galvano, Chair of the Senate Reapportionment Committee
Subject: Schedule and Procedure for Special Session on Congressional Reapportionment
Date: August 5, 2014

This morning I filed Senate Bill 2-A, which merely reenacts the congressional plan adopted by the Legislature in 2012. In essence, it is a “shell bill” that allows the bill to be introduced and referenced. It is also intended to be the Senate’s legislative vehicle for enacting legislation consistent with the Joint Proclamation issued August 4, 2014.

In order to facilitate the process for the upcoming Special Session, and to meet the accelerated timeline imposed by Judge Lewis in his August 1 ruling, it will be necessary for the Senate to proceed deliberately and expeditiously. In that spirit, I have asked the staff of the Reapportionment Committee, in consultation with our legal counsel and in collaboration with their House counterparts, to begin work on a remedial plan that meets the requirements of our State Constitution and federal law and addresses the circuit court’s concerns with Districts 5 and 10, along with any necessary conforming changes to impacted districts. I have additionally directed our staff to refrain from discussing their map drawing efforts with anyone outside of the Legislature except our legal counsel and not to share their work product with any outside interests in advance of the public release of the remedial plan.

To ensure the Legislature fulfills its obligation set out in the Joint Proclamation, I had suggested to President Gaetz and respectfully request that President Gaetz, the full Senate, and the Committee on Reapportionment consider and adopt the following proposed schedule with amendment deadlines:

- Thursday, August 7
  - 12:00 noon – Special Session convenes.
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- 15 minutes after adjournment – Special Order Calendar group meets to place Senate Bill 2-A on the Special Order Calendar, if received, for Monday, August 11 and Tuesday, August 12 (if necessary).
- 2:30 - 6:00 PM – Simultaneous meeting of the Senate Committee on Reapportionment and the House Select Committee in 412 Knott. At this meeting we will hear a briefing by legal counsel regarding Judge Lewis’ July 10 and August 1 orders and discuss the options available to the Legislature as well as hear public testimony. All Senators are invited, but not required to attend.

- Friday, August 8
  - 8:15 AM – Amendment deadline for amendments to be filed to Senate Bill 2-A for the Senate Reapportionment Committee meeting, including a “Chairman’s Amendment” drafted at the direction of the committee. Please give due consideration to the time it takes to process and file a redistricting plan as an amendment and allow members ample opportunity to review any proposed alternative maps.
  - 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM – Senate Committee on Reapportionment meeting in 412 Knott.

- Saturday, August 9
  - 5:00 PM – Amendment deadline for filing timely floor amendments to Senate Bill 2-A on the Special Order Calendar for Monday, August 11.

- Monday, August 11
  - 10:00 AM – Convening Senate Session no earlier than today to consider Senate Bill 2-A on the Special Order Calendar.

- Tuesday, August 12, through Friday, August 15
  - Senate Session and Conference Committee meetings, if necessary.

If you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.