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Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

## **Redistricting Principles - 2011**<sup>1</sup>

- 1. Election districts should be contiguous, compact, and reflect a community of interest;
- 2. Population of election districts should be substantially equal, with the range of deviation not to exceed 10%;
- 3. To the greatest extent possible, in establishing election districts:
- a. County boundaries should be followed;
- b. The majority of the population of each county should be in one district;
- c. Census blocks should be followed.
- 4. The plan should avoid diluting voting power of minorities in violation of the Voting Rights Act;
- 5. The House shall have 60 seats and the Senate shall have 30 seats;
- 6. Consideration should be given to two (2) contiguous House districts in each Senate district; and
- 7. Significant geographical features should be considered in establishing districts.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These Redistricting Principles were adopted by the Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee of the 61st Legislature of the State of Wyoming on April 12, 2011.