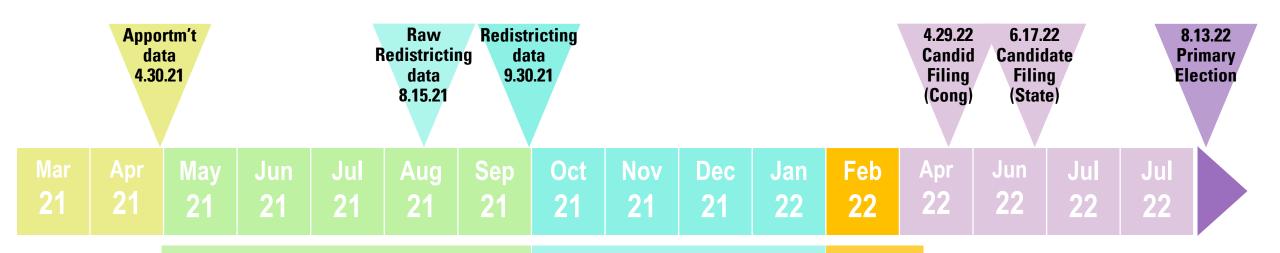


### Redistricting Rules: Florida Timeline



#### At least 5 months:

Public hearings to take communities of interest testimony

#### **Approx. 4 months:**

Process census data, display draft maps, hold hearings, complete maps

Court & County Prep





## Redistricting Rules: Florida Rules

#### Who draws the lines?

- Congressional lines are drawn by the state legislature as a statute and is subject to a gubernatorial veto
- ➤ State legislative lines are **drawn by the state legislature** as a joint resolution, not subject to gubernatorial review, but reviewed by the state supreme court





# Redistricting Rules: Florida Rules

### What are the mapping rules?

- ► Federal **equal population** requirements and adherence to the **Voting Rights Act** and constitutional rules on race
- Cannot abridge equal opportunity of racial or language minorities to elect candidates of their choice, no retrogression
- Contiguity: for all districts where it does not conflict with minority rights, using existing geographical and political boundaries where possible
- ► When possible, districts must be **compact**
- ► No plan or district can be drawn to favor or disfavor a party or incumbent
- (Fla. Const. Art. III, §§ 20, 21)

