

# 2023 Proposed Congressional Map

Senate Committee Chair, December 1, 2023

## Court Mandate



**Add 1 Black majority district in south-metro Atlanta without eliminating any minority opportunity districts**

## Fair Districts GA assessment

A remedy map should meet the Court's mandate without making any other unnecessary changes. We oppose mid-cycle redistricting, the practice of changing maps between decennial censuses for political gain.

We ask 2 key questions:

- Does the map implement the remedy required by the Court by adding Black majority districts? (Note: The Court may use additional criteria to judge compliance beyond basic demographics.)
- Does the map contain other changes, unrelated to the prescribed remedies, affecting partisan balance or competitiveness of districts?

Comparison of proposed remedy map to 2021 enacted map					
Characteristic		2021 Enacted map	Proposed Map	What's changed?	Pass/Fail
Racial Demographics	Black majority districts ( $\geq 50\%$ BVAP*)	2	4	Added CD6. CD5 went from 49.6% BVAP to 51.1%, was widely considered strong Black opportunity district in 2021 map	Does not comply with mandate due to loss of CD7 as Minority-majority district
	Black influence districts (37%-50% BVAP)	2	1		
	Minority-majority districts**	5	5	Eliminated CD7 (67% down to 33%) Added CD6	
Partisan Balance***	Republican districts	9	9	New BVAP CD6 added as Democratic district	Contains partisan changes not necessary to comply with court mandate
	Democratic districts	5	5	CD7 flipped from Democratic to Republican	
	Competitive districts (46.5-53.5% partisan balance)	0	0	Still no competitive districts	
Total districts changed 9/14=64% Total population moved between districts = 28.8%					

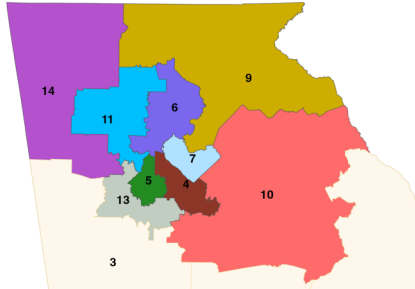
\* BVAP = Black voting-age population, Black / African American + Black & Hispanic

\*\* Minority-majority = non-Hispanic white population <50%

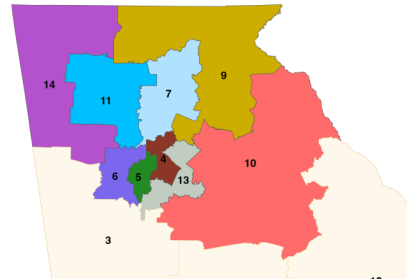
\*\*\* Partisan balance estimated based on 2018-20-21 major statewide elections

# Senate Committee Congressional Remedy Map

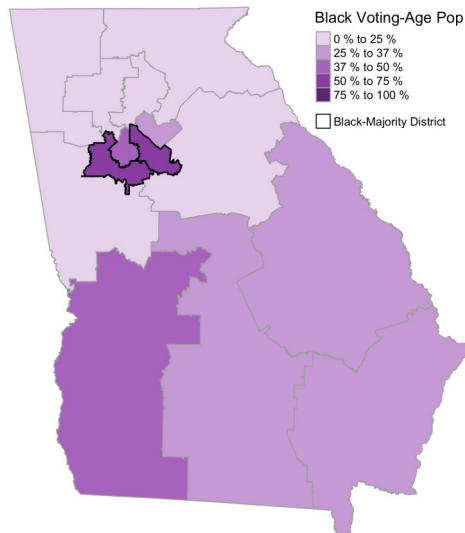
**2021 Enacted Map (changed)**



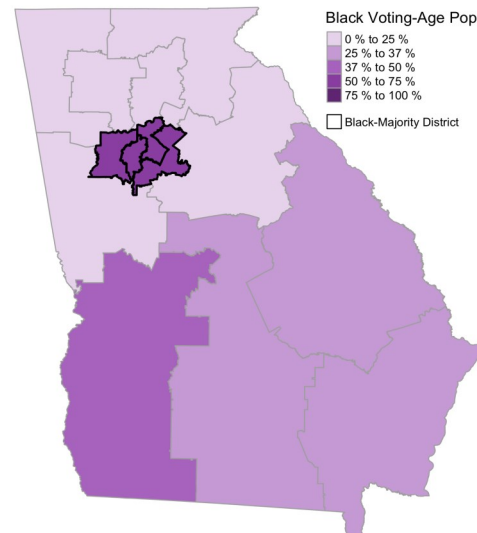
**Proposed Map (changed area)**



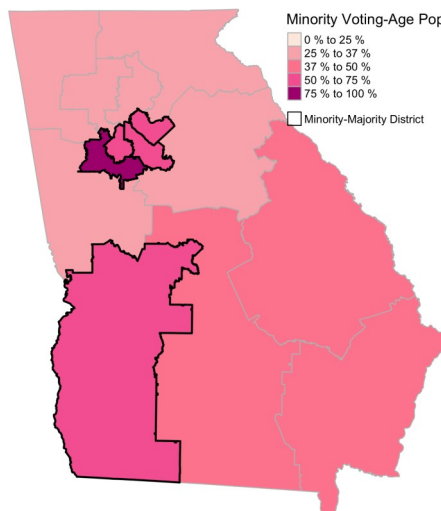
**2021 Map Black Districts**



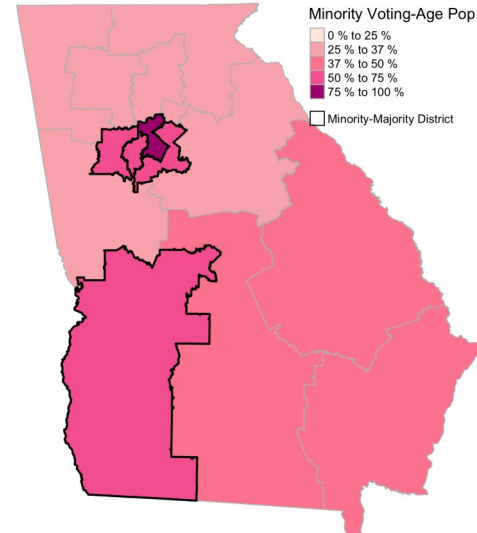
**Proposed Map Black Districts**



**2021 Map Minority Districts**



**Proposed Map Minority Districts**



## What is a Fair Map?

Fair maps are an essential component of Free and Fair Elections. Fair Districts GA Foundation believes that maps should:

- Reflect the natural political preferences of voters distributed across the state
- Allow for competition
- Reflect Georgia's diversity by providing sufficient minority-majority opportunity districts and complying with the Voting Rights Act
- Preserve minority influence districts
- Honor communities of interest



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