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ACA-15 Redistricting: eligibility for congressional office. (2025-2026)

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2025–2026 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY
AMENDMENT**

CONSTITUTIONAL

NO. 15

Introduced by Assembly Member Tangipa
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alanis, Castillo, Davies, DeMaio, Ellis, Gallagher, Jeff Gonzalez, Macedo, Patterson, and Wallis)

August 19, 2025

A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by adding Section 5 to Article XXI thereof, relating to redistricting.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACA 15, as introduced, Tangipa. Redistricting: eligibility for congressional office.

The California Constitution establishes the Citizens Redistricting Commission, which is required to adjust the boundary lines of congressional, Senate, Assembly, and State Board of Equalization districts in each year ending in 1. If enacted by the Legislature and approved by the voters, ACA 8 of the 2025–26 Regular Session would adopt new congressional district boundaries that would remain in effect until the commission next adjusts the boundaries in 2031, if another state also adopts new congressional district boundaries between August 1, 2025, and January 1, 2031.

If ACA 8 is enacted by the Legislature and approved by the voters, and a specified provision of that measure becomes operative, this measure would prohibit a Member of the Legislature who voted in favor of ACA 8 from being a candidate for congressional office in any congressional district adopted pursuant to ACA 8.

Vote: 2/3 Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: no Local Program: no

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California at its 2025–26 Regular Session commencing on the second day of December 2024, two-thirds of the membership of each house concurring, hereby proposes to the people of the State of California that the Constitution of the State be amended as follows:

That Section 5 is added to Article XXI thereof, to read:

SEC. 5. (a) A Member of the Legislature who voted in favor of Assembly Constitutional Amendment 8 of the 2025–26 Regular Session shall not be a candidate for congressional office in any congressional district adopted pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 4.

(b) This section shall become operative only if Assembly Constitutional Amendment 8 of the 2025–26 Regular Session is approved by the voters and takes effect and subdivision (b) of Section 4 becomes operative.