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Bradley statement on Congressional Redistricting

CONCORD - Senate Majority Leader Jeb Bradley, R-Wolfeboro, released the following statement today regarding the Senate Internal Affairs Committee's vote to send SB202, the congressional redistricting bill, to the full Senate without amendment:

"As passed by the Internal Affairs Committee, SB202 would make no changes to the existing congressional districts, leaving a small population deviation between the two. However, because the U.S. Constitution requires congressional districts be exactly equal, we know there is still work to be done on this legislation."

"We have said all along that Congressman Guinta and Congressman Bass should work together to agree on the changes that must be made to meet the 'one person-one vote' requirement. To date, our Representatives have failed to reach that agreement."

"Senate rules required committee action on this bill today and require full Senate action next week. This provides our federal Representatives with ample time and a clear deadline by which to reach consensus. If they cannot do so, the state Senate and House of Representatives will be forced to make these decisions for them."

Note: Currently, the second congressional district includes 251 more people than the first.

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