

become law. If the Court of Appeals finds a redistricting law enacted by the General Assembly invalid, then the commission plan shall become law. If the Court of Appeals finds the commission plan invalid, then the Court of Appeals shall grant appropriate relief for the conduct of the impending election.

### **Section 3.07. Congressional Districts.**

The State shall be divided by law into congressional districts for the election of members of the United States House of Representatives. The difference between the populations of the largest and smallest congressional districts in the State shall not exceed ten per cent of the mean population of all congressional districts. Each congressional district shall consist of adjoining territory and be compact in form. Due regard shall be given to natural boundaries and the boundaries of political subdivisions. Boundaries of congressional districts shall be redrawn according to these standards prior to the general election in 1972 and in every tenth year thereafter.

### **Section 3.08. Congressional Redistricting Procedure.**

The commission on legislative redistricting shall submit a congressional redistricting plan to the governor, who shall transmit it to the General Assembly by the first day of the regular session in the year in which congressional redistricting is to be effective. The General Assembly shall enact either the commission plan or a congressional redistricting plan of its own.

## ***MEMBERS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY***

### **Section 3.09. Qualifications.**

A senator or a delegate shall be a qualified voter of the State at the time of his election or appointment, shall have been a resident of the State for at least two years immediately preceding his election or appointment, and shall have been a resident of his senate district for at least six months immediately preceding his election or appointment. If any redistricting plan has been adopted within one year before a general election for members of the General Assembly, a candidate for the office of