



RESOLUTION

DISAPPROVING THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF NASHUA'S WARD 3

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Eleven

RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that

WHEREAS the New Hampshire House of Representatives has proposed a bill to reapportion districts for electing state representatives, and

WHEREAS that bill or amendments to it contemplate combining Nashua's Ward 3 with the Town of Hudson to create a new district, and

WHEREAS Nashua's Ward 3 would likely not have sufficient representation in the House of Representatives because of the disproportion in population size between Nashua's Ward 3 and the Town of Hudson,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that the City of Nashua disapproves the reapportionment of Nashua's Ward 3 in New Hampshire House Bill 592.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2011

RESOLUTION: R-11-172

PURPOSE: Disapproving the reapportionment of Nashua's Ward 3

SPONSOR(S): Alderman Diane Sheehan

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

FISCAL NOTE: None

ANALYSIS

This resolution resolves that the Board of Aldermen disapprove House Bill 592, the reapportionment of districts for state representatives.

Recently, the house has contemplated redistricting wards of cities with bordering towns. By combining wards with bordering towns, if the ward is smaller than the town, sufficient representation would not be given to the ward.

Specifically, various state representatives have considered combining Nashua's Ward 3 with the Town of Hudson, creating a new mega-district. The population of Nashua's Ward 3 is 9,448 and the population of the Town of Hudson is 24,467. There is concern that Nashua's Ward 3 would not have sufficient representation due to the disproportion in population. The City of Nashua and the Town of Hudson have different interests: the municipal budgets are separate; the schools are in different districts, etc.

Approved as to form: Office of Corporation Counsel

By: 

Date: 12/13/11

