

GOVERNMENT CODE

CHAPTER 2058. RECOGNITION OF FEDERAL CENSUS

Sec. 2058.001. GOVERNMENTAL RECOGNITION OF AND ACTION ON FEDERAL CENSUS. (a) A governmental entity may not recognize or act on a report or publication, in any form, of a federal decennial census, in whole or in part, before September 1 of the year after the calendar year during which the census was taken.

(b) A governmental entity shall recognize and act on a published report or count relating to a federal decennial census and released by the director of the Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce:

(1) on September 1 of the year after the calendar year during which the census was taken if the report or count is published on or before that date; or

(2) on the date of its publication if the report or count is published after September 1 of the year after the calendar year during which the census was taken.

(c) In this section, "governmental entity" means the state or an agency or political subdivision of the state.

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Sec. 2058.002. EXCEPTIONS. (a) The legislature or the Legislative Redistricting Board under Article III, Section 28, of the Texas Constitution may officially recognize or act on a federal decennial census before September 1 of the year after the calendar year during which the census was taken.

(b) A political subdivision governed by a body elected from single-member districts may recognize and act on tabulations of population of a federal decennial census, for redistricting purposes, on or after the date the governor receives a report of the basic tabulations of population from the secretary of commerce under 13 U.S.C. Section 141(c). This subsection does not apply to a political subdivision that was not subject to a statute requiring certain political subdivisions, classified by population, to elect their governing bodies from single-member districts under the preceding federal census.

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