

Ohio House Districts 1971 Apportionment Board (Democrat) Plan



In 1967 Ohio adopted a new districting article for the state constitution which confirmed the court-approved single-member districting plan of 1965 and laid down some loosely worded rules for drawing legislative districts in the future. An Apportionment Board, controlled by the same three statewide officials as previous, still had considerable discretion in drawing boundaries. The 1970 elections gave Democrats control of this Board and it crafted plans for the Ohio House and Senate which contained many strange shapes. The average compactness of this plan is only 38.2, as opposed to 50.8 for its 1965 counterpart.