Inmate Data Reallocation Project Overview

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Legislative history

- 2011 – AB 420 (Davis)
  - Original bill; outlines legislative intent
- 2012 – AB 1986 (Davis)
  - Makes some changes to the original bill to make it more efficient for implementation
- 2018 – AB 2172 (Weber)
  - Updates the bill, makes modifications to ensure that original bill can be implemented consistent with legislative intent

Background

- Election Code Section 21003: After April 1 and no later than July 1 in the year ending with 0, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) provides single database with info about every incarcerated person in a facility under CDCR's control to the CRC and the Legislature.

- Under subdivision (b) of Section 8253 of the Government Code, it is the Legislature's responsibility to provide a complete and accurate computerized database for redistricting

- That responsibility is fulfilled by the Statewide Database (SWDB)

- The 2010 CRC voted in 2019 to make the Statewide Database the recipient of the file transmitted by the CDCR

- The Legislature also designated the Statewide Database as the recipient of the file transmitted by the CDCR

Transmitted Data

- On May 11, 2020, the CDCR transmitted a single file to the SWDB containing the following information (if available) for each incarcerated person in a facility under the control of the CDCR
    - Unique identifier
    - Residential address(es) at which the person was domiciled prior to incarceration
    - Persons' ethnicity and race
    - Location of facility of incarceration
- The CDCR transmitted 122,730 unique IDs to SWDB
- The first geocode resulted in 66,706 matches with 14,948 complete addresses that could not be matched being corrected individually
- The remaining 41,076 will also be individually processed

Election Code Section 21003

- Legislature, in coordination with CRC, shall ensure that the CDCR dataset is incorporated into the SWDB
- SWDB will adjust total population, race and ethnicity based on the CDCR dataset by removing data of incarcerated persons from the geographies where they were enumerated and reallocating them in geographies of their last residence if possible
- If specific previous residential address is not available then the smallest geographic unit possible will be used for geographic reallocation
- Legislature requests that the CRC deem each incarcerated person as residing at their last residential address rather than place of incarceration