AB 350 (Alejo) Process Timeline

1) City receives demand letter from prospective plaintiffs

2) City allowed a 45 day safe harbor response period to decide how to proceed; Convert to districts by ordinance, by ballot or contest the pending litigation (further safe harbor extension granted only if a city chooses to convert to districts by ordinance)

3) If a city chooses to convert to districts it must do so by ordinance to qualify for the additional 90 day safe harbor. To trigger the additional 90 days of litigation protection, a city must adopt a resolution of intent, follow the public outreach requirements outlined below and must pass an ordinance to switch to districts.

4) Two public hearings for input on composition of districts maps before maps are drawn (Note: Cities can begin this process during step #2) (≥ 30-Day Period)

5) City drafts district map(s) and (if applicable) sequence of elections. Maps stay in print for 7 days.

6) Two public hearings on draft map(s) and sequence of elections. (≥ 45-Day Period)

7) After soliciting the public through the four public hearings, the city then adopts ordinance and establishes district-based elections.

8) Prospective plaintiffs entitled to compensation for reasonable costs. capped at 30K in total cost for the city. (Not to exceed $30,000 +CPI).