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STATEMENT BY THE HON. JOHN LESINSKI (D., MICH.) ANNOUNCING PROJECTION OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WITH HAWAII AS THE 50th STATE.

Congressman John Lesinski (D., Mich.) Chairman of the Subcommittee on Census and Government Statistics of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, released today an analysis of a Census Bureau 1960 projection of membership in the House of Representatives with Hawaii as the 50th State. The following table, based upon a 1960 projection of the 1950 census of the population, reflects the apportionment of 435 Representatives by the method of "equal proportions" as provided for under present law:

	1960	1950	Changes	
			Gains	Losses
Alaska	1	-	1	
Hawaii	2	-	2	
New England	25	28		3
Middle Atlantic	81	87		6
East North Central	89	87	2	
West North Central	39	42		3
South Atlantic	61	60	4	3
East South Central	30	32		2
West South Central	42	42	2	2
Mountain	17	16	1	
Pacific	<u>48</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>7</u>	
Total	435	435	19	19

✓ The above reapportionments are estimates that are subject to change based upon the actual 1960 census which will be taken all over the United States beginning April 1, 1960. ✓ It is apparent that the West, even without including Alaska and Hawaii, will have increased representation due to the tremendous increase in population in that portion of the country during the past decade.

The attached table shows the effect of the 1960 projection of the 1950 census on the apportionment among the states of the 435 seats, provided under present law, in the House of Representatives.

Seven states gain additional seats and 13 states lose seats.

Mr. Lesinski noted that his own state, Michigan, gains 2 seats. California gains 7, Florida gains 4, Hawaii and Texas each gain 2, Alaska and Arizona each gain 1.

Chief losers are New York and Pennsylvania, which lose 3 seats each. Proportionately, Arkansas suffers the greatest loss -- 1/3 of its present membership of 6. Massachusetts also loses 2 seats. Maine, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, West Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi each lose 1 seat.

The reapportionment of seats among states, as finally determined by the 1960 census, will become effective in the elections for the 88th Congress in November 1962.

Change in Membership in the House of Representatives  
Based on 1960 Projection of 1950 Census  
Changes

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>Gains</u>	<u>Losses</u>
Alabama	8	9		1
Alaska	1	-	1	
Arizona	3	2	1	
Arkansas	4	6		2
California	37	30	7	
Florida	12	8	4	
Georgia	9	10		1
Hawaii	2	-	2	
Iowa	7	8		1
Kansas	5	6		1
Maine	2	3		1
Massachusetts	12	14		2
Michigan	20	18	2	
Minnesota	8	9		1
Mississippi	5	6		1
New York	40	43		3
North Carolina	11	12		1
Pennsylvania	27	30		3
Texas	24	22	2	
West Virginia	5	6		1
All other states*	<u>193</u> 435	<u>193</u> 435	<u>19</u>	<u>19</u>

\* No change anticipated based on currently available information.