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After subtitle G of title II, insert the following (and redesignate subtitle H as subtitle I):

Subtitle H—Apportionment Based on Citizenship

SEC. 2701. CITIZENSHIP ON CENSUS QUESTIONNAIRES.

In conducting the 2020 decennial census and every decennial census thereafter, the Secretary of Commerce shall include, in any questionnaire distributed or otherwise used for the purpose of determining the total population by States, a checkbox or other similar option for respondents to indicate citizenship status.

SEC. 2702. PREVENTION OF CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT DISTORTIONS.

(a) ADJUSTMENTS TO PREVENT DISTORTIONS.—Section 141 of title 13, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (g) as subsection (h); and

(2) by inserting after subsection (f) the following:
“(g) The Secretary shall make such adjustments in total population figures as may be necessary, using such methods and procedures as the Secretary determines feasible and appropriate, in order that those who are not United States citizens are not counted in tabulating population under subsection (b) for the purposes of apportionment of Representatives in Congress among the several States. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to supersede section 195 of this title.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 22(a) of the Act entitled “An Act To provide for the fifteenth and subsequent decennial censuses and to provide for apportionment of Representatives in Congress”, of June 18, 1929 (2 U.S.C. 2a(a)), is amended by striking “as ascertained under the seventeenth and each subsequent decennial census of the population” and inserting “as ascertained and reported under section 141 of title 13, United States Code, for each decennial census of population”.

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