

HB 348 -- Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission

Sponsor: Pearce

This bill establishes the Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission to design and implement measures to protect, retain, and enhance the present and future mission capabilities of military posts and bases around the state.

The commission's duties will include preparing a biennial strategic plan and an annual report. The seven-member commission will meet quarterly, or more often if additional meetings are deemed necessary by the chair. Funding for the commission will be by appropriation, and the Department of Economic Development will provide administrative support staff.

The City of Knob Noster is allowed to adopt and enforce regulations regarding zoning and planning within the unincorporated area that extends two miles beyond the city's corporate limits. Zoning and planning ordinances affecting the unincorporated areas can be less restrictive than the ordinances affecting areas within the city's limits.

For the purposes of student resident status, military personnel stationed in Missouri, as well as their spouses and minor children, will be regarded as Missouri residents.