

HJR 56 -- Impeachment Trials

Sponsor: Emery

Upon voter approval, this proposed constitutional amendment requires impeachments to be tried by the Senate. If the Governor is to be tried, the Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court will preside. No person will be convicted without a two-thirds vote by all senators present. Currently, impeachments are tried before the Missouri Supreme Court or a special commission of seven jurists selected by the Senate with a conviction occurring upon a five-sevenths vote.