

HB 1179 -- VACANCIES IN COUNTY OFFICES

SPONSOR: Alferman

This bill specifies that if at the time a vacancy occurs in the office of county commissioner, clerk of the county commission, collector of revenue, county assessor, county treasurer, county auditor, county coroner, or county recorder there is less than one year remaining in the unexpired term, it must be filled as specified in Section 105.030, RSMo, by an appointment by the Governor. If there is one year or more remaining in the term of office, the Governor must fill the vacancy by appointing, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate subject to the provisions of Article IV, Section 51 of the Missouri Constitution, an eligible person to discharge the duties of the office until the next general election when a person must be chosen for the remainder of the term.

These provisions must not apply to charter counties.

The bill contains an emergency clause.