FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 1302

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 226.030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the highways and transportation commission.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 226.030, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 226.030, to read as follows:

226.030. 1. Beginning January 1, 2024, the highways and transportation commission shall consist of [six members] one member from each congressional district, who shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, as provided under subsection 6 of this section, with not more than [three] half thereof to be 5 members of the same political party. In the event a member of the commission is found by unanimous vote of the other commissioners to have moved such commissioner's residence from the congressional district from which such commissioner was appointed, the office of such commissioner shall be forfeited and considered vacant. commissioner shall be a taxpayer and resident of state for at least five years prior to his appointment. Any commissioner may be removed by the governor if fully satisfied of his inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office. Any commissioner shall be removed 11 by the governor upon an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the house of representatives 12 and two-thirds of the senate to remove such commissioner. Commissioners appointed pursuant to this section shall be appointed for terms of six years, except as otherwise provided in this subsection. Upon the expiration of each of the foregoing terms of these commissioners a successor shall be appointed for a term of six years or until his successor is appointed and 16 17 qualified which term of six years shall thereafter be the length of term of each member of the 18 commission unless removed as above provided. The members of the commission shall

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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receive as compensation for their services twenty-five dollars per day for the time spent in the 20 performance of their official duties, and also their necessary traveling and other expenses 21 incurred while actually engaged in the discharge of their official duties. Members whose 22 terms otherwise expire December 1, 2003, shall serve with terms expiring March 1, 2004, and 23 new members or the members reappointed shall be appointed for terms expiring March 1, 24 2005; a member whose term otherwise expires December 1, 2005, shall serve with a term 25 expiring March 1, 2007; a member whose term otherwise expires December 1, 2007, shall 26 serve with a term expiring March 1, 2009; and one member whose term otherwise expires 27 October 13, 2007, shall serve with a term expiring March 1, 2007; and one member whose term otherwise expires October 13, 2007, shall serve with a term expiring March 1, 2009. If a 28 29 vacancy occurs in any term of a commissioner due to death, resignation, or removal, a 30 successor shall be appointed for only the remainder of the unexpired term.

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- 2. The two members of the commission, one each from opposing political parties, who have the most seniority in commission service shall serve as commission leadership with one member as chair and the other member as vice chair, respectively, for terms ending March 1, 2005. The commission shall elect one of the members as chair and the other as vice Effective March 1, 2005, the commission shall elect the two members of the commission, one from each opposing political party who has the most seniority in commission service, who shall serve as commission leadership with one member as chair and the other member as vice chair, respectively, for one year. At the end of such year, the members currently serving as chair and vice chair shall have the option to rotate positions, and the member currently serving as vice chair may serve as chair, and vice versa. Thereafter, commission leadership shall continue to rotate accordingly with the two members from opposing political parties who have the most seniority in terms of commission service being elected by the commission to serve as commission leadership. If one of the commission leadership offices becomes vacant due to death, resignation, removal, or [refuses] refusal to serve before the one-year leadership term expires, the commission shall elect one of its members that is of the same political party as the vacating officer to serve the remainder of the vacating officer's leadership term. Such election shall not prohibit that member from later serving as chair and vice chair when such member's seniority in commission service qualifies him or her for those offices as provided in this subsection.
- 3. No more than one-half of the members of the commission shall be of the same political party. The selection and removal of all employees of the department of transportation shall be without regard to political affiliation.
- 4. The present members of the commission shall continue to serve as members of the commission for the remainder of the terms for which they were appointed, except as provided in subsection 1 of this section.

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56 5. Any member reappointed shall only be eligible to serve as chair or vice chair during the final two years of such member's reappointment.

- 6. (1) On or after January 1, 2024, the governor shall appoint two additional members to the highways and transportation commission from a list of six nominees submitted by the general assembly prior to such date. The list of nominees submitted to the governor shall be selected by the general assembly and approved prior to such submission by a two-thirds vote of the house and a two-thirds vote of the senate.
- (2) Additional appointments to the commission after the initial appointments made under subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be made by the same method; each time there is a vacancy on the commission, the general assembly shall submit to the governor the names of three nominees who meet the requirements of subsection 1 of this section and whose nomination has been approved by a two-thirds vote of the house and a two-thirds vote of the senate. The governor shall be required to make appointments to the commission from the nomination list submitted by the general assembly.
- 7. No member of the commission shall accept directly or indirectly a gift of any tangible or intangible item, service, or thing of value from any paid lobbyist or lobbyist principal. Nothing in this subsection shall prevent individuals from receiving gifts, family support, or anything of value from those related to them within the fourth degree by blood or marriage.

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