

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND Senate Substitute No. 2 for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 727, Page 37,
2 Section 160.415, Line 295, by inserting after all of the said section and line the following:

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4 "160.425. 1. The "Missouri Charter Public School Commission" is hereby created with the
5 authority to sponsor high quality charter schools throughout the state of Missouri.

6 2. The commission shall consist of nine members appointed by the governor, by and with
7 the advice and consent of the senate. No more than five of the members shall be of the same
8 political party. ~~[No more than two members shall be from the same congressional district.]~~ The
9 term of office of each member shall be four years, except those of the members first appointed, of
10 which three shall be appointed for a term of one year, two for a term of two years, two for a term of
11 three years, and two for a term of four years. At the expiration of the term of each member, the
12 governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint a successor.

13 3. The appointees to the commission shall be selected as follows:

14 (1) One member selected by the governor from a slate of three recommended by the
15 commissioner of education;

16 (2) One member selected by the governor from a slate of three recommended by the
17 commissioner of higher education;

18 (3) One member selected by the governor from a slate of three recommended by the
19 president pro tempore of the senate;

20 (4) One member selected by the governor from a slate of three recommended by the speaker
21 of the house of representatives; and

22 (5) Five additional members appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be selected from
23 a slate of three nominees recommended by the Missouri School Boards Association.

24 4. Members appointed to the commission shall collectively possess strong experience and
25 expertise in governance, management and finance, school leadership, assessment, curriculum and
26 instruction, and education law. All members of the commission shall have demonstrated
27 understanding of and commitment to charter schooling as a strategy for strengthening public
28 education and members shall reside in a school district that currently has a charter school
29 established within such district.

30 5. The commission shall annually elect a chairperson and vice chairperson, who shall act as
31 chairperson in his or her absence. The commission shall meet at the call of the chairperson. The
32 chairperson may call meetings at such times as he or she deems advisable and shall call a meeting
33 when requested to do so by three or more members of the commission. Members of the commission
34 are not eligible to receive compensation.

35 6. The commission may approve proposed charters for its sponsorship under sections
36 160.400 to 160.425 and shall:

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1 (1) Comply with all of the requirements applicable to sponsors under sections 160.400 to
2 160.425;

3 (2) Exercise sponsorship over charters approved by the commission under sections 160.400
4 to 160.425, including receipt of sponsorship funding under subsection 11 of section 160.400.
5 Sponsorship funding due to the commission shall be deposited to the credit of the charter public
6 school commission revolving fund created pursuant to this section.

7 7. Charter schools sponsored by the commission shall comply with all of the requirements
8 applicable to charter schools under sections 160.400 to 160.425.

9 8. The commission shall conduct its business in accordance with chapter 610.

10 9. The department of elementary and secondary education shall provide start-up funding for
11 the commission to operate. The commission shall reimburse the department's costs from any funds
12 it receives as sponsor under section 160.400.

13 10. The commission is authorized to receive and expend gifts, grants, and donations of any
14 kind from any public or private entity to carry out the purposes of sections 160.400 to 160.425,
15 subject to the terms and conditions under which they are given, provided that all such terms and
16 conditions are permissible under law.

17 11. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Charter Public School Commission
18 Revolving Fund", which shall consist of moneys collected under this section. The state treasurer
19 shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer
20 may approve disbursements. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any
21 moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general
22 revenue fund. The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds
23 are invested. Subject to appropriation, moneys in the fund shall be used solely for the
24 administration of this section."; and

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26 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
27 accordingly.