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# HOUSE BILL NO. 488

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE VAN SCHOIACK.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 644.021, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the clean water commission of the state of Missouri.

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

Section A. Section 644.021, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 644.021, to read as follows:

644.021. 1. There is hereby created a water contaminant control agency to be known as the "Clean Water Commission of the State of Missouri", whose domicile for the purposes of sections 644.006 to 644.141 shall be deemed to be that of the department of natural resources. The commission shall consist of seven members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. No more than four of the members shall belong to the same political party. All members shall be representative of the general interest of the public and shall have an interest in and knowledge of conservation and the effects and control of water contaminants. At least two members shall be knowledgeable concerning the needs of agriculture, industry or mining and interested in protecting these needs in a manner consistent with the purposes of sections 644.006 to 644.141. **At least** one member shall be knowledgeable concerning the needs of publicly owned wastewater treatment works. No more than four members shall represent the public. ~~[No member shall receive, or have received during the previous two years, a significant portion of his or her income directly or indirectly from permit holders or applicants for a permit pursuant to any federal water pollution control act as amended and as applicable to this state.]~~ All members appointed on or after August 28, 2002, shall have demonstrated an interest and knowledge about water quality. All members appointed on or after August 28, 2002, shall be qualified by interest,

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.

18 education, training or experience to provide, assess and evaluate scientific and technical  
19 information concerning water quality, financial requirements and the effects of the  
20 promulgation of standards, rules and regulations. At the first meeting of the commission  
21 and at yearly intervals thereafter, the members shall select from among themselves a  
22 chairman and a vice chairman.

23         2. The members' terms of office shall be four years and until their successors are  
24 selected and qualified. Provided, however, that the first three members appointed shall serve  
25 a term of two years, the next three members appointed shall serve a term of four years,  
26 thereafter all members appointed shall serve a term of four years. There is no limitation on  
27 the number of terms any appointed member may serve. If a vacancy occurs the governor may  
28 appoint a member for the remaining portion of the unexpired term created by the vacancy.  
29 The governor may remove any appointed member for cause. The members of the  
30 commission shall be reimbursed for travel and other expenses actually and necessarily  
31 incurred in the performance of their duties.

32         3. The commission shall hold at least four regular meetings each year and such  
33 additional meetings as the chairman deems desirable at a place and time to be fixed by the  
34 chairman. Special meetings may be called by three members of the commission upon  
35 delivery of written notice to each member of the commission. Reasonable written notice of  
36 all meetings shall be given by the director to all members of the commission. Four members  
37 of the commission shall constitute a quorum. All powers and duties conferred specifically  
38 upon members of the commission shall be exercised personally by the members and not by  
39 alternates or representatives. All actions of the commission shall be taken at meetings open to  
40 the public. Any member absent from six consecutive regular commission meetings for any  
41 cause whatsoever shall be deemed to have resigned and the vacancy shall be filled  
42 immediately in accordance with subsection 1 of this section.

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