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## 92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To repeal section 620.602, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the joint committee on economic development policy and planning.

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

Section A. Section 620.602, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 620.602, to read as follows:

620.602. 1. There is established a permanent joint committee of the general assembly to be known as the "Joint Committee on Economic Development Policy and Planning" to be composed of five members of the senate, appointed by the president pro tem of the senate, and five members of the house, appointed by the speaker of the house. No more than three members of the senate and three members of the house shall be from the same political party. The appointment of members shall continue during their terms of office as members of the general assembly or until successors have been duly appointed to fill their places when their terms of office as members of the general assembly have expired. Members of the joint committee shall receive no compensation in addition to their salary as members of the general assembly, but may receive their necessary expenses for attending the meetings of the committee, to be paid out of the committee's appropriations or the joint contingent fund.

2. The joint committee on economic development policy and planning shall meet within ten days after its establishment and organize by selecting a chairman and a vice chairman, one of whom shall be a member of the senate and the other a member of the house of representatives. These positions shall rotate [annually] biennially between a member of the senate and a member of the house of representatives. At the outset of each biennial rotation the presiding officer of the appropriate house of the general assembly charged with providing a chairman shall appoint the chairman and the presiding officer of the other house shall appoint the vice chairman. For the

purpose of this subsection "presiding officer" shall mean either the president protem of the senate or the speaker of the house of representatives. The committee shall regularly meet at least quarterly. A majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum. The committee may, within the limits of its appropriations, employ such persons as it deems necessary to carry out its duties. The compensation of such personnel shall be paid from the committee's appropriations or the joint contingent fund.

3. The joint committee on economic development policy and planning shall, at its regular meetings, confer with representatives from the governor's office, the department of economic development, the University of Missouri extension service, and other interested parties from the private and public sectors. The joint committee shall review the annual report produced by the department of economic development, as required by section 620.607, and plan, develop and evaluate a long-term economic development policy for the state of Missouri to ensure the state's competitive status with other states.

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4. The provisions of this section shall expire on July 1, 2010.

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