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SENATE BILL NO. 263

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MAYER.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 44.227, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the seismic safety commission.

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

Section A. Section 44.227, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted
2 in lieu thereof, to be known as section 44.227, to read as follows:

44.227. 1. There is hereby created a "Seismic Safety Commission", which
2 shall be domiciled in the department of public safety.

3 2. The commission shall consist of seventeen members, one who shall be
4 a member of the senate appointed by the president pro tem of the senate, one who
5 shall be a member of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the
6 house of representatives, and fifteen members appointed by the governor, with
7 the advice and consent of the senate, [one each] representing the following
8 professional areas: architecture, planning, fire protection, public utilities,
9 electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, structural engineering, soils
10 engineering, geology, seismology, local government, insurance, business, the
11 American Red Cross, **public education**, and emergency management.

12 3. Commission members shall elect annually from its membership a
13 chairman and vice chairman. A quorum shall consist of [nine] **a majority of**
14 **appointed members and may be met by electronic attendance and non-**
15 **voting participation of the staff of the legislative members of the**
16 **commision**. All commission members shall be residents of the state of Missouri
17 and shall have reasonable knowledge of issues relating to earthquakes.

18 4. The term of office for each member of the commission appointed by the
19 governor shall be four years, except that of the initial appointments, seven

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

20 members shall be appointed for a term of two years and eight members shall be
21 appointed for a term of four years. Any member may be removed from office by
22 the governor without cause. Before the expiration of the term of a member
23 appointed by the governor, the governor shall appoint a successor whose term
24 begins on July first next following. A member is eligible for reappointment. If
25 there is a vacancy for any cause, the governor shall make an appointment to
26 become effective immediately for the unexpired term.

27 5. Each member of the commission shall serve without compensation but
28 shall receive fifty dollars for each day devoted to the affairs of the commission,
29 plus actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties.

30 6. The office of emergency management in the department of public safety
31 shall provide to the commission all technical, clerical and other necessary support
32 services.

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