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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 40(a) of article IV of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the conservation commission.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on
2 Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2018, or at a special
3 election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted
4 to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following
5 amendment to article IV of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 40(a), article IV, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed
2 and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 40(a), to read
3 as follows:

Section 40(a). The control, management, restoration, conservation and
2 regulation of the bird, fish, game, forestry and all wildlife resources of the state,
3 including hatcheries, sanctuaries, refuges, reservations and all other property
4 owned, acquired or used for such purposes and the acquisition and establishment
5 thereof, and the administration of all laws pertaining thereto, shall be vested in
6 a conservation commission consisting of **[four] eight** members appointed by the
7 governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, not more than **[two**
8 **of whom] four members** shall be of the same political party, **and not more**
9 **than one member shall reside in any one region under the map of eight**
10 **regions in use by the conservation commission as of December 1,**
11 **2011.** The members shall have knowledge of and interest in wildlife
12 conservation. The members shall hold office for terms of six years beginning on

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

13 the first day of July [of consecutive odd years. Two of the terms shall be
14 concurrent; one shall begin two years before and one two years after the
15 concurrent terms]. **The starting and ending years of the terms shall be**
16 **staggered such that no more than two terms shall end in the same**
17 **year. Members may be reappointed but may not serve more than one**
18 **term in twelve years.** If the governor fails to fill a vacancy within thirty days,
19 the remaining members shall fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. The
20 members shall receive no salary or other compensation for their services as
21 members, but shall receive their necessary traveling and other expenses incurred
22 while actually engaged in the discharge of their official duties.

Section B. Pursuant to Chapter 116, RSMo, and other applicable
2 constitutional provisions and laws of this state allowing the general assembly to
3 adopt ballot language for the submission of a joint resolution to the voters of this
4 state, the official ballot title of the amendment proposed in Section A shall be as
5 follows:

6 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to change the number of
7 members on the Conservation Commission from four to eight?"

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