

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 301

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR HOSKINS.

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 213.020, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the composition of the Missouri commission on human rights.

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

Section A. Section 213.020, RSMo, is repealed and one new
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 213.020,
3 to read as follows:

213.020. 1. There is hereby created a "Missouri
2 Commission on Human Rights". It shall consist of [eleven]
3 **nine** members, with no less than one from each of the
4 congressional districts of this state, serving without
5 compensation, to be appointed by the governor with the
6 advice and consent of the senate. One of the members shall
7 be appointed chairperson by the governor. Appointments to
8 the commission shall be for a term of six years. No more
9 than [six] **five** members at any one time shall be members of
10 the same political party. In the event of the death or
11 resignation of any member, his successor shall be appointed
12 to serve for the unexpired period of the term for which such
13 member had been appointed.

14 2. The function of the commission shall be to
15 encourage fair treatment for and to foster mutual
16 understanding and respect among, and to discourage
17 discrimination against, any racial, ethnic, religious or

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

18 other group protected by this chapter, members of these
19 groups or persons with disabilities.

20 3. Any local commission created and established prior
21 to August 13, 1986, by an ordinance adopted by the governing
22 body of any city, constitutional charter city, town,
23 village, or county, shall have the power and authority to
24 seek to eliminate and prevent discrimination in employment,
25 housing, and public accommodation, and to establish related
26 programs, which shall be certified by the commission as
27 substantially equivalent. The power and authority of such
28 commissions to initiate and pursue administrative
29 proceedings and remedies shall be solely as provided in
30 section 213.135.

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