

SENATE BILL NO. 1663

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 620.580, 620.582, 620.584, 620.586, 620.588, 620.590, and 620.592, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof seven new sections relating to the Missouri community service commission.

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

Section A. Sections 620.580, 620.582, 620.584, 620.586, 620.588, 620.590, and 620.592, RSMo, are repealed and seven new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 173.4000, 173.4002, 173.4004, 173.4006, 173.4008, 173.4010, and 173.4012, to read as follows:

[620.580.] **173.4000.** Sections [620.580] **173.4000** to [620.592] **173.4012** shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Community Service Act".

[620.582.] **173.4002.** As used in sections [620.580] **173.4000** to [620.592] **173.4012**, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Act", the national and community service act of 1990, as amended;
- (2) "Commission", the Missouri community service commission created by sections [620.580] **173.4000** to [620.592] **173.4012**;
- (3) "Community service programs", the performance of tasks designed primarily to address educational, public safety, human, or environmental needs at a local, regional, state, or multistate level;

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

12 (4) "Corporation", the corporation for national and
13 community service authorized by the act;

14 (5) "National service laws", the act and other federal
15 legislation that authorizes or may authorize community
16 service activities in states;

17 (6) "National service position", a placement in a
18 community service program whereby an individual may earn an
19 educational award, as authorized by the act.

[620.584.] **173.4004.** 1. The Missouri community
2 service commission is assigned to the department of
3 [economic development] **higher education and workforce**
4 **development.**

5 2. The commission is established to make community
6 service the common expectation and experience of all
7 Missourians with a special concentration on Missouri's young
8 people. The commission shall focus its efforts primarily on
9 issues related to education, public safety, human needs, and
10 the environment.

11 3. The commission shall work to renew the ethic of
12 civic responsibility in Missouri and to involve and enroll
13 citizens in service opportunities that benefit Missouri
14 while offering citizens skills that can be used to further
15 their own plans for education, for a career, or for
16 continuing community services. The commission shall build
17 on the existing organizational framework of state, local,
18 and community-based programs and agencies to expand full-
19 time and part-time service opportunities for all citizens,
20 but particularly Missouri's youth.

[620.586.] **173.4006.** 1. The commission shall include
2 at least fifteen, but no more than nineteen, voting members
3 appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the

4 senate. The commission shall include the following voting
5 members:

6 (1) A representative of local government;

7 (2) The commissioner of the department of elementary
8 and secondary education or the designee of such person;

9 (3) An individual with experience in promoting the
10 involvement of older adults in service and volunteerism;

11 (4) A representative of a national service program;

12 (5) An individual with expertise in the educational,
13 training, and development needs of youth, particularly
14 disadvantaged youth;

15 (6) An individual between the ages of sixteen and
16 twenty-five years who is a participant in or supervisor of a
17 service program for school-age youth, or a campus-based or
18 national service program;

19 (7) A representative of community-based agencies or
20 organizations in the state;

21 (8) A representative of labor organizations;

22 (9) A member representing the business community;

23 (10) The lieutenant governor or his or her designee;

24 (11) A representative of the volunteer sector; and

25 (12) Between four and eight other members, appointed
26 by the governor, provided that no more than twenty percent
27 of the voting members are officers or employees of the
28 state, and provided further that not more than fifty percent
29 plus one of the voting members of the commission are members
30 of the same political party.

31 2. The commission shall include at least one
32 nonvoting, ex officio member who shall be a representative
33 from the corporation for national and community service.

34 The governor may appoint any number of other nonvoting, ex

35 officio members who shall serve at the pleasure of the
36 governor.

37 3. Appointments to the commission shall reflect the
38 race, ethnicity, age, gender, and disability characteristics
39 of the population of the state as a whole.

40 4. Voting members shall serve renewable terms of three
41 years, except that of the first members appointed, one-third
42 shall serve for a term of one year, one-third shall serve
43 for a term of two years, and one-third shall serve for a
44 term of three years. If a commission vacancy occurs, the
45 governor shall appoint a new member to serve for the
46 remainder of the unexpired term. Vacancies shall not affect
47 the power of the remaining members to execute the
48 commission's duties.

49 5. The members of the commission shall receive no
50 compensation for their services on the commission, but shall
51 be reimbursed for ordinary and necessary expenses incurred
52 in the performance of their duties.

53 6. The voting members of the commission shall elect
54 one of their members to serve as chairperson of the
55 commission. The voting members may elect such other
56 officers as deemed necessary.

57 7. The commission shall meet at least quarterly.

[620.588.] 173.4008. 1. The commission shall have the
2 following powers and duties:

3 (1) To ensure that its funding decisions meet all
4 federal and state statutory requirements;

5 (2) To prepare for this state an annual national
6 service plan that follows state and federal guidelines;

7 (3) To recommend innovative statewide service programs
8 to increase volunteer participation and community-based

9 problem solving by all age groups and among diverse
10 participants;

11 (4) To utilize local, state, and federal resources to
12 initiate, strengthen, and expand quality service programs;

13 (5) To promote interagency collaboration to maximize
14 resources and develop a model of such collaboration on the
15 state level;

16 (6) To oversee the application process to apply for
17 corporation grants and funds, and for approval of service
18 positions;

19 (7) To establish priorities, policies, and procedures
20 for the use of funds received under national service laws
21 and for funds deposited into the community service
22 commission fund established in section [620.592] **173.4012**;

23 (8) To provide technical assistance for applicants to
24 plan and implement service programs and to apply for
25 assistance under the national service laws;

26 (9) To solicit and accept gifts, contributions,
27 grants, bequests, or other aid from any person, business,
28 organization or foundation, public or private, and from
29 federal, state or local government or any agency of federal,
30 state or local government.

31 2. The commission shall have other powers and duties
32 in addition to those listed in subsection 1 of this section,
33 including:

34 (1) To utilize staff within the department of
35 [economic development] **higher education and workforce**
36 **development**, the office of a designated statewide elected
37 official, or other executive departments as needed for this
38 purpose; and

39 (2) To enter into contracts with individuals,
40 organizations, and institutions within amounts available for
41 this purpose.

 [620.590.] 173.4010. 1. All state agencies, the
2 University of Missouri extension system, and any unit of
3 local government, including school districts, may share
4 information and cooperate with the commission to enable it
5 to perform the functions assigned to it by state and federal
6 law.

7 2. Any state agency that operates or plans to
8 establish a community service program may coordinate its
9 efforts with the commission.

 [620.592.] 173.4012. 1. There is hereby created in
2 the state treasury the "Community Service Commission Fund".
3 The state treasurer shall deposit to the credit of the fund
4 all moneys which may be appropriated to it by the general
5 assembly and also any gifts, contributions, grants,
6 bequests, or other aid received from federal, private, or
7 other sources. The general assembly may appropriate moneys
8 into the fund for the support of the commission and its
9 activities. Notwithstanding the provisions of section
10 33.080 to the contrary, moneys in the fund shall not revert
11 to the credit of the general revenue fund at the end of the
12 biennium.

13 2. The commission shall submit an annual report of its
14 activities to the speaker of the house of representatives,
15 the president pro tem of the senate, and the governor before
16 January thirty-first of each year.

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