

HB 1178 -- Missouri Conservation Commission

Sponsor: Phillips

This bill increases the number of Missouri Conservation Commission members from four to seven with not more than four members from the same political party. Each member must represent a different geographical region of the state including one from St. Louis and one from Kansas City. For the five remaining members, the Department of Conservation must divide the remainder of the state into five regions of substantially equal population. The members of the commission must have a knowledge of an interest in wildlife conservation.

The bill specifies the terms of office of the members and the procedure for filling a vacancy on the commission.

These provisions will only become effective upon the passage of a constitutional amendment authorizing the number, qualifications, and terms of the members of the commission to be fixed by law.