SECOND REGULAR SESSION

House Concurrent Resolution No. 63

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERSON.

AN ACT

Relating to the joint committee on solid waste management district operations.

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

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations was originally established pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 17 during the Ninety-Seventh General Assembly, Second Regular Session; and

WHEREAS, Senate Concurrent Resolution 17 established the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations to examine solid waste management district operations, including but not limited to efficiency, efficacy, and reasonableness of costs and expenses of such districts to Missouri taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations heard testimony from individuals, business owners, and various interested parties during September and December 2014; and

WHEREAS, after review and consideration of the testimony presented, the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations considered multiple legislative proposals relating to solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations held a public hearing on December 3, 2014, to receive comments on a draft Senate bill relating to solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the draft Senate bill was discussed and received support from multiple stakeholders, and such draft bill was filed by Senator Wallingford as Senate Bill 152 during the Ninety-Eighth General Assembly, First Regular Session; and
WHEREAS, the provisions of Senate Bill 152 were truly agreed to and finally passed in Senate Bill 445, sponsored by Senator Romine during the Ninety-Eighth General Assembly, First Regular Session; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations dissolved on December 31, 2014, but had further hearings to conduct and additional legislative alternatives to research, and was reauthorized by the General Assembly by Senate Concurrent Resolution 3 during the Ninety-Eighth General Assembly, First Regular Session; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations dissolved on December 31, 2016, but has further hearings to conduct relating to the implementation of the provisions of Senate Bill 445, as well as additional legislative alternatives relating to solid waste management district operations to research:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives of the One Hundredth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby establish the "Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations" to examine solid waste management district operations, including but not limited to efficiency, efficacy, and reasonableness of costs and expenses of such districts to Missouri taxpayers, and the implementation of the provisions of Senate Bill 445; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee on Solid Waste Management District Operations shall be composed of five members of the Senate, with no more than three members of one party, and five members of the House of Representatives, with no more than three members of one party. The Senate members of the Joint Committee shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the House members by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. A vacancy on the committee shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. The Joint Committee shall select either a chair or co-chair, one of whom shall be a member of the Senate and one a member of the House of Representatives. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum. Meetings of the Joint Committee may be called at such time and place as the chair or co-chair designates; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee may hold hearings as it deems advisable and may obtain any input or information necessary to fulfill its obligations. The Joint Committee may make reasonable requests for staff assistance from the research and
appropriations staffs of the Senate and House, as well as the Department of Natural Resources and representatives of solid waste management districts, but is not authorized to hire additional staff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee may prepare a final report, together with its recommendations for any legislative action deemed necessary, for submission to the General Assembly by December 31, 2025, at which time the Joint Committee shall be dissolved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members of the Joint Committee and any staff assigned to the Joint Committee shall receive reimbursement for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the Joint Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the actual expenses of the Joint Committee, its members, and any staff assigned to the Joint Committee incurred by the Joint Committee shall be paid by the Joint Contingent Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.