SECOND REGULAR SESSION HOUSE BILL NO. 2135

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MESSENGER.

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 226.040, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the appointment of the director of the department of transportation.

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

Section A. Section 226.040, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 226.040, to read as follows:

226.040. 1. The [state highways and transportation commission] governor, subject to the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint a chief executive officer with the title of 2 director of the Missouri department of transportation. The director shall serve at the pleasure of 3 the [commission] governor under article IV, section 17 of the Constitution of Missouri. The 4 director shall be a citizen and a resident of this state, shall have had executive management 5 experience for at least five years, and may be a registered professional engineer. The director's 6 duties shall include appointment of a chief engineer, a chief financial officer and other 7 8 department heads, engineers and other employees [as the commission may designate and deem 9 necessary. Under the direction of the commission,]. The director shall have general charge of, 10 and be responsible for, the overall operations and performance of the department. The director 11 shall provide quarterly to the commission at its regularly scheduled meetings a current unaudited written version of the report required in subsection 2 of section 21.795 with changes from the 12 13 most recent audited report clearly marked. Such report shall be made available to the public on the department of transportation's internet website. 14

15 2. The chief engineer shall be a registered professional engineer responsible for 16 preparation and approval of all engineering documents, plans and specifications and shall have

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

5602H.02I

HB 2135

17 general oversight of construction and maintenance work for the department as determined by the

18 director.

19 3. Engineers of the department responsible for supervising the activities of road and

- 20 bridge design, construction, maintenance and materials inspection and analysis shall be registered
- 21 professional engineers in this state.

1