

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 319

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 21.851, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the joint committee on disaster preparedness and awareness.

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

Section A. Section 21.851, RSMo, is repealed and one new
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 21.851,
3 to read as follows:

21.851. 1. There is hereby established a **permanent**
2 joint committee of the general assembly, which shall be
3 known as the "Joint Committee on Disaster Preparedness and
4 Awareness" and shall be composed of the following members:

5 (1) Three members of the senate to be appointed by the
6 president pro tempore of the senate;

7 (2) Two members of the senate to be appointed by the
8 minority floor leader of the senate;

9 (3) Three members of the house of representatives to
10 be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

11 **and**

12 (4) Two members of the house of representatives to be
13 appointed by the minority floor leader of the house of
14 representatives[;]

15 (5) The director of the department of public safety,
16 or his or her designee;

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

17 (6) The director of the department of agriculture, or
18 his or her designee; and

19 (7) The adjutant general of the state, or his or her
20 designee].

21 2. A majority of the members of the committee shall
22 constitute a quorum, but the concurrence of a majority of
23 the members shall be required for the determination of any
24 matter within the committee's duties.

25 3. The joint committee shall make a continuous study
26 and investigation into issues relating to disaster
27 preparedness and awareness including, but not limited to,
28 the following areas:

29 (1) Natural and manmade disasters;

30 (2) State and local preparedness for floods;

31 (3) State and local preparedness for tornados,
32 blizzards, and other severe storms;

33 (4) Food and energy resiliency;

34 (5) Cybersecurity;

35 (6) The budget reserve fund established under Article
36 IV, Section 27(a) of the Missouri Constitution;

37 (7) The protection of vulnerable populations in
38 intermediate care facilities and skilled nursing facilities
39 as those terms are defined in section 198.006; and

40 (8) Premises that have been previously contaminated
41 with radioactive material.

42 4. **The joint committee shall collect information from**
43 **the department of public safety, the department of**
44 **agriculture, and the office of adjutant general.**

45 5. The joint committee shall compile a full report of
46 its activities for submission to the general assembly. The
47 report shall be submitted not later than January first of
48 even-numbered years and may include any recommendations

49 which the committee may have for legislative action. The
50 report may also include an analysis and statement of the
51 manner in which statutory provisions relating to disaster
52 preparedness and awareness are being executed.

53 [5.] 6. The joint committee may employ such personnel
54 as it deems necessary to carry out the duties imposed by
55 this section, within the limits of any appropriation for
56 such purpose.

57 [6.] 7. The members of the committee shall serve
58 without compensation, but any actual and necessary expenses
59 incurred in the performance of the committee's official
60 duties by the joint committee, its members, and any staff
61 assigned to the committee shall be paid from the joint
62 contingent fund.

63 [7. This section shall expire on December 31, 2022]

64 **8. The joint committee shall select a chairperson and**
65 **vice-chairperson, one of whom shall be a member of the**
66 **senate and the other a member of the house of**
67 **representatives, to serve for a two-year term.**

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