

SENATE BILL NO. 397

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR REHDER.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 174.453, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to statewide missions of institutions of higher education.

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

Section A. Section 174.453, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 174.281 and 174.453, to read as follows:

174.281. Southeast Missouri State University is hereby designated and shall hereafter be operated as an institution with a statewide mission in the visual and performing arts, computer science, and cybersecurity.

174.453. 1. Except as provided in section 174.450 **and in subsection 6 of this section**, the board of governors shall be appointed as follows:

(1) Five voting members shall be selected from the counties comprising the institution's historic statutory service region as described in section 174.010, except that no more than two members shall be appointed from any one county with a population of less than two hundred thousand inhabitants;

(2) Two voting members shall be selected from any of the counties in the state which are outside of the institution's historic service region; and

(3) One nonvoting member who is a student shall be selected in the same manner as prescribed in section 174.055.

15 2. The term of service of the governors shall be as
16 follows:

17 (1) The voting members shall be appointed for terms of
18 six years; and

19 (2) The nonvoting student member shall serve a two-
20 year term.

21 3. Members of any board of governors selected pursuant
22 to this section and in office on May 13, 1999, shall serve
23 the remainder of their unexpired terms.

24 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of
25 this section, the board of governors of Missouri Southern
26 State University shall be appointed as follows:

27 (1) Six voting members shall be selected from any of
28 the following counties: Barton, Jasper, Newton, McDonald,
29 Dade, Lawrence, and Barry provided that no more than three
30 of these six members shall be appointed from any one county;

31 (2) Two voting members shall be selected from any of
32 the counties in the state which are outside of the counties
33 articulated in subdivision (1) of this subsection;

34 (3) One nonvoting member who is a student shall be
35 selected in the same manner as prescribed in section
36 174.055; and

37 (4) The provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this
38 subsection shall only apply to board members first appointed
39 after August 28, 2004.

40 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of
41 this section, the board of governors of Missouri Western
42 State University shall be appointed as follows:

43 (1) Five voting members shall be selected from any of
44 the following counties: Buchanan, Platte, Clinton, Andrew,
45 and DeKalb provided that no more than three of these five
46 members shall be appointed from any one county;

47 (2) Two voting members shall be selected from any of
48 the counties in the state which are outside of the counties
49 articulated in subdivision (1) of this subsection;

50 (3) One nonvoting member who is a student shall be
51 selected in the same manner as prescribed in section
52 174.055; and

53 (4) The provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this
54 subsection shall only apply to board members first appointed
55 after August 28, 2005.

56 **6. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1**
57 **of this section to the contrary, the board of governors of**
58 **Southeast Missouri State University shall be appointed as**
59 **follows:**

60 (a) Two voting members shall be selected from any of
61 the following counties: Butler, Dunklin, Mississippi, New
62 Madrid, Pemiscot, Scott, or Stoddard;

63 (b) Two voting members shall be selected from any of
64 the following counties: Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Madison,
65 Perry, Ste. Genevieve, or St. Francois;

66 (c) Two voting members shall be selected from any of
67 the following counties or areas: Franklin, Jefferson,
68 Lincoln, St. Charles, St. Louis, St. Louis City, or Warren;

69 (d) One voting member shall be selected from one of
70 the counties in the state; and

71 (e) One nonvoting member who is a student shall be
72 selected in the same manner as provided in section 174.055.

73 (2) The provisions of paragraphs (a) to (c) of
74 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall only apply to board
75 members first appointed after August 28, 2021.

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