



Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Policies

Category: COMMISSION
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RELATED INFORMATION FROM MISSOURI CONSTITUTION AND STATUTES

Missouri Constitution Article IV, Section 29

- *The Highways and Transportation Commission shall be in charge of the Department of Transportation. It shall have authority over the state highway system, all other transportation programs as provided by law, and it shall have authority to limit access to, from and across state highways and transportation facilities where the public interests and safety may require.*
- *Not more than one-half of the Highways and Transportation Commission members shall be of the same political party.*

Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 226.030 and 226.120

- *The Highways and Transportation Commission shall consist of six members who are appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.*
- *A Commission member must be a taxpayer and resident of Missouri for at least five years prior to appointment.*
- *Commissioners serve terms of six years or until a successor is appointed and qualified.*
 - *If a vacancy occurs in any term of a Commissioner due to death, resignation, or removal, the successor shall be appointed for only the remainder of the unexpired term.*
- *Commissioners may receive compensation in the amount of \$25 per day for time spent in the performance of their official duties.*
- *Commissioners may receive reimbursement for necessary traveling and other expenses incurred while engaged in the discharge of their official duties.*
- *Section 226.030 - The Commission will elect the two most senior members from opposing political parties as chair and vice chair for one year. At the end of such year, the members serving as chair and vice chair shall have the option to rotate positions.*
Section 226.120 – The members of the Commission shall elect a member as a chairman and another vice chairman, each of whom shall hold such office for a term prescribed by the Commission.

Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 226.033

Commissioners shall not:

- *Host or manage a political fund-raiser or solicit funds for any candidate who is seeking a statewide or nationally elected office.*
- *Serve on the board or chair any political action committee or political party committee.*

Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 226.090

- *Section 226.090 RSMo. 2000 prohibits actual conflicts of interest and provides, in part, that no MHTC member or MoDOT employee shall, directly or indirectly, have any pecuniary interest in, or act as agent for, the sale of road or bridge building material,*

equipment, tools, machinery or supplies, or in any contract for the construction or maintenance of state highways or bridges, or the financing thereof, or in any performance bond or workers' compensation or any other insurance furnished to MHTC, or insurance furnished to any person, firm or corporation contracting with MHTC.