

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 654

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROWLAND (155).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 620, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Schoolcraft Ozark exploration bicentennial commission.

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

Section A. Chapter 620, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 620.2100, to read as follows:

**620.2100. 1. There is hereby established the “Schoolcraft Ozark Exploration  
2 Bicentennial Commission”.**

**3 2. The commission shall consist of the following members:**

**4 (1) Two representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;**

**5 (2) Two senators appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate;**

**6 (3) One faculty member of Missouri State University appointed by university  
7 leadership;**

**8 (4) The director of the division of tourism or his or her designee;**

**9 (5) Two members representing historical societies within the area of exploration,  
10 one appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one appointed by the  
11 president pro tempore of the senate;**

**12 (6) Two members of the public appointed by the speaker of the house of  
13 representatives; and**

**14 (7) Two members of the public appointed by the president pro tempore of the  
15 senate.**

**16 3. Members of the commission shall be appointed by October 1, 2017.**

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.

17           **4. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation but shall be**  
18 **entitled to reimbursement from the fund established in this section for actual and necessary**  
19 **expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties. The division of tourism shall**  
20 **provide administrative support for the commission.**

21           **5. There is hereby established in the state treasury the "Schoolcraft Ozark**  
22 **Exploration Bicentennial Fund" to be held separate and apart from all other public**  
23 **moneys and funds of the state. The fund may accept state and federal appropriations,**  
24 **grants, bequests, gifts, fees, and awards to be held for use by the Schoolcraft Ozark**  
25 **exploration bicentennial commission. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to**  
26 **the contrary, moneys remaining in the fund at the end of any biennium shall not revert to**  
27 **general revenue. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with**  
28 **sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The state**  
29 **treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested.**  
30 **Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.**

31           **6. The duties of the commission shall include, but not be limited to:**

32           **(1) Organizing and coordinating efforts relating to the bicentennial celebration of**  
33 **the exploration of the Ozarks by Henry Rowe Schoolcraft in 1819; and**

34           **(2) Promoting public awareness of the importance and cultural significance of**  
35 **Schoolcraft's exploration to Missouri history.**

36           **7. The commission shall be dissolved and the provisions of this section shall expire**  
37 **on June 30, 2019.**

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