#### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 52

### 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing section 29 of article IV of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the department of transportation.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next

- 2 following the first Monday in November, 2002, or at a special election to be called by the 3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
- 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article IV of the Constitution of the state of
- 5 Missouri:

Section A. Section 29, article IV, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 29, to read as follows:

Section 29. The department of [highways and] transportation shall be in charge of a

- 2 [highways and transportation commission] director of transportation appointed by the
- 3 governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate. [The number, qualifications,
- 4 compensation and terms of the members of the highways and transportation commission shall
- 5 be fixed by law, and not more than one-half of its members shall be of the same political party.]
- 6 The selection and removal of all employees shall be without regard to political affiliation. The
- 7 [highways and transportation commission] department shall have authority over all state
- 8 transportation programs and facilities as provided by law, including, but not limited to, bridges,

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

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highways, aviation, railroads, mass transportation, ports, and waterborne commerce, and shall have authority to limit access to, from and across state highways where the public interest and safety may require. The present members of the highway commission shall serve as [members of the highways and transportation commission for the remainder of the terms for which they were appointed] such until a director has been appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. All references to the highway commission and the department of highways in this constitution and in the statutes shall mean the [highways and transportation commission]

director of transportation and the department of [highways and] transportation.