

HB 154 -- MISSOURI INNOCENCE COMMISSION

SPONSOR: Ellington

This bill establishes the "Missouri Innocence Commission," and it specifies the makeup of the membership. Each member shall serve for a term of three years or until a successor is appointed. Members of the commission shall be reimbursed for the actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of the members' official duties.

The commission shall analyze circumstances leading to innocent individuals being charged, prosecuted, convicted, and incarcerated, and it shall advise the legislature concerning causes and factors associated with such wrongful convictions, as well as evaluate current practices and make appropriate recommendations, as specified in the bill.

This bill is the same as HB 1778 (2018).