

Mississippi River Commission Bill House File 2645

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**House Appropriations
Committee**
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Executive Summary Only

An Act relating to the Mississippi River Parkway Commission.

**Fiscal Services Division
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SIGNIFICANT CODE CHANGES

Renames the Mississippi Parkway Planning Commission to the Mississippi River Parkway Commission and requires the 10 members to each reside in a different county adjacent to the Mississippi River. In addition, there must be four advisory ex officio members, including one from the following agencies:

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- Department of Transportation
- National Resource Commission
- Economic Development Authority, whose member's primary responsibility includes tourism under Iowa Code section [15.108\(5\)](#)
- State Historical Society of Iowa

Provides that members from the State Soil Conservation and Water Quality Committee, Landscape Architectural Division of the Iowa State University of Science and Technology, and Environmental Protection Commission are no longer ex officio members.

Requires the Planning Commission to submit a report on the economic impact of the Great River Road to the General Assembly and the Governor on or before December 15 of each year.

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Allows the Commission to establish a technical committee to advise the Commission. The members of the committee must include at least one person from each of the following agencies:

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- Department of Transportation
- Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
- Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General
- Economic Development Authority