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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to representation and residency requirements
2 for members of the state transportation commission, and
3 including effective date and applicability provisions.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 307A.1A, subsection 1, Code 2020, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. There is created a state transportation commission which
4 shall consist of seven members, not more than four of whom
5 shall be from the same political party. The governor shall
6 appoint the members of the state transportation commission
7 for a term of four years beginning at 12:01 a.m. on July 1
8 in the year of appointment and expiring at 12:00 midnight on
9 June 30 in the year of expiration, subject to confirmation by
10 the senate. For each of the six districts of the state as
11 divided by the department for purposes of the department's
12 highway division operations, one member shall be appointed to
13 represent, and shall reside in, the district. One member shall
14 be appointed to represent the state and shall reside in the
15 state.

16 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 307A.9 Residency requirement —
17 resignation from office.

18 A member of the commission appointed to represent the state
19 or a district of the state, as described in section 307A.1A,
20 who no longer resides in the state or the member's district,
21 as applicable, shall be deemed to have resigned from the
22 commission and the vacancy shall be filled as described in
23 section 307A.4.

24 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate
25 importance, takes effect upon enactment.

26 Sec. 4. APPLICABILITY AND TRANSITION PROVISIONS. This
27 Act applies to members of the state transportation commission
28 appointed and confirmed on or after the effective date of this
29 Act. The first six regular term appointments to the commission
30 made on or after the effective date of this Act shall be for the
31 six district representatives, as determined by the governor.
32 The seventh regular term appointment to the commission made
33 on or after the effective date of this Act shall be for the
34 representative of the state.

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EXPLANATION

1 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
2 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

3 For each of the six districts of the state as divided by the
4 department of transportation (DOT) for purposes of the DOT's
5 highway division operations, this bill requires one member
6 of the state transportation commission (STC) to be appointed
7 to represent, and to reside in, the district. The bill also
8 requires one member of the STC to be appointed to represent the
9 state and to reside in the state.

10 The bill provides that a member appointed to represent the
11 state or a district who no longer resides in the state or the
12 district, as applicable, shall be deemed to have resigned from
13 the STC and the vacancy shall be filled as provided by current
14 law.

15 The bill takes effect upon enactment, applies to members of
16 the STC appointed and confirmed on or after the effective date
17 of the bill, and sets forth transition provisions.