

HB 2568 -- HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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This bill changes the way in which members of the State Highways and Transportation Commission are selected.

Beginning December 1, 2026, the number of members of the Commission may be changed, but there cannot be more than one member from each Congressional district at the same time.

If congressional reapportionment results in the loss of a district, the most senior member of the Commission will serve the remainder of the member's term, and then that seat will no longer exist. If congressional reapportionment increases the number of districts, the number of members on the Commission will be increased by law to match the number of districts.

Members of the Commission will be appointed by the Governor, with not more than half of the members of the same political party.

No member can be appointed to replace a member from the same Congressional district, and no member can be appointed from a Congressional district until each district has been represented by a member at least once.

If the governor does not fill a vacancy on the Commission within 30 days, the vacancy for the unexpired term will be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Commission members from a list of 10 candidates provided by the House of Representatives and approved by the General Assembly. The vote and deliberations to fill the vacancy will be public.