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EXECUTIVE ORDER
05-05SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMISSIONS DIVISION

WHEREAS, the people of the state of Missouri are entitled to be served by an efficient, competent, responsive and effective state government; and

WHEREAS, the organization of Missouri's state government has not been completely reexamined from top-to-bottom in over three decades; and

WHEREAS, technological advancements and innovation in the last three decades have provided tools that can significantly enhance state government's efficiency and effectiveness for all Missourians if those tools are carefully examined and properly utilized; and

WHEREAS, structural changes and consolidation within state government may provide for cost savings, increased efficiency and better service for the citizens of Missouri.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the powers in me vested by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Missouri, do hereby create and establish the 2005 Missouri State Government Review Commission.

I hereby charge the 2005 Missouri State Government Review Commission with the task of reviewing every Executive Department within our state government to identify opportunities to restructure, retool, reduce, consolidate, or eliminate state government functions in accordance with what will result in the best and most cost-effective service for Missouri citizens.

The Commission shall evaluate the current structure and functions of Missouri state government and report on the following items:

1. Whether the current structure of each Executive Department lends itself to the provision of effective service to the citizens of Missouri;
2. What each Executive Department could do better to more efficiently and effectively fulfill its mission;
3. What tools are available today that would allow the Executive Departments to realize cost savings, increased efficiencies and better service for the citizens of Missouri; and
4. Whether there are any opportunities to consolidate functions and reduce duplicative tasks on an inter-departmental basis.

The Commission shall include in its report, recommendations for how inefficiencies should be addressed, costs cut, services improved, functions consolidated and duplicity reduced. The Commission shall also make suggestions for the elimination of outdated or burdensome regulations that impede the ability of the Executive Departments to be as efficient and effective as possible.

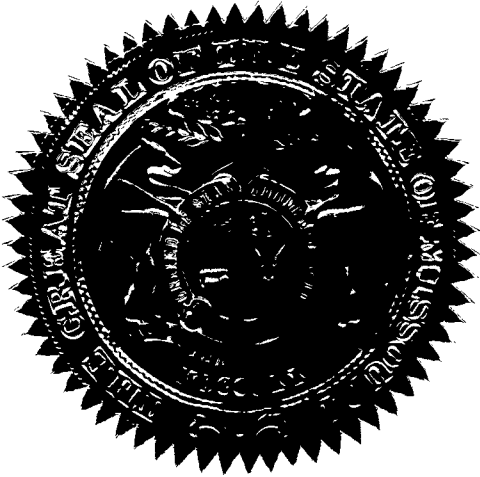
The Commission shall consist of twenty (20) individuals appointed by the Governor. The Governor shall designate two (2) of the members to act as Co-Chairs of the Commission. All members of the Commission shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for their service to the people of Missouri, but may seek reimbursement of their reasonable and necessary expenses incurred as members of the Commission, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Office of Administration.

The Commission is assigned for administrative purposes to the Office of Administration. The Commissioner of the Office of Administration or his designee shall be available to assist the Commission as necessary, and shall provide the Commission with any staff assistance the Commission may require from time to time. All Departments in the Executive Branch of Missouri state government are directed to cooperate with the Commission, and shall provide such assistance to the Commission as it shall request.

The Board of Curators of the University of Missouri shall act as fiscal agent for the Commission. Through the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri, and consistent with procedures established by them, the Commission may accept gifts and donations of resources, which shall be devoted, solely to the purposes of the Commission, and expended only with Commission approval. Through the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri, the Commission is authorized to enter into contracts with public or private entities for the purpose of receiving federal and private funds which may be spent for the Commission's purposes as outlined herein.

The 2005 Missouri State Government Review Commission shall meet at the call of its Chairs, and the Chairs shall call a meeting as soon as possible. The Commission shall produce a plan outlining the steps it intends to take to implement its charge outlined herein and submit that to me within 60 days of its first meeting. The Commission shall issue its report and recommendations as soon as practicable, but in no case later than one year from the creation of the Commission unless otherwise agreed to by me.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 24th day of January, 2005.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Matt Blunt'.

Matt Blunt
Governor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robin Carnahan'.

Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State