

## **IC 14-20-15**

### Chapter 15. Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission

#### **IC 14-20-15-1**

##### **"Bicentennial" defined**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "bicentennial" refers to the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-2**

##### **"Commission" defined**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the Lewis and Clark bicentennial commission established by section 3 of this chapter.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-3**

##### **Establishment of commission**

Sec. 3. The Lewis and Clark bicentennial commission is established.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-3.3**

##### **Commission is successor to Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission; service of members**

Sec. 3.3. (a) The commission is the successor in interest to all property, rights, contracts, liabilities, obligations, and duties of the Lewis and Clark bicentennial commission established by P.L.7-2001.

(b) A member of the Lewis and Clark bicentennial commission established by P.L.7-2001 becomes a member of the commission without reappointment by the appointing authority. However, the member continues to serve on the commission at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

*As added by P.L.220-2011, SEC.297.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-4**

##### **Membership**

Sec. 4. The commission consists of the following members:

- (1) Six (6) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. Not more than three (3) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party.
- (2) Six (6) members of the senate, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate. Not more than three (3) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party.
- (3) The governor or the governor's designee.
- (4) The director of the department of natural resources or the director's designee.
- (5) One (1) employee of the office of tourism development with

expertise in the tourism or film industry, to be designated by the director of the office of tourism development.

(6) One (1) member of the Indiana historical society, to be appointed by the governor.

(7) Three (3) Indiana citizens, to be appointed by the governor.

Not more than two (2) members appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5. Amended by P.L.229-2005, SEC.17.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-5**

##### **Chair**

Sec. 5. The governor or the governor's designee shall act as the chair of the commission.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-6**

##### **Permissible activities**

Sec. 6. The commission may do the following:

(1) Educate Indiana residents and the nation about Indiana's important role in the Lewis and Clark expedition.

(2) Assist local governments and organizations with planning, preparation, and grant applications for bicentennial events and projects.

(3) Coordinate state, local, and nonprofit organizations' bicentennial activities occurring in Indiana.

(4) Act as a point of contact for national bicentennial organizations wishing to distribute information to state and local groups about grant opportunities, meetings, and national events.

(5) Plan and implement appropriate events to commemorate the bicentennial.

(6) Seek federal grants and philanthropic support for bicentennial activities.

(7) Perform other duties necessary to highlight Indiana's role in the Lewis and Clark expedition.

(8) Recommend the establishment of a nonprofit corporation under section 7 of this chapter.

(9) Transfer funds received under IC 9-18-47 and other property to a nonprofit corporation established under section 7 of this chapter.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-7**

##### **Nonprofit corporation to assist commission**

Sec. 7. (a) The commission may recommend the establishment of a nonprofit corporation under IC 23-17 that is:

(1) tax exempt; and

(2) historically oriented;

to assist in the duties and purposes of the commission.

(b) If a corporation is established under subsection (a), the corporation shall:

- (1) operate exclusively for the benefit of;
- (2) perform the functions of; and
- (3) carry out the purposes of;

the commission.

(c) A corporation established under this section shall submit to the commission quarterly reports of the corporation's activities during the period. The reports must include the following:

- (1) A record of the following:
  - (A) All money or other property received by the corporation as a donation, gift, devise, or bequest.
  - (B) The conditions attached to the donation, gift, devise, or bequest, if any.
- (2) A record of all expenditures by the corporation during the period and the purposes of each expenditure.
- (3) A statement of activities the corporation anticipates undertaking during the following period.

(d) The corporation established under this section is subject to audit by the state board of accounts.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-8**

##### **Department of natural resources; staff**

Sec. 8. The department of natural resources shall staff the commission.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-9**

##### **Expenses paid from Lewis and Clark bicentennial fund**

Sec. 9. The expenses of the commission shall be paid from the money transferred to the commission from the Lewis and Clark bicentennial fund established by IC 9-18-47.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-10**

##### **Salary per diem; traveling and other expenses**

Sec. 10. (a) Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(b) Each member of the commission who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget

agency.

(c) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-11**

##### **Voting and nonvoting members; term of members**

Sec. 11. (a) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is a nonvoting member.

(b) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members appointed to the commission are required for the commission to take action on any measure, including final reports.

(c) A member of the commission serves at the pleasure of the person who appointed the member.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-12**

##### **Citizen advisory board**

Sec. 12. The commission may establish a citizen advisory board to assist the commission in implementing this chapter. If the commission establishes a citizen advisory board under this section, the following apply:

(1) The board consists of the following members:

(A) Not more than seven (7) citizens appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(B) Not more than seven (7) citizens appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(C) Not more than seven (7) citizens appointed by the governor.

(2) The board has the duties determined by the commission.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*

#### **IC 14-20-15-13**

##### **Public money acquired by the commission; accounts; penalties**

Sec. 13. (a) Money acquired by the commission is subject to Indiana law concerning the deposit and safekeeping of public money.

(b) The money of the commission and the accounts of each officer, employee, or other person entrusted by law with the raising, disposition, or expenditure of the money or part of the money is subject to the following:

(1) Examination by the state board of accounts.

(2) The same penalties and the same provision for publicity that are provided by law for state money and state officers.

*As added by P.L.54-2004, SEC.5.*