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This bill permits the Saint Louis County Board to designate a two-year term for county commissioner district 7, which is subject to election at the 2014 general election. For elections after 2014 for that district, the term is to be four years.

This adjustment would provide for staggered terms consistent with the requirements of law related to staggered terms following a redistricting. Of the current seven seats on the Saint Louis County Board, four seats are subject to election in 2014 (including district 7) and three seats are subject to election in 2016. Based on current district boundaries, this adjustment would effectively stagger terms for members of the county board representing Iron Range communities.

The bill would be effective upon local approval, and applies until a new redistricting plan is filed as required by law.