

**359.02 TERM.**

A notary commissioned under section 359.01 holds office for five years, unless sooner removed by the governor or the district court, or by action of the commissioner. Within 60 days before the expiration of the commission, a notary may apply for reappointment for a new term to commence and to be designated in the new commission as beginning upon the day immediately following the date of the expiration. A notary whose commission expires on January 1, 2005, may apply for reappointment six months before the expiration date. The reappointment takes effect and is valid although the appointing governor may not be in the Office of Governor on the effective day.

All notary commissions expire on January 31 of the fifth year following the year of issue.

**History:** (6938) *RL s 2657; 1953 c 63 s 1; 1984 c 504 s 2; 1986 c 444; 1989 c 6 s 1; 1989 c 189 s 1; 1993 c 354 s 3; 1993 c 369 s 128; 1994 c 465 art 3 s 72; 1996 c 439 art 1 s 24; 1999 c 11 art 4 s 1; 2001 c 208 s 25*