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# SENATE BILL NO. 561

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 541.033, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the county in which certain offenses are prosecuted.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 541.033, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 541.033, to read as follows:

541.033. 1. Persons accused of committing offenses against the laws of this state, except as may be otherwise provided by law, shall be prosecuted:

(1) In the county in which the offense is committed; or

(2) If the offense is committed partly in one county and partly in another, or if the elements of the crime occur in more than one county, then in any of the counties where any element of the offense occurred.

2. Persons accused of committing [the] offenses [of identity theft against the laws of this state in sections 570.223, 570.224, and 575.120] **under chapter 570** shall be prosecuted:

(1) In the county in which the offense is committed;

(2) If the offense is committed partly in one county and partly in another, or if the elements of the offense occur in more than one county, then in any of the counties where any element of the offense occurred;

(3) In the county in which the victim resides **or conducts business**; or

(4) In the county in which the property obtained or attempted to be obtained was located.

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**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**