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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 174.335, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to meningococcal disease.

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

Section A. Section 174.335, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 174.335, to read as follows:

174.335. 1. Beginning with the 2004-05 school year and for each school
2 year thereafter, every public institution of higher education in this state shall
3 require all students who reside in on-campus housing to have received the
4 meningococcal vaccine **not more than five years prior to enrollment and**
5 **in accordance with the latest recommendations of the Advisory**
6 **Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease**
7 **Control and Prevention**, unless a signed statement of medical or religious
8 exemption is on file with the institution's administration. A student shall be
9 exempted from the immunization requirement of this section upon signed
10 certification by a physician licensed under chapter 334 indicating that either the
11 immunization would seriously endanger the student's health or life or the student
12 has documentation of the disease or laboratory evidence of immunity to the
13 disease. A student shall be exempted from the immunization requirement of this
14 section if he or she objects in writing to the institution's administration that
15 immunization violates his or her religious beliefs.

16 2. Each public university or college in this state shall maintain records
17 on the meningococcal vaccination status of every student residing in on-campus
18 housing at the university or college.

19 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring any institution
20 of higher education to provide or pay for vaccinations against meningococcal

21 disease.

22 **4. For purposes of this section, the term "on-campus housing"**
23 **shall include, but not be limited to, any fraternity or sorority residence,**
24 **whether privately owned or not, on or near the campus of a public**
25 **institution of higher education.**

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