## FIRST REGULAR SESSION

## SENATE BILL NO. 236

## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SIMS.

Read 1st time January 3, 2001, and 1,000 copies ordered printed.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

0889S.01I

## AN ACT

To repeal section 453.072, RSMo 2000, relating to adoption subsidies, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the same subject.

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

Section A. Section 453.072, RSMo 2000, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 453.072, to read as follows:

453.072. Any subsidies available to adoptive parents pursuant to section 453.073 and section 453.074 shall also be available to a qualified relative of a child who is granted legal guardianship of the child in the same manner as such subsidies are available for adoptive parents. As used in this section "relative" means any grandparent, aunt, uncle [or], adult sibling of the child **or adult first cousin**.