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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 313, RSMo, by adding thereto four new sections relating to gambling.

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

Section A. Chapter 313, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto four new sections, to be known as sections 313.950, 313.953, 313.956 and 313.959, to read as follows:

313.950. As used in sections 313.950 to 313.959, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Department", the department within the University of Missouri-Columbia which supervises and administers the conduct of the study;**
- (2) "Director", the study director appointed by the dean or other managing director of the department;**
- (3) "University", the University of Missouri-Columbia.**

313.953. 1. The university shall conduct a comprehensive legal and factual study of gambling in this state and existing policies and practices with respect to the legalization or prohibition of gambling activities and shall formulate and propose necessary and appropriate changes in those policies and practices. The university may seek the cooperation of any agency within the state of Missouri or within any other state in obtaining information regarding any aspect or effect of gambling activities.

2. The study shall include, but is not limited to:

- (1) The economic impact of gambling on the state of Missouri and on the political subdivisions of this state;**
- (2) The economic impact of gambling on other businesses;**
- (3) An assessment and review of the political contributions and influences of gambling businesses and promoters on the development of public policy regulating**

gambling;

(4) An assessment of the relationship between gambling and crime;

(5) An assessment of the impact of pathological or problem gambling on individuals, families, social institutions, criminal activity, and the economy;

(6) A review of the demographics of gamblers;

(7) A review of the effectiveness of existing practices in law enforcement, judicial administration, and corrections to combat and deter illegal gambling and illegal activities related to gambling;

(8) A review of the costs and effectiveness of state and federal gambling regulatory policy; and

(9) Other relevant issues and topics as considered appropriate by the university.

3. The university shall complete its study and submit its final report to the governor and the general assembly not later than January 31, 2004. The final report shall contain a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions of the university with its recommendations for legislation and administrative actions as the university deems appropriate.

313.956. 1. The director may hold hearings, administer oaths, take testimony, receive evidence, and require by subpoena the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of materials as the director considers advisable to carry out the purposes of sections 313.950 to 313.959. A subpoena of the director shall be served in the manner provided for a subpoena issued by a circuit court pursuant to Missouri rules of civil procedure. A subpoena may be served anywhere in the judicial district in which the person required to be served resides or may be found. A subpoena shall state the time and place a person is required to appear, be signed by the director, and be attested to by the director.

2. Upon request of the director, the head of any state agency shall furnish the director with the information considered necessary by the director to carry out the provisions of sections 313.950 to 313.959.

3. The director shall appoint and terminate the employment of any additional personnel as may be necessary to carry out the study.

313.959. 1. Up to fifty thousand dollars may be appropriated to the university to fund the study pursuant to sections 313.950 to 313.959.

2. Any money appropriated for the purposes of sections 313.950 to 313.959, which remains unused as of January 1, 2004, shall be transferred and placed to the credit of the state general revenue fund pursuant to section 33.080, RSMo.

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