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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a food recovery program.

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

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 192.081, to read as follows:

- 192.081. 1. For purposes of this section, the term "donor" shall mean any restaurant, cafeteria, fast food restaurant, delicatessen or other facility principally engaged in selling food for consumption on the premises.
- 2. It is the intent of the general assembly that each potential donor, to the greatest extent possible and practicable, make available to any bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization, to any representative or volunteer acting on behalf of such organization, to an uncompensated person acting in a philanthropic manner providing services similar to those of such an organization, or to a transporter of any surplus or excess canned or perishable food for use by such organization or person to feed homeless persons or other persons who are in need of food and are otherwise unable to provide food for themselves. In achieving this intent, the following provisions shall apply:
- (1) Each donor shall make every reasonable effort to contact charitable or nonprofit organizations in the community in which the donor operates in order to provide for the collection by such organizations of any surplus or excess canned food or perishable food from the donor;
 - (2) Each charitable or nonprofit organization in this state which provides to

the community in which it operates food for persons who are in need of food or are otherwise unable to provide food for themselves, or which collects and transports such food to such organizations, shall make every reasonable effort to contact any donors within the organization's area of operations for purposes of collecting any surplus or excess canned food or perishable food for use in providing such services.

- 3. The department of health and senior services shall develop a public-information brochure detailing the need of food-recovery programs, the benefit of food-recovery programs, the manner in which such organizations may become involved in food-recovery programs and the food-recovery entities or food banks that exist in the state. This brochure must be updated annually.
- 4. The department of health and senior services shall submit to the governor, the president pro tem of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives by November 1, 2003, a report summarizing state efforts in food recovery and recommending legislative action to enhance such efforts.

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