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AN ACT

To repeal sections 67.1360 and 94.902, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to certain taxes imposed by local governments.

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

Section A. Sections 67.1360 and 94.902, RSMo, are repealed and four new

- 2 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 67.1360, 94.271, 94.902,
- 3 and 137.1040, to read as follows:

67.1360. The governing body of:

- 2 (1) A city with a population of more than seven thousand and less than
- 3 seven thousand five hundred;
- 4 (2) A county with a population of over nine thousand six hundred and less
- 5 than twelve thousand which has a total assessed valuation of at least sixty-three
- 6 million dollars, if the county submits the issue to the voters of such county prior
- 7 to January 1, 2003;
- 8 (3) A third class city which is the county seat of a county of the third
- 9 classification without a township form of government with a population of at least
- 10 twenty-five thousand but not more than thirty thousand inhabitants;
- 11 (4) Any fourth class city having, according to the last federal decennial
- 12 census, a population of more than one thousand eight hundred fifty inhabitants
- 13 but less than one thousand nine hundred fifty inhabitants in a county of the first
- 14 classification with a charter form of government and having a population of
- 15 greater than six hundred thousand but less than nine hundred thousand
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- 17 (5) Any city having a population of more than three thousand but less
 18 than eight thousand inhabitants in a county of the fourth classification having
 19 a population of greater than forty-eight thousand inhabitants;
- 20 (6) Any city having a population of less than two hundred fifty inhabitants 21 in a county of the fourth classification having a population of greater than 22 forty-eight thousand inhabitants;
- 23 (7) Any fourth class city having a population of more than two thousand 24 five hundred but less than three thousand inhabitants in a county of the third 25 classification having a population of more than twenty-five thousand but less 26 than twenty-seven thousand inhabitants;
- 27 (8) Any third class city with a population of more than three thousand two 28 hundred but less than three thousand three hundred located in a county of the 29 third classification having a population of more than thirty-five thousand but less 30 than thirty-six thousand;
- 31 (9) Any county of the second classification without a township form of 32 government and a population of less than thirty thousand;
- 33 (10) Any city of the fourth class in a county of the second classification 34 without a township form of government and a population of less than thirty 35 thousand;
 - (11) Any county of the third classification with a township form of government and a population of at least twenty-eight thousand but not more than thirty thousand;
- 39 (12) Any city of the fourth class with a population of more than one 40 thousand eight hundred but less than two thousand in a county of the third 41 classification with a township form of government and a population of at least 42 twenty-eight thousand but not more than thirty thousand;
- 43 (13) Any city of the third class with a population of more than seven 44 thousand two hundred but less than seven thousand five hundred within a county 45 of the third classification with a population of more than twenty-one thousand but 46 less than twenty-three thousand;
- 47 (14) Any fourth class city having a population of more than two thousand 48 eight hundred but less than three thousand one hundred inhabitants in a county 49 of the third classification with a township form of government having a 50 population of more than eight thousand four hundred but less than nine thousand 51 inhabitants;
- 52 (15) Any fourth class city with a population of more than four hundred

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- 53 seventy but less than five hundred twenty inhabitants located in a county of the third classification with a population of more than fifteen thousand nine hundred 54 55 but less than sixteen thousand inhabitants;
 - (16) Any third class city with a population of more than three thousand eight hundred but less than four thousand inhabitants located in a county of the third classification with a population of more than fifteen thousand nine hundred but less than sixteen thousand inhabitants;
 - (17) Any fourth class city with a population of more than four thousand three hundred but less than four thousand five hundred inhabitants located in a county of the third classification without a township form of government with a population greater than sixteen thousand but less than sixteen thousand two hundred inhabitants;
- (18) Any fourth class city with a population of more than two thousand four hundred but less than two thousand six hundred inhabitants located in a 66 county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of more than fifty-five thousand but less than sixty thousand inhabitants;
 - (19) Any fourth class city with a population of more than two thousand five hundred but less than two thousand six hundred inhabitants located in a county of the third classification with a population of more than nineteen thousand one hundred but less than nineteen thousand two hundred inhabitants;
 - (20) Any county of the third classification without a township form of government with a population greater than sixteen thousand but less than sixteen thousand two hundred inhabitants;
- 77 (21) Any county of the second classification with a population of more than forty-four thousand but less than fifty thousand inhabitants; 78
- (22) Any third class city with a population of more than nine thousand 79 80 five hundred but less than nine thousand seven hundred inhabitants located in 81 a county of the first classification without a charter form of government and with a population of more than one hundred ninety-eight thousand but less than one 82 83 hundred ninety-eight thousand two hundred inhabitants;
- 84 (23) Any city of the fourth classification with more than five thousand two 85 hundred but less than five thousand three hundred inhabitants located in a county of the third classification without a township form of government and with 86 more than twenty-four thousand five hundred but less than twenty-four thousand 87 six hundred inhabitants; 88

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- 89 (24) Any third class city with a population of more than nineteen 90 thousand nine hundred but less than twenty thousand in a county of the first 91 classification without a charter form of government and with a population of more 92 than one hundred ninety-eight thousand but less than one hundred ninety-eight 93 thousand two hundred inhabitants;
- 94 (25) Any city of the fourth classification with more than two thousand six 95 hundred but less than two thousand seven hundred inhabitants located in any 96 county of the third classification without a township form of government and with 97 more than fifteen thousand three hundred but less than fifteen thousand four 98 hundred inhabitants;
- 99 (26) Any county of the third classification without a township form of 100 government and with more than fourteen thousand nine hundred but less than 101 fifteen thousand inhabitants;
 - (27) Any city of the fourth classification with more than five thousand four hundred but fewer than five thousand five hundred inhabitants and located in more than one county;
 - (28) Any city of the fourth classification with more than six thousand three hundred but fewer than six thousand five hundred inhabitants and located in more than one county through the creation of a tourism district which may include, in addition to the geographic area of such city, the area encompassed by the portion of the school district, located within a county of the first classification with more than ninety-three thousand eight hundred but fewer than ninety-three thousand nine hundred inhabitants, having an average daily attendance for school year 2005-06 between one thousand eight hundred and one thousand nine hundred;
 - (29) Any city of the fourth classification with more than seven thousand seven hundred but less than seven thousand eight hundred inhabitants located in a county of the first classification with more than ninety-three thousand eight hundred but less than ninety-three thousand nine hundred inhabitants;
- 118 (30) Any city of the fourth classification with more than two thousand 119 nine hundred but less than three thousand inhabitants located in a county of the 120 first classification with more than seventy-three thousand seven hundred but less 121 than seventy-three thousand eight hundred inhabitants;
- 122 (31) Any city of the third classification with more than nine thousand 123 three hundred but less than nine thousand four hundred inhabitants; [or]
- 124 (32) Any city of the fourth classification with more than three thousand

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eight hundred but fewer than three thousand nine hundred inhabitants and located in any county of the first classification with more than thirty-nine thousand seven hundred but fewer than thirty-nine thousand eight hundred inhabitants;

- (33) Any fourth class city with a population of more than one thousand eight hundred but less than one thousand nine hundred inhabitants located in a county of the first classification with a population of more than one hundred thirty-five thousand but less than one hundred thirty-six thousand inhabitants; or
- (34) Any city of the fourth classification with more than three thousand eight hundred but fewer than four thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county;

137 may impose a tax on the charges for all sleeping rooms paid by the transient 138 guests of hotels, motels, bed and breakfast inns and campgrounds and any 139 docking facility which rents slips to recreational boats which are used by transients for sleeping, which shall be at least two percent, but not more than 140 141 five percent per occupied room per night, except that such tax shall not become effective unless the governing body of the city or county submits to the voters of 142 the city or county at a state general, primary or special election, a proposal to 143 144 authorize the governing body of the city or county to impose a tax pursuant to the 145 provisions of this section and section 67.1362. The tax authorized by this section and section 67.1362 shall be in addition to any charge paid to the owner or 146 147operator and shall be in addition to any and all taxes imposed by law and the proceeds of such tax shall be used by the city or county solely for funding the 148 promotion of tourism. Such tax shall be stated separately from all other charges 149 150 and taxes.

94.271. 1. The governing body of any city of the fourth classification with more than twenty-four thousand eight hundred but fewer than twenty-five thousand inhabitants may impose a tax on the charges for all sleeping rooms paid by the transient guests of hotels or motels situated in the city or a portion thereof, which shall not be more than five percent per occupied room per night, except that such tax shall not become effective unless the governing body of the city submits to the voters of the city at a state general or primary election a proposal to authorize the governing body of the city to impose a tax under this section. The tax authorized in this section shall be in

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addition to the charge for the sleeping room and all other taxes imposed by law, and the proceeds of such tax shall be used by the city for the promotion of tourism. Such tax shall be stated separately from all other charges and taxes.

2. The ballot of submission for the tax authorized in this section

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23 If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters 24 voting thereon are in favor of the question, then the tax shall become

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effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the election was held. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the question, then the tax authorized by this section shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters of the city and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the city voting on the question.

3. As used in this section, "transient guests" means a person or persons who occupy a room or rooms in a hotel or motel for thirty-one days or less during any calendar quarter.

94.902. 1. The governing body of any city of the third classification with more than twenty-six thousand three hundred but less than twenty-six thousand seven hundred inhabitants, or any city of the fourth classification with more than thirty thousand three hundred but fewer than thirty thousand seven hundred inhabitants, or any city of the fourth classification with more than twenty-four thousand eight hundred but fewer than twenty-five thousand inhabitants, may impose, by order or ordinance, a sales tax on all retail sales made in the city which are subject to taxation under chapter 144, RSMo. The tax authorized in this section may be imposed in an amount of up to one-half of one percent, and shall be imposed solely for the purpose of improving the public safety for such city, including but not limited to expenditures on

12 equipment, city employee salaries and benefits, and facilities for police, fire and

13 emergency medical providers. The tax authorized in this section shall be in

14 addition to all other sales taxes imposed by law, and shall be stated separately

15 from all other charges and taxes. The order or ordinance imposing a sales tax

16 under this section shall not become effective unless the governing body of the city

17 submits to the voters residing within the city, at a county or state general,

18 primary, or special election, a proposal to authorize the governing body of the city

19 to impose a tax under this section.

20 2. The ballot of submission for the tax authorized in this section shall be 21 in substantially the following form:

22 Shall the city of (city's name) impose a

23 citywide sales tax at a rate of (insert rate of percent) percent for the

24 purpose of improving the public safety of the city?

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26 If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "YES". If you

27 are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "NO".

28 If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the qualified voters voting

29 thereon are in favor of the proposal, then the ordinance or order and any

30 amendments to the order or ordinance shall become effective on the first day of

31 the second calendar quarter after the director of revenue receives notice of the

32 adoption of the sales tax. If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the

33 qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the proposal, then the tax shall not

34 become effective unless the proposal is resubmitted under this section to the

35 qualified voters and such proposal is approved by a majority of the qualified

voters voting on the proposal. However, in no event shall a proposal under this

section be submitted to the voters sooner than twelve months from the date of the

last proposal under this section.

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3. Any sales tax imposed under this section shall be administered, collected, enforced, and operated as required in section 32.087, RSMo. All sales taxes collected by the director of the department of revenue under this section on behalf of any city, less one percent for cost of collection which shall be deposited in the state's general revenue fund after payment of premiums for surety bonds as provided in section 32.087, RSMo, shall be deposited in a special trust fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury, to be known as the "City Public Safety Sales Tax Trust Fund". The moneys in the trust fund shall not be deemed

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47 to be state funds and shall not be commingled with any funds of the state. The provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding, money in 49 this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of the general revenue fund. The director shall keep accurate records of the amount of money in the 50 trust fund and which was collected in each city imposing a sales tax under this 51 52section, and the records shall be open to the inspection of officers of the city and the public. Not later than the tenth day of each month the director shall distribute all moneys deposited in the trust fund during the preceding month to 54 the city which levied the tax. Such funds shall be deposited with the city 55 treasurer of each such city, and all expenditures of funds arising from the trust 56 fund shall be by an appropriation act to be enacted by the governing body of each 57 such city. Expenditures may be made from the fund for any functions authorized 58 in the ordinance or order adopted by the governing body submitting the tax to the 59 voters. If the tax is repealed, all funds remaining in the special trust fund shall 60 61 continue to be used solely for the designated purposes. Any funds in the special 62 trust fund which are not needed for current expenditures shall be invested in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on 63 64 such investments shall be credited to the fund.

- 4. The director of the department of revenue may authorize the state treasurer to make refunds from the amounts in the trust fund and credited to any city for erroneous payments and overpayments made, and may redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such cities. If any city abolishes the tax, the city shall notify the director of the action at least ninety days before the effective date of the repeal, and the director may order retention in the trust fund, for a period of one year, of two percent of the amount collected after receipt of such notice to cover possible refunds or overpayment of the tax and to redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such accounts. After one year has elapsed after the effective date of abolition of the tax in such city, the director shall remit the balance in the account to the city and close the account of that city. The director shall notify each city of each instance of any amount refunded or any check redeemed from receipts due the city.
- 5. The governing body of any city that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section may submit the question of repeal of the tax to the voters on any date available for elections for the city. The ballot of submission shall be in substantially the following form:

82 Shall (insert the name of the city) repeal the

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83 sales tax imposed at a rate of (insert rate of percent) percent for the 84 purpose of improving the public safety of the city?

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- 6. Whenever the governing body of any city that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section receives a petition, signed by ten percent of the registered voters of the city voting in the last gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the sales tax imposed under this section, the governing body shall submit to the voters of the city a proposal to repeal the tax. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the tax shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.
- 7. Except as modified in this section, all provisions of sections 32.085 and 32.087, RSMo, shall apply to the tax imposed under this section.

137.1040. 1. In addition to other levies authorized by law, the county commission in counties not adopting an alternative form of government and the proper administrative body in counties adopting an alternative form of government, or the governing body of any city, town, or village, in their discretion may levy an additional tax, not to exceed one quarter of one cent on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation, on all taxable real property located within such city, town, village, or county, all of such tax to be collected and allocated to the city, town, village, or county treasury, where it shall be known and designated as the "Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund" to be used for the upkeep and maintenance of cemeteries located within such city, town, village, or county.

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13 2. To the extent necessary to comply with article X, section 22(a) of the Missouri Constitution, for any city, town, village, or county with 14 a tax levy at or above the limitations provided under article X, section 11(b), no ordinance adopted under this section shall become effective unless the county commission or proper administrative body of the 17county, or governing body of the city, town, or village submits to the 18 19 voters of the city, town, village, or county at a state general, primary, 20 or special election a proposal to authorize the imposition of a tax under 21this section. The tax authorized under this section shall be levied and 22collected in the same manner as other real property taxes are levied 23and collected within the city, town, village, or county. Such tax shall be in addition to all other taxes imposed on real property, and shall be 2425stated separately from all other charges and taxes. Such tax shall not 26become effective unless the county commission or proper administrative body of the county or governing body of the city, town, 27 or village, by order or ordinance, submits to the voters of the county a 2829 proposal to authorize the city, town, village, or county to impose a tax under this section on any day available for such city, town, village, or 30 county to hold elections or at a special election called for that purpose. 31

3. The ballot of submission for the tax authorized in this section 33 shall be in substantially the following form:

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If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the question, then the tax shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter immediately following notification to the city, town, village, or county collector. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the question, then the tax shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under

this section to the qualified voters and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

- 4. The tax imposed under this section shall be known as the 51"Cemetery Maintenance Tax". Each city, town, village, or county 52imposing a tax under this section shall establish separate trust funds 53 54 to be known as the "Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund". The city, town, 55 village, or county treasurer shall deposit the revenue derived from the tax imposed under this section for cemetery purposes in the city, town, 5657village, or county cemetery maintenance trust fund. The proceeds of 58 such tax shall be appropriated by the county commission or appropriate administrative body, or the governing body of the city, 59 60 town, or village exclusively for the maintenance, upkeep, and 61 preservation of cemeteries located within the county.
- 5. All applicable provisions in this chapter relating to property tax shall apply to the collection of any tax imposed under this section.

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