SENATE BILL NO. 932

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SHOEMYER.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary,

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 21, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to accessibility of offices in the state capitol.

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

Section A. Chapter 21, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 21.438, to read as follows:

- 21.438. 1. Beginning October 1, 2010, all members of the general assembly shall disclose to his or her constituents through the member's internet website and regularly issued electronic or paper publications whether or not his or her capitol building office is accessible by wheelchair. Such notification shall also include directions on how a constituent who uses a wheelchair or has a mobility impairment such 7 that the constituent cannot navigate a staircase without assistance may request in advance to obtain a private meeting with the member using the office accessibility protocol required under subsection 2 of this 10 section.
- 2. By October 1, 2010, the chief clerk of the house or the office of 11 the secretary of the senate, as the case may be, shall have in place an 12 office accessibility protocol for members of the general assembly who 13 do not have wheelchair accessible capitol building offices. Such 14 protocol shall: 15
- 16 (1) Be used for instances when a constituent who uses a wheelchair or has a mobility impairment requests to have a meeting with the general assembly member in private; and
- 19 (2) Designate certain areas in the capitol that may be used for 20 requests for private meetings regardless of whether or not a request has been made in advance by the constituent.