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FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 199

AN ACT

To repeal 32.087, 77.030, 115.003, 115.005, 115.007, 115.121, 115.249, 115.259, 115.281, 115.299, 115.300, 115.341, 115.349, 115.383, 115.419, 115.423, 115.433, 115.436, 115.439, 115.449, 115.455, 115.456, 115.493, 115.607, 144.020, 144.021, 144.069, 144.071, 144.440, 144.450, 144.455, 144.525, 144.610, 144.613, 144.615, 190.335, 473.730, 473.733, and 473.737, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof forty-one new sections relating to elections, with an effective date for certain sections and an emergency clause for a certain sections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section A. Sections 32.087, 77.030, 115.003, 115.005,
- 2 115.007, 115.121, 115.249, 115.259, 115.281, 115.299, 115.300,
- 3 115.341, 115.349, 115.383, 115.419, 115.423, 115.433, 115.436,
- 4 115.439, 115.449, 115.455, 115.456, 115.493, 115.607, 144.020,
- 5 144.021, 144.069, 144.071, 144.440, 144.450, 144.455, 144.525,
- 6 144.610, 144.613, 144.615, 190.335, 473.730, 473.733, and
- 7 473.737, RSMo, are repealed and forty-one new sections enacted in
- 8 lieu thereof, to be known as sections 32.087, 77.030, 96.229,
- 9 115.003, 115.005, 115.007, 115.121, 115.249, 115.259, 115.281,
- 10 115.299, 115.300, 115.341, 115.349, 115.383, 115.419, 115.423,
- 11 115.433, 115.436, 115.439, 115.449, 115.455, 115.456, 115.493,
- 12 115.607, 144.020, 144.021, 144.069, 144.071, 144.440, 144.450,

- 1 144.455, 144.525, 144.610, 144.613, 144.615, 190.335, 473.730,
- 2 473.733, 473.737, and 1, to read as follows:
- 3 32.087. 1. Within ten days after the adoption of any
- 4 ordinance or order in favor of adoption of any local sales tax
- 5 authorized under the local sales tax law by the voters of a
- 6 taxing entity, the governing body or official of such taxing
- 7 entity shall forward to the director of revenue by United States
- 8 registered mail or certified mail a certified copy of the
- 9 ordinance or order. The ordinance or order shall reflect the
- 10 effective date thereof.
- 11 2. Any local sales tax so adopted shall become effective on
- 12 the first day of the second calendar quarter after the director
- of revenue receives notice of adoption of the local sales tax,
- except as provided in subsection 18 of this section, and shall be
- imposed on all transactions on which the Missouri state sales tax
- 16 is imposed.
- 3. Every retailer within the jurisdiction of one or more
- 18 taxing entities which has imposed one or more local sales taxes
- 19 under the local sales tax law shall add all taxes so imposed
- 20 along with the tax imposed by the sales tax law of the state of
- 21 Missouri to the sale price and, when added, the combined tax
- 22 shall constitute a part of the price, and shall be a debt of the
- 23 purchaser to the retailer until paid, and shall be recoverable at
- law in the same manner as the purchase price. The combined rate
- of the state sales tax and all local sales taxes shall be the sum
- of the rates, multiplying the combined rate times the amount of
- 27 the sale.

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4. The brackets required to be established by the director

- of revenue under the provisions of section 144.285 shall be based upon the sum of the combined rate of the state sales tax and all local sales taxes imposed under the provisions of the local sales tax law.
- 5 5. (1) The ordinance or order imposing a local sales tax 6 under the local sales tax law shall impose a tax upon all 7 [sellers a tax for the privilege of engaging in the business of 8 selling tangible personal property or rendering taxable services 9 at retail | transactions upon which the Missouri state sales tax 10 is imposed to the extent and in the manner provided in sections 11 144.010 to 144.525, and the rules and regulations of the director 12 of revenue issued pursuant thereto; except that the rate of the tax shall be the sum of the combined rate of the state sales tax 13 or state highway use tax and all local sales taxes imposed under 14 15 the provisions of the local sales tax law.
- 16 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the 17 contrary, local taxing jurisdictions, except those in which voters have previously approved a local use tax under section 18 19 144.757, shall have placed on the ballot on or after the general 20 election in November 2014, but no later than the general election 21 in November 2016, whether to repeal application of the local 22 sales tax to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and 23 outboard motors that are subject to state sales tax under section 24 144.020 and purchased from a source other than a licensed 25 Missouri dealer. The ballot question presented to the local 26 voters shall contain substantially the following language: Shall the (local 27

jurisdiction's name) discontinue applying and collecting the

- 1 <u>local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers,</u>
- 2 boats, and outboard motors that were purchased from a source
- 3 <u>other than a licensed Missouri dealer? Approval of this measure</u>
- 4 will result in a reduction of local revenue to provide for vital
- 5 services for (local jurisdiction's name)
- 6 and it will place Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard
- 7 motors, boats, and trailers at a competitive disadvantage to non-
- 8 <u>Missouri dealers of motor vehicles</u>, outboard motors, boats, and
- 9 trailers.
- \square YES \square NO
- If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box
- opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X"
- in the box opposite "NO".
- 14 (3) If the ballot question set forth in subdivision (2) of
- this subsection receives a majority of the votes cast in favor of
- 16 the proposal, or if the local taxing jurisdiction fails to place
- 17 the ballot question before the voters on or before the general
- 18 election in November 2016, the local taxing jurisdiction shall
- 19 cease applying the local sales tax to the titling of motor
- vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that were
- 21 purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer.
- 22 (4) In addition to the requirement that the ballot question
- 23 set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection be placed before
- 24 the voters, the governing body of any local taxing jurisdiction
- 25 that had previously imposed a local use tax on the use of motor
- vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors may, at any time,
- 27 place a proposal on the ballot at any election to repeal
- 28 <u>application of the local sales tax to the titling of motor</u>

vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a 1 2 source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. If a majority of 3 the votes cast by the registered voters voting thereon are in 4 favor of the proposal to repeal application of the local sales 5 tax to such titling, then the local sales tax shall no longer be 6 applied to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and 7 outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer. If a majority of the votes cast by the 8 9 registered voters voting thereon are opposed to the proposal to 10 repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling, such application shall remain in effect. 11

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(5) In addition to the requirement that the ballot question set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection be placed before the voters on or after the general election in November 2014, and on or before the general election in November 2016, whenever the governing body of any local taxing jurisdiction imposing a local sales tax on the sale of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors receives a petition, signed by fifteen percent of the registered voters of such jurisdiction voting in the last gubernatorial election, calling for a proposal to be placed on the ballot at any election to repeal application of the local sales tax to the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer, the governing body shall submit to the voters of such jurisdiction a proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling. If a majority of the votes cast by the registered voters voting thereon are in favor of the proposal to repeal application of the local sales tax to such titling,

- then the local sales tax shall no longer be applied to the
- 2 titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors
- 3 purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer.
- 4 If a majority of the votes cast by the registered voters voting
- 5 thereon are opposed to the proposal to repeal application of the
- 6 local sales tax to such titling, such application shall remain in
- 7 effect.
- 8 (6) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
- 9 <u>authorize the voters of any jurisdiction to repeal application of</u>
- any state sales or use tax.
- 11 (7) If any local sales tax on the titling of motor
- vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased from a
- source other than a licensed Missouri dealer is repealed, such
- repeal shall take effect on the first day of the second calendar
- 15 quarter after the election. If any local sales tax on the
- 16 titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors
- 17 purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer is
- 18 required to cease to be applied or collected due to failure of a
- 19 local taxing jurisdiction to hold an election pursuant to
- 20 subdivision (2) of this subsection, such cessation shall take
- 21 <u>effect on March 1, 2017.</u>
- 22 6. On and after the effective date of any local sales tax
- 23 imposed under the provisions of the local sales tax law, the
- 24 director of revenue shall perform all functions incident to the
- 25 administration, collection, enforcement, and operation of the
- 26 tax, and the director of revenue shall collect in addition to the
- 27 sales tax for the state of Missouri all additional local sales
- 28 taxes authorized under the authority of the local sales tax law.

All local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law
together with all taxes imposed under the sales tax law of the
state of Missouri shall be collected together and reported upon
such forms and under such administrative rules and regulations as

may be prescribed by the director of revenue.

- 7. All applicable provisions contained in sections 144.010 to 144.525 governing the state sales tax and section 32.057, the uniform confidentiality provision, shall apply to the collection of any local sales tax imposed under the local sales tax law except as modified by the local sales tax law.
- 8. All exemptions granted to agencies of government, organizations, persons and to the sale of certain articles and items of tangible personal property and taxable services under the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525, as these sections now read and as they may hereafter be amended, it being the intent of this general assembly to ensure that the same sales tax exemptions granted from the state sales tax law also be granted under the local sales tax law, are hereby made applicable to the imposition and collection of all local sales taxes imposed under the local sales tax law.
- 9. The same sales tax permit, exemption certificate and retail certificate required by sections 144.010 to 144.525 for the administration and collection of the state sales tax shall satisfy the requirements of the local sales tax law, and no additional permit or exemption certificate or retail certificate shall be required; except that the director of revenue may prescribe a form of exemption certificate for an exemption from any local sales tax imposed by the local sales tax law.

- 1 10. All discounts allowed the retailer under the provisions 2 of the state sales tax law for the collection of and for payment 3 of taxes under the provisions of the state sales tax law are 4 hereby allowed and made applicable to any local sales tax
- 5 collected under the provisions of the local sales tax law.
- 11. The penalties provided in section 32.057 and sections
 144.010 to 144.525 for a violation of the provisions of those
 sections are hereby made applicable to violations of the
 provisions of the local sales tax law.
- 10 12. For the purposes of any local sales tax imposed by (1)an ordinance or order under the local sales tax law, all sales, 11 12 except the sale of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard 13 motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of 14 Missouri, shall be deemed to be consummated at the place of 15 business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property 16 sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state 17 destination. In the event a retailer has more than one place of 18 business in this state which participates in the sale, the sale 19 shall be deemed to be consummated at the place of business of the 20 retailer where the initial order for the tangible personal 21 property is taken, even though the order must be forwarded 22 elsewhere for acceptance, approval of credit, shipment or 23 billing. A sale by a retailer's agent or employee shall be 24 deemed to be consummated at the place of business from which he 25 works.
 - (2) For the purposes of any local sales tax imposed by an ordinance or order under the local sales tax law, the sales tax upon the titling of all [sales of] motor vehicles, trailers,

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- 1 boats, and outboard motors shall be [deemed to be consummated]
- 2 imposed at the rate in effect at the location of the residence of
- 3 the purchaser and not at the place of business of the retailer,
- 4 or the place of business from which the retailer's agent or
- 5 employee works.
- 6 (3) For the purposes of any local tax imposed by an
- 7 ordinance or under the local sales tax law on charges for mobile
- 8 telecommunications services, all taxes of mobile
- 9 telecommunications service shall be imposed as provided in the
- 10 Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act, 4 U.S.C. Sections 116
- 11 through 124, as amended.
- 12 13. Local sales taxes [imposed pursuant to the local sales
- tax law] shall not be imposed on the seller [on the purchase and
- sale] of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors
- 15 [shall not be collected and remitted by the seller,] required to
- be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri, but shall be
- 17 collected from the purchaser by the director of revenue at the
- 18 time application is made for a certificate of title, if the
- 19 address of the applicant is within a taxing entity imposing a
- 20 local sales tax under the local sales tax law.
- 21 14. The director of revenue and any of his deputies,
- 22 assistants and employees who have any duties or responsibilities
- in connection with the collection, deposit, transfer,
- transmittal, disbursement, safekeeping, accounting, or recording
- of funds which come into the hands of the director of revenue
- 26 under the provisions of the local sales tax law shall enter a
- 27 surety bond or bonds payable to any and all taxing entities in
- 28 whose behalf such funds have been collected under the local sales

such tax; but the director of revenue may enter into a blanket

bond covering himself and all such deputies, assistants and

tax law in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars for each

- 4 employees. The cost of any premium for such bonds shall be paid
- 5 by the director of revenue from the share of the collections
- 6 under the sales tax law retained by the director of revenue for
- 7 the benefit of the state.

one or more local sales taxes.

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- 8 The director of revenue shall annually report on his 9 management of each trust fund which is created under the local 10 sales tax law and administration of each local sales tax imposed under the local sales tax law. He shall provide each taxing 11 12 entity imposing one or more local sales taxes authorized by the 13 local sales tax law with a detailed accounting of the source of 14 all funds received by him for the taxing entity. Notwithstanding 15 any other provisions of law, the state auditor shall annually 16 audit each trust fund. A copy of the director's report and 17 annual audit shall be forwarded to each taxing entity imposing
 - 16. Within the boundaries of any taxing entity where one or more local sales taxes have been imposed, if any person is delinquent in the payment of the amount required to be paid by him under the local sales tax law or in the event a determination has been made against him for taxes and penalty under the local sales tax law, the limitation for bringing suit for the collection of the delinquent tax and penalty shall be the same as that provided in sections 144.010 to 144.525. Where the director of revenue has determined that suit must be filed against any person for the collection of delinquent taxes due the state under

the state sales tax law, and where such person is also delinquent in payment of taxes under the local sales tax law, the director of revenue shall notify the taxing entity in the event any person fails or refuses to pay the amount of any local sales tax due so that appropriate action may be taken by the taxing entity.

- under the provisions of any law authorizing seizure of the property of a taxpayer who is delinquent in payment of the tax imposed by the state sales tax law, and where such taxpayer is also delinquent in payment of any tax imposed by the local sales tax law, the director of revenue shall permit the taxing entity to join in any sale of property to pay the delinquent taxes and penalties due the state and to the taxing entity under the local sales tax law. The proceeds from such sale shall first be applied to all sums due the state, and the remainder, if any, shall be applied to all sums due such taxing entity.
- 18. If a local sales tax has been in effect for at least one year under the provisions of the local sales tax law and voters approve reimposition of the same local sales tax at the same rate at an election as provided for in the local sales tax law prior to the date such tax is due to expire, the tax so reimposed shall become effective the first day of the first calendar quarter after the director receives a certified copy of the ordinance, order or resolution accompanied by a map clearly showing the boundaries thereof and the results of such election, provided that such ordinance, order or resolution and all necessary accompanying materials are received by the director at least thirty days prior to the expiration of such tax. Any

administrative cost or expense incurred by the state as a result of the provisions of this subsection shall be paid by the city or county reimposing such tax.

- of this section, the council shall by ordinance divide the city into not less than four wards, and two councilmen shall be elected from each of such wards by the qualified voters thereof at the first election for councilmen in cities hereafter adopting the provisions of this chapter; the one receiving the highest number of votes in each ward shall hold his office for two years, and the one receiving the next highest number of votes shall hold his office for one year; but thereafter each ward shall elect annually one councilman, who shall hold his office for two years.
 - 2. In lieu of electing councilmen as provided in subsection 1 of this section, the council may elect to establish wards and elect councilmen as provided in this subsection. If the council so elects, it shall, by ordinance, divide the city into not less than four wards, and one councilman shall be elected from each of such wards by the qualified voters thereof at the first election for councilmen held in the city after it adopts the provisions of this subsection. At the first election held under this subsection the councilmen elected from the odd-numbered wards shall be elected for a term of one year and the councilmen elected from the even-numbered wards shall be elected for a term of two years. At each annual election held thereafter, successors for councilmen whose terms expire in such year shall be elected for a term of two years.

3. (1) Council members may serve four-year terms if the

	two year terms provided under subsection 1 of 2 of this section
2	have been extended to four years by ordinance or by approval of a
3	majority of the voters voting on the proposal.
4	(2) The ballot of submission shall be in substantially the
5	following form:
6	Shall the terms of council members which are currently set
7	at two years in (city) be extended to four
8	years for members elected after August 28, 2013?
9	□ YES □ NO
10	(3) If an ordinance is passed or a majority of the voters
11	voting approve the proposal authorized in this subsection, the
12	members of council who would serve two years under subsections 1
13	and 2 of this section shall be elected to four-year terms
14	beginning with any election occurring after the adoption of the
15	ordinance or approval of the ballot question.
16	96.229. 1. Notwithstanding subsection 5 of section 96.150
17	regarding the lease of substantially all of a hospital where the
18	board of trustees is lessor, a city in which a hospital is
19	<pre>located that:</pre>
20	(1) Is organized and operated under this chapter;
21	(2) Has not accepted appropriated funds from the city
22	during the prior twenty years; and
23	(3) Is licensed by the department of health and senior
24	services for two hundred beds or more pursuant to sections
25	197.010 to 197.120,
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27	shall not have authority to sell, lease, or otherwise transfer
28	all or substantially all of the property from a hospital

Τ.	organized under this chapter, both rear and personar, except in
2	accordance with this section.
3	2. Upon filing with the city clerk of a resolution adopted
4	by no less than two-thirds of the incumbent members of the board
5	of trustees to sell, lease, or otherwise transfer all or
6	substantially all of the hospital property, both real and
7	personal, for reasons specified in the resolution, the clerk
8	shall present the resolution to the city council. If a majority
9	of the incumbent members of the city council determine that sale,
10	lease, or other transfer of the hospital property is desirable,
11	the city council shall submit to the voters of the city the
12	question in substantially the following form:
13	"Shall the city council of , Missouri and the
14	board of trustees of hospital be authorized to
15	sell (or lease or otherwise transfer) the property, real and
16	personal, of hospital as approved by, and in
17	accordance with, the resolution of the board of trustees
18	authorizing such sale (or lease or transfer)?"
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20	A majority of the votes cast on such question shall be required
21	in order to approve and authorize such sale, lease or other
22	transfer. If the question receives less than the required
23	majority, then the city council and the board of trustees shall
24	have no power to sell, lease or otherwise transfer the property,
25	real and personal, of the hospital unless and until the city
26	council has submitted another question to authorize such sale,
27	lease or transfer authorized under this section and such question
28	is approved by the required majority of the qualified voters

- 1 <u>voting thereon.</u> However, in no event shall a question under this
- 2 <u>section be submitted to the voters sooner than twelve months</u>
- 3 <u>from the date of the last question under this section and after</u>
- 4 the adoption of another resolution by no less than two-thirds of
- 5 <u>the board of trustees and a subsequent vote by a majority of the</u>
- 6 city council to again submit the question to the voters.
- 7 3. Upon passage of such question by the voters, the board
- 8 of trustees shall sell and dispose of such property, or lease or
- 9 transfer such property, in the manner proposed by the board of
- 10 trustees. The deed of the board of trustees, duly authorized by
- the board of trustees and duly acknowledged and recorded, shall
- be sufficient to convey to the purchaser all the rights, title,
- interest, and estate in the hospital property.
- 14 <u>4. No sale, lease, or other transfer of such hospital</u>
- property shall be authorized or effective unless such transaction
- 16 provides sufficient proceeds to be available to be applied to the
- payment of all interest and principal of any outstanding valid
- 18 indebtedness incurred for purchase of the site or construction of
- the hospital, or for any repairs, alterations, improvements, or
- additions thereto, or for operation of the hospital.
- 21 <u>5. Assets donated to the hospital pursuant to section</u>
- 96.210 shall be used to provide health care services in the city
- and in the geographic region previously served by the hospital,
- 24 except as otherwise prescribed by the terms of the deed, gift,
- devise, or bequest.
- 26 115.003. The purpose of sections 115.001 to 115.[641] 801
- 27 [and sections 51.450 and 51.460] is to simplify, clarify and
- 28 harmonize the laws governing elections. It shall be construed

- 1 and applied so as to accomplish its purpose.
- 2 115.005. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 3 contrary, sections 115.001 to 115.[641] <u>801</u> shall apply to all
- 4 public elections in the state, except elections for which
- 5 ownership of real property is required by law for voting.
- 6 115.007. No part of sections 115.001 to 115.[641] 801 [and
- 7 sections 51.450 and 51.460] shall be construed as impliedly
- 8 amended or repealed by subsequent legislation if such
- 9 construction can be reasonably avoided.
- 10 115.121. 1. The general election day shall be the first
- 11 Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even-numbered
- 12 years.
- 13 2. The primary election day shall be the [first] third
- 14 Tuesday after the first Monday in [August] <u>June</u> of even-numbered
- 15 years.
- 3. The election day for the election of political
- 17 subdivision and special district officers shall be the first
- 18 Tuesday after the first Monday in April each year; and shall be
- 19 known as the general municipal election day.
- 20 4. In addition to the primary election day provided for in
- 21 subsection 2 of this section, for the year 2003, the first
- 22 Tuesday after the first Monday in August, 2003, also shall be a
- 23 primary election day for the purpose of permitting school
- 24 districts and other political subdivisions of Missouri to incur
- debt in accordance with the provisions of article VI, section
- 26 26(a) through 26(g) of the Missouri Constitution, with the
- 27 approval of four-sevenths of the eligible voters of such school
- district or other political subdivision voting thereon, to

improving, restoration, and furnishing of facilities to replace, repair, reconstruct, reequip, restore, and refurnish facilities

provide funds for the acquisition, construction, equipping,

- damaged, destroyed, or lost due to severe weather, including,
- 5 without limitation, windstorms, hail storms, flooding, tornadic
- 6 winds, rainstorms and the like which occurred during the month of
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- 8 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of 9 section 115.125, the officer or agency calling an election on the 10 first Tuesday after the first Monday of August, 2003, shall notify the election authorities responsible for conducting the 11 12 election not later than 5:00 p.m. on the sixth Tuesday prior to 13 the election. For purposes of any such election, all references 14 in section 115.125 to the tenth Tuesday prior to such election 15 shall be deemed to refer to the sixth Tuesday prior to such
 - 6. In addition to the general election day provided for in subsection 1 of this section, for the year 2009 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November shall be a general election day for the purpose of permitting school districts to incur debt in accordance with the provisions of article VI, section 26(a) through 26(g) of the Missouri Constitution, with the approval of four-sevenths of the eligible voters of such school district, to provide funds for school districts to acquire, construct, equip, improve, restore, and furnish public school facilities in accordance with the provisions of Section 54F of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which provides for qualified school construction bonds and the provisions of Section 54AA of

- 1 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which provides for
- 2 build America bonds, as well as in accordance with the provisions
- 3 of Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,
- 4 which provides for traditional government bonds.
- 5 7. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 3 of this
- 6 section to the contrary, if the general municipal election date
- 7 falls on Passover, the general municipal election may be
- 8 conducted on the Tuesday following the last day of Passover at
- 9 the discretion of the election authority.
- 10 115.249. No voting machine shall be used unless it:
- 11 (1) Permits voting in absolute secrecy;
- 12 (2) Permits each voter to vote for as many candidates for 13 each office as he is lawfully entitled to vote for, and no other;
- 14 (3) Permits each voter to vote for or against as many 15 questions as he is lawfully entitled to vote on, and no more;
- 16 (4) Provides facilities for each voter to cast as many
- 17 write-in votes for each office as he is lawfully entitled to
- 18 cast;
- 19 (5) Permits each voter in a primary election to vote for
- 20 the candidates of only one party announced by the voter in
- 21 advance;
- [(6) Permits each voter at a presidential election to vote
- 23 by use of a single lever for the candidates of one party or group
- of petitioners for president, vice president and their
- 25 presidential electors;
- 26 (7)] (6) Correctly registers or records and accurately
- 27 counts all votes cast for each candidate and for and against each
- 28 question;

I (8)] (7) Is provided with a lock or locks which prevent any movement of the voting or registering mechanism and any tampering with the mechanism;

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- [(9)] (8) Is provided with a protective counter or other device whereby any operation of the machine before or after an election will be detected;
- [(10)] (9) Is provided with a counter which shows at all times during the election how many people have voted on the machine;
- 10 [(11)] (10) Is provided with a proper light which enables
 11 each voter, while voting, to clearly see the ballot labels[;
 - (12) Is provided with a mechanical model, illustrating the manner of voting on the machine, suitable for the instruction of voters].
 - 115.259. At each polling place using voting machines, the exterior of the voting machines shall be in plain view of the election judges. [Each voting machine shall be so placed that, unless its construction requires otherwise, the ballot labels can be plainly seen by the election judges when not in use by voters.] The election judges shall not be nor permit any other person to be in any position, or near any position, that enables them to see how any voter votes or has voted. The election judges may inspect any machine as necessary to make sure the ballot label is in its proper place and that the machine has not been damaged.
 - 115.281. 1. Except as provided in subsection 3 of this section, not later than the sixth Tuesday prior to each election, or within fourteen days after candidates' names or questions are

- certified pursuant to section 115.125, the election authority
 shall cause to have printed and made available a sufficient
 quantity of absentee ballots, ballot envelopes and mailing
 envelopes. As soon as possible after the proper officer calls a
 special state or county election, the election authority shall
 cause to have printed and made available a sufficient quantity of
- absentee ballots, ballot envelopes and mailing envelopes.

 2. All absentee ballots for an election shall be in the

 same form as the official ballots for the election[, except that

in lieu of the words "Official Ballot" at the top of the ballot,

11 the words "Official Absentee Ballot" shall appear].

- 3. Not later than forty-five days before each general, primary, and special election for federal office, the election authority shall cause to have printed and made available a sufficient quantity of absentee ballots, ballot envelopes, and mailing envelopes for absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters and shall begin transmitting such ballots to absent uniformed services and overseas voters who have submitted an absentee ballot application.
 - 115.299. 1. To count absentee votes on election day, the election authority shall appoint a sufficient number of teams of election judges comprised of an equal number of judges [. Each team shall consist of four judges, two] from each major political party.
 - 2. The teams so appointed shall meet on election day after the time fixed by law for the opening of the polls at a central location designated by the election authority. The election authority shall deliver the absentee ballots to the teams, and

- 1 shall maintain a record of the delivery. The record shall
- 2 include the number of ballots delivered to each team and shall
- 3 include a signed receipt from two judges, one from each major
- 4 political party. The election authority shall provide each team
- 5 with a ballot box, tally sheets and statements of returns as are
- 6 provided to a polling place.
- 7 3. Each team shall count votes on all absentee ballots
- 8 designated by the election authority.
- 9 4. One member of each team, closely observed by another
- 10 member of the team from a different political party, shall open
- 11 each envelope and call the voter's name in a clear voice.
- 12 Without unfolding the ballot, two team members, one from each
- major political party, shall initial the ballot, and an election
- judge shall place the ballot, still folded, in a ballot box. No
- 15 ballot box shall be opened until all of the ballots a team is
- 16 counting have been placed in the box. The votes shall be tallied
- and the returns made as provided in sections 115.447 to 115.525
- 18 for paper ballots. After the votes on all ballots assigned to a
- team have been counted, the ballots and ballot envelopes shall be
- 20 placed on a string and enclosed in sealed containers marked
- "voted absentee ballots and ballot envelopes from the election
- 22 held 20....". All rejected absentee
- 23 ballots and envelopes shall be enclosed and sealed in a separate
- 24 container marked "rejected absentee ballots and envelopes from
- 25 the election held, 20....". On the outside
- of each voted ballot and rejected ballot container, each member
- of the team shall write his name, and all such containers shall
- 28 be returned to the election authority. Upon receipt of the

- returns and ballots, the election authority shall tabulate the absentee vote along with the votes certified from each polling
- 5. Election judges shall count votes on all absentee ballots pursuant to sections 115.453 and 115.455.

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- 6 115.300. In each jurisdiction, the election authority may 7 start, not earlier than the fifth day prior to the election, the preparation of absentee ballots for tabulation on the election 8 9 The election authority shall give notice to the county 10 chairman of each major political party forty-eight hours prior to beginning preparation of absentee ballot envelopes. Absentee 11 12 ballot preparation shall be completed by teams of election 13 authority employees or teams of election judges, with each team 14 consisting of one member from each major political party. 15 [Absentee ballots shall not be counted by the same persons as 16 those who removed such ballots from their envelopes.]
 - 115.341. For the nomination of candidates to be elected at the next general election, a primary election shall be held on the [first] third Tuesday after the first Monday in [August] June of even-numbered years.
 - 115.349. 1. Except as otherwise provided in sections 115.361 to 115.383 or sections 115.755 to 115.785, no candidate's name shall be printed on any official primary ballot unless the candidate has filed a written declaration of candidacy in the office of the appropriate election official by 5:00 p.m. on the [last] first Tuesday in [March] February immediately preceding the primary election.
 - 2. No declaration of candidacy for nomination in a primary

2 [last] second Tuesday in [February] January immediately preceding 3 the primary election. Each declaration of candidacy for nomination in a 4 primary election shall state the candidate's full name, residence 5 6 address, office for which such candidate proposes to be a 7 candidate, the party ticket on which he or she wishes to be a 8 candidate and that if nominated and elected he or she will 9 The declaration shall be in substantially the following qualify. 10 form: 11 I,, a resident and registered voter of 12 the county of and the state of Missouri, residing at 13, do announce myself a candidate for the office of 14 on the party ticket, to be voted for at the primary 15 election to be held on the day of, and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will 16 17 qualify. 18 Subscribed and sworn to 19 Signature of candidate before me this day 20 of 21 22 Residence address Signature of election 23 official or other officer 24 authorized to administer oaths 25 26 Mailing address (if different) 27 28 Telephone Number (Optional)

election shall be accepted for filing prior to 8:00 a.m. on the

If the declaration is to be filed in person, it shall be
subscribed and sworn to by the candidate before an official
authorized to accept his or her declaration of candidacy. If the
declaration is to be filed by certified mail pursuant to the
provisions of subsection 2 of section 115.355, it shall be
subscribed and sworn to by the candidate before a notary public
or other officer authorized by law to administer oaths.

- 115.383. Any election authority duly notified that a name is to be removed from the ballot or that a new candidate has been selected shall have the proper corrections made on the ballot before the ballot is delivered to or while it is in the hands of the printer. [If time does not permit correction of the printed ballot, the election authority shall have prepared small pasters, suitable for covering the name to be removed on the ballots, ballot labels or on the protective covering of each voting machine. If a candidate is replaced by a candidate pursuant to the provisions of sections 115.361 to 115.377, the paster shall contain the name to be substituted in letters of the same size and type as all other names on the ballot. The appropriate election authorities shall see that such pasters are properly applied to the ballots, ballot labels or voting machines before they are used for voting.]
- 115.419. Before the time fixed by law for the opening of the polls, the election authority shall deliver to each polling place a sufficient number of sample ballots[,] and ballot cards [or ballot labels] which shall be a different color but otherwise exact copies of the official ballot. The samples shall be printed in the form of a diagram, showing the form of the ballot

- or the front of the marking device or voting machine as it will appear on election day. The secretary of state may develop multilingual sample ballots to be made available to election
- 4 authorities.
- 5 115.423. [After the time fixed by law for the opening of the polls but] Not more than one hour before the voting begins, the 6 election judges shall open the ballot box and show to all present 7 that it is empty. The ballot box shall then be locked and the 8 9 key kept by one of the election judges. The ballot box shall not 10 be opened or removed from public view from the time it is shown 11 to be empty until the polls close or until the ballot box is 12 delivered for counting pursuant to section 115.451. If voting machines are used, the election judges shall call attention to 13 14 the counter on the face of each voting machine and show to all

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- 115.433. After the voter's identification certificate has been initialed, two judges of different political parties, or one judge from a major political party and one judge with no political affiliation, shall, where paper ballots [or ballot cards] are used, initial the voter's ballot or ballot card.
- 115.436. 1. In jurisdictions using paper ballots and electronic voting systems, when any physically disabled voter within two hundred feet of a polling place is unable to enter the polling place, two election judges, one of each major political party, shall take a ballot, equipment and materials necessary for voting to the voter. The voter shall mark the ballot, and the election judges shall place the ballot in an envelope[, seal it] and place it in the ballot box.

2. In jurisdictions using voting machines, when any physically disabled voter within two hundred feet of a polling place is unable to enter the polling place, two election judges, one of each major political party, shall take an absentee ballot to the voter. The voter shall mark the ballot, and the election judges shall place the ballot in an envelope[, seal it] and place it in the ballot box.

- 3. Upon request to the election authority, the election authority in any jurisdiction shall designate a polling place accessible to any physically disabled voter other than the polling place to which that voter would normally be assigned to vote, provided that the candidates and issues voted on are consistent for both the designated location and the voting location for the voter's precinct. Upon request, the election authority may also assign members of the physically disabled voter's household and such voter's caregiver to the same voting location as the physically disabled voter. In no event shall a voter be assigned under this section to a designated location apart from the established voting location for the voter's precinct if the voter objects to the assignment to another location.
 - 115.439. 1. If paper ballots [or ballot cards] are used, the voter shall, immediately upon receiving his ballot, go alone to a voting booth and vote his ballot in the following manner:
 - (1) When a voter desires to vote for a candidate, the voter shall place a [cross (X)] <u>distinguishing</u> mark [in the square directly to the left of] <u>immediately beside</u> the name of the candidate for which the voter intends to vote;

- (2) [If the voter desires to vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter may cross out a name which appears on the ballot for the office and write the name of the person for whom he wishes to vote above or below the crossed-out name and place a cross (X) mark in the square directly to the left of the crossed-out name.] If a write-in line appears on the ballot, the voter may write the name of the person for whom he or she wishes to vote on the line and place a [cross (X)] distinguishing mark [in the square directly to the left of] immediately beside the name;
- 11 (3) If the ballot is one which contains no candidates, the

 12 voter shall place a [cross (X)] <u>distinguishing</u> mark [in the

 13 square] directly to the left of each "yes" or "no" he desires to

 14 vote.

- No voter shall vote for the same person more than once for the same office at the same election.
- [2. For purposes of this section, a punch or sensor mark or any other mark clearly indicating that the voter intends to mark that particular square shall be equivalent to a cross (X) mark.
 - 3. If voting machines are used, the voter shall, immediately upon direction by the judges, go alone to a voting machine, close the curtain and vote in substantially the same manner provided in subsection 1 of this section. Rather than placing cross (X) marks on the ballot, however, the voter shall cause the designations to appear on the face of the voting machine, cast any write-in votes and register his votes as directed in the instructions for use of the machine.

4.] 2. If the voter accidentally spoils his ballot or ballot card or makes an error, he may return it to an election judge and receive another. The election judge shall mark "SPOILED" across the ballot or ballot card and place it in an envelope marked "SPOILED BALLOTS". After another ballot has been prepared in the manner provided in section 115.433, the ballot shall be given to the voter for voting.

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The election authority may authorize the use of a [5. sticker or other item containing a write-in candidate's name, in lieu of a handwritten name. All such stickers and items used by election authorities shall conform to rules and regulations promulgated by the secretary of state regarding the form of such stickers and items. The secretary of state shall promulgate rules and regulations to prescribe uniform specifications for the form of such stickers and items. If authorized, such sticker or item shall contain a cross (X) mark, or other mark as described in subsection 2 of this section, in the square directly left of the candidate's name and the office for which the candidate is a write-in candidate. A write-in vote that does not meet the requirements of this subsection which appears on a ballot shall not be counted pursuant to sections 115.447 to 115.525. In those jurisdictions using an electronic voting system which utilizes mark sense or optical scan technology and if the election authority authorizes the use of stickers for write-ins, such system shall be programmed to identify and separate those ballots which contain an office in which write-in candidates are eligible to receive votes, and which contain less votes than a voter is entitled to cast. In addition, such sticker shall be considered

- "printed matter" as defined in subsection 8 of section 130.031, and as such shall contain the designation required by subsection 8 of section 130.031.
- 6.] 3. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2002, shall be invalid and void.
 - 115.449. 1. As soon as the polls close in each polling place using paper ballots, the election judges shall begin to count the votes. If earlier counting is begun pursuant to section 115.451, the election judges shall complete the count in the manner provided by this section. Once begun, no count shall be adjourned or postponed until all proper votes have been counted.

2. One counting judge, closely observed by the other counting judge, shall take the ballots out of the ballot box one at a time and, holding each ballot in such a way that the other counting judge may read it, shall read the name of each candidate properly voted for and the office sought by each. As each vote is called out, the recording judges shall each record the vote on a tally sheet. The votes for and against all questions shall

likewise be read and recorded. If more than one political subdivision or special district is holding an election on the same day at the same polling place and using separate ballots, the counting judges may separate the ballots of each political subdivision and special district and first read one set, then the next and so on until all proper votes have been counted.

- [3. After all of the proper votes on a ballot have been counted, the ballot shall be strung on a wire or string in the order read. After all the ballots have been read and strung and after the recording judges agree on the count, the wire or string shall be tied in a firm knot, and the knot shall be sealed so that it cannot be untied without breaking the seal. Rejected and spoiled ballots shall not be strung but shall be placed in separate containers marked "REJECTED" and "SPOILED".
- 4.] 3. After the recording of all proper votes, the recording judges shall compare their tallies. When the recording judges agree on the count, they shall sign both of the tally sheets, and one of the recording judges shall announce in a loud voice the total number of votes for each candidate and for and against each guestion.
- [5.] 4. After the announcement of the vote, the election judges shall record the vote totals in the appropriate places on each statement of returns. If any tally sheet or statement of returns contains no heading for any question, the election judges shall write the necessary headings on the tally sheet or statement of returns.
- 27 115.455. Election judges shall count votes on each question 28 in the following manner:

1 (1) If a [cross (X)] <u>distinguishing</u> mark appears [in the 2 square] immediately beside or below the "YES", the question shall 3 be counted as voted for. If a [cross (X)] <u>distinguishing</u> mark 4 appears [in the square] immediately beside or below the "NO", the 5 question shall be counted as voted against;

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- (2) If a [cross (X)] <u>distinguishing</u> mark appears [in the square] immediately beside or below the "YES" and [in the square] immediately beside or below the "NO", the question shall neither be counted as voted for nor as voted against.
- 10 115.456. 1. [The election authority shall be responsible for ensuring that the standards provided for in this subsection are followed when counting ballots cast using punch card voting systems.
- 14 (1) Prior to tabulating ballots, all ballot cards shall be
 15 inspected by the election authority for hanging chad and damaged
 16 ballots. Inspection of ballot cards shall be conducted using the
 17 following guidelines:
 - (a) The election authority shall appoint a bipartisan team to inspect all ballots where a question exists about the condition of a ballot or existence of a hanging chad;
 - (b) All ballot card inspections conducted under this section shall be conducted by examining the ballot card from the back of the card;
 - (c) If a ballot is determined to be damaged, the bipartisan team shall spoil the original ballot and duplicate the voter's intent on the new ballot, provided that there is an undisputed method of matching the duplicate card with its original after it has been placed with the remainder of the ballot cards from the

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- 2 (d) If a chad is determined to be hanging by two or less
- 3 corners, it shall be removed prior to being tabulated.
- 4 (2) In jurisdictions using punch card systems, a valid vote 5 for a write-in candidate shall include the following:
- 6 (a) A distinguishing mark in the square immediately
 7 preceding the name of the candidate;
- 8 (b) The name of the candidate. If the name of the
 9 candidate as written by the voter is substantially as declared by
 10 the candidate it shall be counted, or in those circumstances
 11 where the names of candidates are similar, the names of
 12 candidates as shown on voter registration records shall be
 13 counted; and
- 14 (c) The name of the office for which the candidate is to be elected.
 - (3) Whenever a hand recount of votes is ordered of punch card ballots, the provisions of this subsection shall be used to determine voter intent.
- 2.] The election authority shall be responsible for ensuring that the standards provided for in this subsection are followed when counting ballots cast using optical scan voting systems.
 - (1) Prior to tabulating ballots, all machines shall be programmed to reject blank ballots where no votes are recorded or where an overvote is registered in any race.
 - (2) In jurisdictions using precinct-based tabulators, the voter who cast the ballot shall review the ballot if rejected, if the voter wishes to make any changes to the ballot, or if the

- 1 voter would like to spoil the ballot and receive another ballot.
- 2 (3) In jurisdictions using centrally based tabulators, if a
- 3 ballot is so rejected it shall be reviewed by a bipartisan team
- 4 using the following criteria:
- 5 (a) If a ballot is determined to be damaged, the bipartisan
- 6 team shall spoil the original ballot and duplicate the voter's
- 7 intent on the new ballot, provided that there is an undisputed
- 8 method of matching the duplicate card with its original after it
- 9 has been placed with the remainder of the ballot cards from such
- 10 precinct; and
- 11 (b) Voter intent shall be determined using the following
- 12 criteria:
- 13 a. There is a distinguishing mark in the printed oval or
- 14 divided arrow adjacent to the name of the candidate or issue
- 15 preference;
- 16 b. There is a distinguishing mark adjacent to the name of
- 17 the candidate or issue preference; or
- 18 c. The name of the candidate or issue preference is
- 19 circled.
- 20 (4) In jurisdictions using optical scan systems, a valid
- 21 vote for a write-in candidate shall include the following:
- 22 (a) A distinguishing mark in the designated location
- 23 preceding the name of the candidate;
- 24 (b) The name of the candidate. If the name of the
- candidate as written by the voter is substantially as declared by
- the candidate it shall be counted, or in those circumstances
- 27 where the names of candidates are similar, the names of
- 28 candidates as shown on voter registration records shall be

- 1 counted; and
- 2 (c) The name of the office for which the candidate is to be
- 3 elected.
- 4 (5) Whenever a hand recount of votes of optical scan
- 5 ballots is ordered, the provisions of this subsection shall be
- 6 used to determine voter intent.
- 7 [3.] $\underline{2}$. The election authority shall be responsible for
- 8 ensuring that the standards provided for in this subsection are
- 9 followed when counting ballots cast using paper ballots.
- 10 (1) Voter intent shall be determined using the following
- 11 criteria:
- 12 (a) There is a distinguishing mark in the square adjacent
- to the name of the candidate or issue preference;
- 14 (b) There is a distinguishing mark adjacent to the name of
- the candidate or issue preference; or
- 16 (c) The name of the candidate or issue preference is
- 17 circled.
- 18 (2) In jurisdictions using paper ballots, a valid vote for
- a write-in candidate shall include the following:
- 20 (a) A distinguishing mark in the square immediately
- 21 preceding the name of the candidate;
- 22 (b) The name of the candidate. If the name of the
- candidate as written by the voter is substantially as declared by
- 24 the candidate it shall be counted, or in those circumstances
- 25 where the names of candidates are similar, the names of
- 26 candidates as shown on voter registration records shall be
- 27 counted; and
- 28 (c) The name of the office for which the candidate is to be

1 elected.

- 2 (3) Whenever a hand recount of votes of paper ballots is 3 ordered, the provisions of this subsection shall be used to 4 determine voter intent.
 - [4. When write-in stickers are used, the sticker shall contain the name of a candidate, the office sought, and a distinguishing mark in the square immediately preceding the name of the candidate and shall be approximately one inch by three inches in size with black print on a white background. The sticker shall be placed by the voter on the write-in line designating the office sought or the sticker shall be placed by the voter on the write-in line on the secrecy envelope.
 - 5.] 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a distinguishing mark indicating a general preference for or against the candidates of one political party shall not be considered a vote for or against any specific candidate.
 - ballots, ballot cards, processed ballot materials in electronic form and write-in forms, and all applications, statements, certificates, affidavits and computer programs relating to each election for [twelve] twenty-two months after the date of the election. During the time that voted ballots, ballot cards, processed ballot materials in electronic form and write-in forms are kept by the election authority, it shall not open or inspect them or allow anyone else to do so, except upon order of a legislative body trying an election contest, a court or a grand jury. After [twelve] twenty-two months, the ballots, ballot cards, processed ballot materials in electronic form, write-in

- 1 forms, applications, statements, certificates, affidavits and
- 2 computer programs relating to each election may be destroyed. If
- 3 an election contest, grand jury investigation or civil or
- 4 criminal case relating to the election is pending at the time,
- 5 however, the materials shall not be destroyed until the contest,
- 6 investigation or case is finally determined.
- 7 115.607. 1. No person shall be elected or shall serve as a
- 8 member of a county committee who is not, for one year next before
- 9 the person's election, both a registered voter of and a resident
- of the county and the committee district from which the person is
- 11 elected if such district shall have been so long established, and
- 12 if not, then of the district or districts from which the same
- shall have been taken. Except as provided in subsections 2, 3,
- 4, 5, and 6 of this section, the membership of a county committee
- of each established political party shall consist of a man and a
- 16 woman elected from each township or ward in the county.
- 17 2. In each county of the first classification containing
- the major portion of a city which has over three hundred thousand
- inhabitants, [two members of the committee, a man and a woman,
- 20 shall be elected from each ward in the city. Any township
- 21 entirely contained in the city shall have no additional
- representation on the county committee. The election authority
- 23 for the county shall, not later than six months after the
- 24 decennial census has been reported to the President of the United
- 25 States, divide the most populous township outside the city into
- 26 eight subdistricts of contiguous and compact territory and as
- 27 nearly equal in population as practicable. The subdistricts
- shall be numbered from one upward consecutively, which numbers

shall, insofar as practicable, be retained upon reapportionment. 1 2 Two members of the county committee, a man and a woman, shall be elected from each such subdistrict. Six members of the 3 committee, three men and three women, shall be elected from the 4 5 second and third most populous townships outside the city. Four 6 members of the committee, two men and two women, shall be elected 7 from the other townships outside the city] members of the 8 committee shall be elected from the districts of each state 9 representative that are in any way contained in the county in the 10 following manner: within six months after each legislative 11 reapportionment, each portion of a legislative district contained 12 in the county shall constitute a single committee district. Two 13 men and two women shall be elected from each committee district formed from a legislative district that is wholly contained in 14 15 the county as members of the committee, two men and two women shall be elected from each committee district formed from a 16 legislative district that is predominantly contained in the 17 18 county as members of the committee, and one man and one woman 19 shall be elected from each committee district formed from a 20 legislative district that is partially but not predominantly 21 contained in the county as members of the committee.

3. [In any city which has over three hundred thousand inhabitants, the major portion of which is located in a county with a charter form of government, for the portion of the city located within such county and notwithstanding section 82.110, it shall be the duty of the election authority, not later than six months after the decennial census has been reported to the President of the United States, to divide such cities into not

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- less than twenty-four nor more than twenty-five wards after each decennial census. Wards shall be so divided that the number of inhabitants in any ward shall not exceed any other ward of the city and within the same county, by more than five percent, measured by the number of the inhabitants determined at the preceding decennial census.
- In each county of the first classification containing a 7 8 portion, but not the major portion, of a city which has over 9 three hundred thousand inhabitants, ten members of the committee, 10 five men and five women, shall be elected from the district of 11 each state representative wholly contained in the county in the 12 following manner: within six months after each legislative 13 reapportionment, the election authority shall divide each 14 legislative district wholly contained in the county into five 15 committee districts of contiquous territory as compact and as nearly equal in population as may be; two members of the 16 17 committee, a man and a woman, shall be elected from each 18 committee district. The election authority shall divide the area 19 of the county located within legislative districts not wholly 20 contained in the county into similar committee districts; two 21 members of the committee, a man and a woman, shall be elected 22 from each committee district.
 - [5.] $\underline{4.}$ In each city not situated in a county, two members of the committee, a man and a woman, shall be elected from each ward.

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[6.] <u>5.</u> In all counties with a charter form of government and a population of over nine hundred thousand inhabitants, the county committee persons shall be elected from each township.

Within ninety days after August 28, 2002, and within six months
after each decennial census has been reported to the President of
the United States, the election authority shall divide the county
into twenty-eight compact and contiguous townships containing
populations as nearly equal in population to each other as is
practical.

- [7.] 6. If any election authority has failed to adopt a reapportionment plan by the deadline set forth in this section, the county commission, sitting as a reapportionment commission, shall within sixty days after the deadline, adopt a reapportionment plan. Changes of township, ward, or precinct lines shall not affect the terms of office of incumbent party committee members elected from districts as constituted at the time of their election.
 - 144.020. 1. A tax is hereby levied and imposed <u>for the</u> privilege of titling new and used motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state which are required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and, except as provided <u>in subdivision (9) of this subsection</u>, upon all sellers for the privilege of engaging in the business of selling tangible personal property or rendering taxable service at retail in this state. The rate of tax shall be as follows:
 - (1) Upon every retail sale in this state of tangible personal property, [including but not limited to] excluding motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and subject to tax under subdivision (9) of

- 1 <u>this subsection</u>, a tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase
- 2 price paid or charged, or in case such sale involves the exchange
- 3 of property, a tax equivalent to four percent of the
- 4 consideration paid or charged, including the fair market value of
- 5 the property exchanged at the time and place of the exchange,
- 6 except as otherwise provided in section 144.025;
- 7 (2) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid for
- 8 admission and seating accommodations, or fees paid to, or in any
- 9 place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, games and
- 10 athletic events;
- 11 (3) A tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate paid
- or charged on all sales of electricity or electrical current,
- water and gas, natural or artificial, to domestic, commercial or
- 14 industrial consumers;
- 15 (4) A tax equivalent to four percent on the basic rate paid
- or charged on all sales of local and long distance
- 17 telecommunications service to telecommunications subscribers and
- 18 to others through equipment of telecommunications subscribers for
- 19 the transmission of messages and conversations and upon the sale,
- 20 rental or leasing of all equipment or services pertaining or
- 21 incidental thereto; except that, the payment made by
- 22 telecommunications subscribers or others, pursuant to section
- 23 144.060, and any amounts paid for access to the internet or
- 24 interactive computer services shall not be considered as amounts
- 25 paid for telecommunications services;
- 26 (5) A tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate paid
- 27 or charged for all sales of services for transmission of messages
- 28 of telegraph companies;

(6) A tax equivalent to four percent on the amount of sales or charges for all rooms, meals and drinks furnished at any hotel, motel, tavern, inn, restaurant, eating house, drugstore, dining car, tourist cabin, tourist camp or other place in which rooms, meals or drinks are regularly served to the public;

- (7) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or charged for intrastate tickets by every person operating a railroad, sleeping car, dining car, express car, boat, airplane and such buses and trucks as are licensed by the division of motor carrier and railroad safety of the department of economic development of Missouri, engaged in the transportation of persons for hire;
- (8) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or charged for rental or lease of tangible personal property, provided that if the lessor or renter of any tangible personal property had previously purchased the property under the conditions of "sale at retail" or leased or rented the property and the tax was paid at the time of purchase, lease or rental, the lessor, sublessor, renter or subrenter shall not apply or collect the tax on the subsequent lease, sublease, rental or subrental receipts from that property. The purchase, rental or lease of motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors shall be taxed and the tax paid as provided in this section and section 144.070. event shall the rental or lease of boats and outboard motors be considered a sale, charge, or fee to, for or in places of amusement, entertainment or recreation nor shall any such rental or lease be subject to any tax imposed to, for, or in such places

- 1 of amusement, entertainment or recreation. Rental and leased
- 2 boats or outboard motors shall be taxed under the provisions of
- 3 the sales tax laws as provided under such laws for motor vehicles
- 4 and trailers. Tangible personal property which is exempt from
- 5 the sales or use tax under section 144.030 upon a sale thereof is
- 6 likewise exempt from the sales or use tax upon the lease or
- 7 rental thereof.
- 8 (9) A tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase price,
- 9 as defined in section 144.070, of new and used motor vehicles,
- 10 trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for
- 11 <u>use on the highways or waters of this state which are required to</u>
- be registered under the laws of the state of Missouri. This tax
- is imposed on the person titling such property, and shall be paid
- according to the procedures in section 144.440.
- 15 2. All tickets sold which are sold under the provisions of
- sections 144.010 to 144.525 which are subject to the sales tax
- shall have printed, stamped or otherwise endorsed thereon, the
- 18 words "This ticket is subject to a sales tax.".
- 19 144.021. The purpose and intent of sections 144.010 to
- 20 144.510 is to impose a tax upon the privilege of engaging in the
- business, in this state, of selling tangible personal property
- 22 and those services listed in section 144.020 and for the
- 23 privilege of titling new and used motor vehicles, trailers,
- 24 boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the
- 25 <u>highways or waters of this state which are required to be</u>
- 26 registered under the laws of the state of Missouri. Except as
- otherwise provided, the primary tax burden is placed upon the
- 28 seller making the taxable sales of property or service and is

levied at the rate provided for in section 144.020. Excluding 1 2 subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.020 and sections 3 144.070, 144.440 and 144.450, the extent to which a seller is 4 required to collect the tax from the purchaser of the taxable 5 property or service is governed by section 144.285 and in no way 6 affects sections 144.080 and 144.100, which require all sellers 7 to report to the director of revenue their "gross receipts", 8 defined herein to mean the aggregate amount of the sales price of 9 all sales at retail, and remit tax at four percent of their gross

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- 144.069. All sales taxes associated with the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats and outboard motors under the laws of Missouri shall be [deemed to be consummated] imposed at the rate in effect at the location of the address of the owner thereof, and all sales taxes associated with the titling of vehicles under leases of over sixty-day duration of motor vehicles, trailers, boats and outboard motors [subject to sales taxes under this chapter] shall be [deemed to be consummated] imposed at the rate in effect, unless the vehicle, trailer, boat or motor has been registered and sales taxes have been paid prior to the consummation of the lease agreement at the location of the address of the lessee thereof on the date the lease is consummated, and all applicable sales taxes levied by any political subdivision shall be collected on such sales from the purchaser or lessee by the state department of revenue on that basis.
- 27 144.071. 1. In all cases where the purchaser of a motor vehicle, trailer, boat or outboard motor rescinds the sale of

- 1 that motor vehicle, trailer, boat or outboard motor and receives
- 2 a refund of the purchase price and returns the motor vehicle,
- 3 trailer, boat or outboard motor to the seller within sixty
- 4 calendar days from the date of the sale, <u>any</u> [the sales or use]
- 5 tax paid to the department of revenue shall be refunded to the
- 6 purchaser upon proper application to the director of revenue.
- 7 2. In any rescission whereby a seller reacquires title to
- 8 the motor vehicle, trailer, boat or outboard motor sold by him
- 9 and the reacquisition is within sixty calendar days from the date
- of the original sale, the person reacquiring the motor vehicle,
- 11 trailer, boat or outboard motor shall be entitled to a refund of
- any [sales or use] tax paid as a result of the reacquisition of
- 13 the motor vehicle, trailer, boat or outboard motor, upon proper
- 14 application to the director of revenue.
- 3. Any city or county [sales or use] tax refunds shall be
- deducted by the director of revenue from the next remittance made
- 17 to that city or county.
- 4. Each claim for refund must be made within one year after
- 19 payment of the tax on which the refund is claimed.
- 5. As used in this section, the term "boat" includes all
- 21 motorboats and vessels as the terms "motorboat" and "vessel" are
- defined in section 306.010.
- 23 144.440. 1. [In addition to all other taxes now or
- 24 hereafter levied and imposed upon every person for the privilege
- of using the highways or waterways of this state, there is hereby
- levied and imposed a tax equivalent to four percent of the
- 27 purchase price, as defined in section 144.070, which is paid or
- 28 charged on new and used motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and

outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state which are required to be registered under the laws of the state of Missouri.

- 2.1 At the time the owner of any [such] motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor makes application to the director of revenue for an official certificate of title and the registration of the same as otherwise provided by law, he shall present to the director of revenue evidence satisfactory to the director showing the purchase price paid by or charged to the applicant in the acquisition of the motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor, or that the motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor is not subject to the tax herein provided and, if the motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor is subject to the tax herein provided, the applicant shall pay or cause to be paid to the director of revenue the tax provided herein.
 - [3.] $\underline{2}$. In the event that the purchase price is unknown or undisclosed, or that the evidence thereof is not satisfactory to the director of revenue, the same shall be fixed by appraisement by the director.
- [4.] 3. No certificate of title shall be issued for such motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor unless the tax for the privilege of using the highways or waters of this state has been paid or the vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor is registered under the provisions of subsection 5 of this section.
- [5.] <u>4.</u> The owner of any motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor which is to be used exclusively for rental or lease purposes may pay the tax due thereon required in section 144.020 at the time of registration or in lieu thereof may pay a

- 1 [use] $\underline{\text{sales}}$ tax as provided in sections 144.010, 144.020, 144.070
- 2 and 144.440. A [use] sales tax shall be charged and paid on the
- 3 amount charged for each rental or lease agreement while the motor
- 4 vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor is domiciled in the
- 5 state. If the owner elects to pay upon each rental or lease, he
- 6 shall make an affidavit to that effect in such form as the
- 7 director of revenue shall require and shall remit the tax due at
- 8 such times as the director of revenue shall require.
- 9 [6.] 5. In the event that any leasing company which rents
- or leases motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors
- 11 elects to collect a [use] sales tax[,] all of its lease receipts
- would be subject to the [use] sales tax[,] regardless of whether
- or not the leasing company previously paid a sales tax when the
- vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor was originally
- 15 purchased.
- [7.] 6. The provisions of this section, and the tax
- imposed by this section, shall not apply to manufactured homes.
- 18 144.450. In order to avoid double taxation under the
- provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.510, any person who
- 20 purchases a motor vehicle, trailer, manufactured home, boat, or
- 21 outboard motor in any other state and seeks to register or obtain
- 22 a certificate of title for it in this state shall be credited
- 23 with the amount of any sales tax or use tax shown to have been
- 24 previously paid by him on the purchase price of such motor
- vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor in such other state.
- 26 The tax imposed by subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section
- 27 [144.440] 144.020 shall not apply:
- 28 (1) [To motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors

- on account of which the sales tax provided by sections 144.010 to 144.510 shall have been paid;
- 3 (2) To motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors 4 brought into this state by a person moving any such vehicle, 5 trailer, boat, or outboard motor into Missouri from another state 6 who shall have registered and in good faith regularly operated 7 any such motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor in such 8 other state at least ninety days prior to the time it is
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- 10 [(3)] (2) To motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard
 11 motors acquired by registered dealers for resale;
- [(4)] (3) To motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or outboard motors purchased, owned or used by any religious, charitable or eleemosynary institution for use in the conduct of regular religious, charitable or eleemosynary functions and activities;
 - [(5)] (4) To motor vehicles owned and used by religious organizations in transferring pupils to and from schools supported by such organization;
 - [(6)] (5) Where the motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor has been acquired by the applicant for a certificate of title therefor by gift or under a will or by inheritance, and the tax hereby imposed has been paid by the donor or decedent;
- [(7)] (6) To any motor vehicle, trailer, boat, or outboard motor owned or used by the state of Missouri or any other political subdivision thereof, or by an educational institution supported by public funds; or
 - [(8)] (7) To farm tractors.

of section [144.440] 144.020 on motor vehicles and trailers is levied for the purpose of providing revenue to be used by this state to defray in whole or in part the cost of constructing, widening, reconstructing, maintaining, resurfacing and repairing the public highways, roads and streets of this state, and the cost and expenses incurred in the administration and enforcement of subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.020 and sections 144.440 to 144.455, and for no other purpose whatsoever, and all revenue collected or received by the director of revenue from the tax imposed by subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.440] 144.020 on motor vehicles and trailers shall be promptly deposited [in the state treasury to the credit of the state highway department fund] as dictated by article IV, section 30(b) of the Constitution of Missouri.

144.525. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the amount of any state and local sales [or use] taxes due on the purchase of a motor vehicle, trailer, boat or outboard motor required to be registered under the provisions of sections 301.001 to 301.660 and sections 306.010 to 306.900 shall be computed on the rate of such taxes in effect on the date the purchaser submits application for a certificate of ownership to the director of revenue; except that, in the case of a sale at retail, of an outboard motor by a retail business which is not required to be registered under the provisions of section 301.251, the amount of state and local [sales and use] taxes due shall be computed on the rate of such taxes in effect as of the calendar date of the retail sale.

- 144.610. 1. A tax is imposed for the privilege of storing, using or consuming within this state any article of tangible personal property, excluding motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and subject to tax under subdivision (9) of subsection 1 of section 144.020, purchased on or after the effective date of sections 144.600 to 144.745 in an amount equivalent to the percentage imposed on the sales price in the sales tax law in section 144.020. This tax does not apply with respect to the storage, use or consumption of any article of tangible personal property purchased, produced or manufactured outside this state until the transportation of the article has finally come to rest within this state or until the article has become commingled with the general mass of property of this state.
 - 2. Every person storing, using or consuming in this state tangible personal property subject to the tax in subsection 1 of this section is liable for the tax imposed by this law, and the liability shall not be extinguished until the tax is paid to this state, but a receipt from a vendor authorized by the director of revenue under the rules and regulations that he prescribes to collect the tax, given to the purchaser in accordance with the provisions of section 144.650, relieves the purchaser from further liability for the tax to which receipt refers.

3. Because this section no longer imposes a Missouri use tax on the storage, use, or consumption of motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state

- of Missouri, in that the state sales tax is now imposed on the titling of such property, the local sales tax, rather than the local use tax, applies.
- 144.613. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 144.655, 5 at the time the owner of any new or used boat or boat motor which 6 was acquired after December 31, 1979, in a transaction subject to 7 [use] tax under [the Missouri use tax law] this chapter makes 8 application to the director of revenue for the registration of 9 the boat or boat motor, he shall present to the director of 10 revenue evidence satisfactory to the director of revenue showing 11 the purchase price, exclusive of any charge incident to the 12 extension of credit, paid by or charged to the applicant in the 13 acquisition of the boat or boat motor, or that no sales or use tax was incurred in its acquisition, and, if [sales or use] tax 14 15 was incurred in its acquisition, that the same has been paid, or 16 the applicant shall pay or cause to be paid to the director of revenue the [use] tax provided by [the Missouri use tax law] this 17 18 chapter in addition to the registration fees now or hereafter 19 required according to law, and the director of revenue shall not 20 issue a registration for any new or used boat or boat motor 21 subject to [use] tax [as provided in the Missouri use tax law] in 22 this chapter until the tax levied for the use of the same under 23 [sections 144.600 to 144.748] this chapter has been paid.
- 144.615. There are specifically exempted from the taxes levied in sections 144.600 to 144.745:
- 26 (1) Property, the storage, use or consumption of which this 27 state is prohibited from taxing pursuant to the constitution or 28 laws of the United States or of this state;

1 (2) Property, the gross receipts from the sale of which are 2 required to be included in the measure of the tax imposed 3 pursuant to the Missouri sales tax law;

- (3) Tangible personal property, the sale or other transfer of which, if made in this state, would be exempt from or not subject to the Missouri sales tax pursuant to the provisions of subsection 2 of section 144.030;
- (4) Motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors subject to the tax imposed by section [144.440] 144.020;
- (5) Tangible personal property which has been subjected to a tax by any other state in this respect to its sales or use; provided, if such tax is less than the tax imposed by sections 144.600 to 144.745, such property, if otherwise taxable, shall be subject to a tax equal to the difference between such tax and the tax imposed by sections 144.600 to 144.745;
- (6) Tangible personal property held by processors, retailers, importers, manufacturers, wholesalers, or jobbers solely for resale in the regular course of business;
- (7) Personal and household effects and farm machinery used while an individual was a bona fide resident of another state and who thereafter became a resident of this state, or tangible personal property brought into the state by a nonresident for his own storage, use or consumption while temporarily within the state.
- 190.335. 1. In lieu of the tax levy authorized under section 190.305 for emergency telephone services, the county commission of any county may impose a county sales tax for the provision of central dispatching of fire protection, including

- 1 law enforcement agencies, emergency ambulance service or any
- 2 other emergency services, including emergency telephone services,
- 3 which shall be collectively referred to herein as "emergency
- 4 services", and which may also include the purchase and
- 5 maintenance of communications and emergency equipment, including
- 6 the operational costs associated therein, in accordance with the
- 7 provisions of this section.
- 8 2. Such county commission may, by a majority vote of its
- 9 members, submit to the voters of the county, at a public
- 10 election, a proposal to authorize the county commission to impose
- 11 a tax under the provisions of this section. If the residents of
- 12 the county present a petition signed by a number of residents
- equal to ten percent of those in the county who voted in the most
- 14 recent gubernatorial election, then the commission shall submit
- such a proposal to the voters of the county.
- 16 3. The ballot of submission shall be in substantially the
- 17 following form:
- Shall the county of
- 19 (insert name of county) impose a county sales tax of
- 20 (insert rate of percent) percent for the purpose of providing
- 21 central dispatching of fire protection, emergency ambulance
- service, including emergency telephone services, and other
- emergency services?
- 24 □ YES □ NO
- 25 If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by the qualified
- 26 voters voting thereon are in favor of the proposal, then the
- 27 ordinance shall be in effect as provided herein. If a majority
- of the votes cast by the qualified voters voting are opposed to

impose the tax authorized by this section unless and until the county commission shall again have submitted another proposal to authorize the county commission to impose the tax under the

the proposal, then the county commission shall have no power to

- 5 provisions of this section, and such proposal is approved by a
- 6 majority of the qualified voters voting thereon.

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- 7 The sales tax may be imposed at a rate not to exceed one 8 percent on the receipts from the sale at retail of all tangible 9 personal property or taxable services at retail within any county 10 adopting such tax, if such property and services are subject to taxation by the state of Missouri under the provisions of 11 sections 144.010 to 144.525. The sales tax shall not be 12 13 collected prior to thirty-six months before operation of the 14 central dispatching of emergency services.
 - 5. Except as modified in this section, all provisions of sections 32.085 and 32.087 shall apply to the tax imposed under this section.
 - 6. Any tax imposed pursuant to section 190.305 shall terminate at the end of the tax year in which the tax imposed pursuant to this section for emergency services is certified by the board to be fully operational. Any revenues collected from the tax authorized under section 190.305 shall be credited for the purposes for which they were intended.
 - 7. At least once each calendar year, the board shall establish a tax rate, not to exceed the amount authorized, that together with any surplus revenues carried forward will produce sufficient revenues to fund the expenditures authorized by this act. Amounts collected in excess of that necessary within a

given year shall be carried forward to subsequent years. The
board shall make its determination of such tax rate each year no
later than September first and shall fix the new rate which shall
be collected as provided in this act. Immediately upon making
its determination and fixing the rate, the board shall publish in
its minutes the new rate, and it shall notify every retailer by

mail of the new rate.

- 8. Immediately upon the affirmative vote of voters of such a county on the ballot proposal to establish a county sales tax pursuant to the provisions of this section, the county commission shall appoint the initial members of a board to administer the funds and oversee the provision of emergency services in the county. Beginning with the general election in 1994, all board members shall be elected according to this section and other applicable laws of this state. At the time of the appointment of the initial members of the board, the commission shall relinquish and no longer exercise the duties prescribed in this chapter with regard to the provision of emergency services and such duties shall be exercised by the board.
 - 9. The initial board shall consist of seven members appointed without regard to political affiliation, who shall be selected from, and who shall represent, the fire protection districts, ambulance districts, sheriff's department, municipalities, any other emergency services and the general public. This initial board shall serve until its successor board is duly elected and installed in office. The commission shall ensure geographic representation of the county by appointing no more than four members from each district of the county

- 1 commission.
- 2 10. Beginning in 1994, three members shall be elected from
- 3 each district of the county commission and one member shall be
- 4 elected at large, such member to be the chairman of the board.
- 5 Of those first elected, four members from districts of the county
- 6 commission shall be elected for terms of two years and two
- 7 members from districts of the county commission and the member at
- 8 large shall be elected for terms of four years. In 1996, and
- 9 thereafter, all terms of office shall be four years.
- 10 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if there is no
- 11 <u>candidate for an open position on the board, then no election</u>
- shall be held for that position and it shall be considered
- vacant, to be filled pursuant to the provisions of section
- 14 190.339, and, if there is only one candidate for each open
- position, no election shall be held and the candidate or
- 16 candidates shall assume office at the same time and in the same
- 17 manner as if elected.
- 18 11. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 8 to 10
- of this section to the contrary, in any county of the first
- 20 classification with more than two hundred forty thousand three
- 21 hundred but fewer than two hundred forty thousand four hundred
- 22 inhabitants, any emergency telephone service 911 board appointed
- by the county under section 190.309 which is in existence on the
- 24 date the voters approve a sales tax under this section shall
- continue to exist and shall have the powers set forth under
- 26 section 190.339.
- 27 12. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 8 to
- 28 10 of this section to the contrary, in any county of the second

- 1 classification with more than fifty-four thousand two hundred but
- 2 fewer than fifty-four thousand three hundred inhabitants or any
- 3 county of the first classification with more than fifty thousand
- 4 but fewer than seventy thousand inhabitants that has approved a
- 5 sales tax under this section, the county commission shall appoint
- 6 the members of the board to administer the funds and oversee the
- 7 provision of emergency services in the county.
- 8 (2) The board shall consist of seven members appointed
- 9 without regard to political affiliation. Except as provided in
- subdivision (4) of this subsection, each member shall be one of
- 11 the following:
- 12 (a) The head of any of the county's fire protection
- districts, or a designee;
- 14 (b) The head of any of the county's ambulance districts, or
- 15 a designee;
- 16 (c) The county sheriff, or a designee;
- 17 (d) The head of any of the police departments in the
- 18 county, or a designee; and
- 19 (e) The head of any of the county's emergency management
- 20 organizations, or a designee.
- 21 (3) Upon the appointment of the board under this
- 22 subsection, the board shall have the power provided in section
- 23 190.339 and shall exercise all powers and duties exercised by the
- 24 county commission under this chapter, and the commission shall
- 25 relinquish all powers and duties relating to the provision of
- 26 emergency services under this chapter to the board.
- 27 (4) In any county of the first classification with more
- than fifty thousand but fewer than seventy thousand inhabitants,

each of the entities listed in subdivision (2) of this subsection shall be represented on the board by at least one member.

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473.730. 1. Every county in this state, [and] except the city of St. Louis, shall elect a public administrator at the general election in the year 1880, and every four years thereafter, who shall be ex officio public quardian and conservator in and for the public administrator's county. A candidate for public administrator shall be at least twenty-one years of age and a resident of the state of Missouri and the county in which he or she is a candidate for at least one year prior to the date of the general election for such office. candidate shall also be a registered voter and shall be current in the payment of all personal and business taxes. Before entering on the duties of the public administrator's office, the public administrator shall take the oath required by the constitution, and enter into bond to the state of Missouri in a sum not less than ten thousand dollars, with two or more securities, approved by the court and conditioned that the public administrator will faithfully discharge all the duties of the public administrator's office, which bond shall be given and oath of office taken on or before the first day of January following the public administrator's election, and it shall be the duty of the judge of the court to require the public administrator to make a statement annually, under oath, of the amount of property in the public administrator's hands or under the public administrator's control as such administrator, for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of bond necessary to secure such property; and such court may from time to time, as occasion shall

require, demand additional security of such administrator, and, in default of giving the same within twenty days after such demand, may remove the administrator and appoint another.

- 2. The public administrator in all counties, in the performance of the duties required by chapters 473, 474, and 475, is a public officer. The duties specified by section 475.120 are discretionary. The county shall defend and indemnify the public administrator against any alleged breach of duty, provided that any such alleged breach of duty arose out of an act or omission occurring within the scope of duty or employment.
- 3. After January 1, 2001, all salaried public administrators shall be considered county officials for purposes of section 50.333, subject to the minimum salary requirements set forth in section 473.742.
- 4. The public administrator for the city of St. Louis shall be appointed by a majority of the circuit judges and associate circuit judges of the twenty-second judicial circuit, en banc.

 Such public administrator shall meet the same qualifications and requirements specified in subsection 1 of this section for elected public administrators. The elected public administrator holding office on the effective date of this section shall continue to hold such office for the remainder of his or her term.
 - 473.733. The public administrator's certificate of election, <u>if applicable</u>, official oath and bond shall be filed and recorded with the probate clerk, and copies thereof, certified under the seal of such court, shall be evidence. Any person injured by the breach of such bond may sue upon the same

in the name of the state for his own use.

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2 473.737. 1. Each public administrator elected or appointed, as now or as hereafter provided for in sections 3 473.730 to 473.767, is hereby declared to be an officer for the 5 county in which such administrator is elected [and for the city of St. Louis, if elected therein] or appointed. The county 6 commissions of each county in this state shall make suitable 7 provision for an office for the public administrator in the 8 9 courthouse of the county if suitable space may be had for such an 10 office, and shall be provided as soon as the county commission 11 shall be of the opinion that the business in charge of the public 12 administrator is such as to reasonably require a separate office for the convenience of the public. The public administrator of 13 the city of St. Louis shall have suitable and convenient offices 15 provided for him or her in the civil courts building by that 16 city.

Each public administrator of a county, except a county of the first classification having a charter form of government, in which a state mental hospital is located, or any county of the second classification which contains a habilitation center operated by the department of mental health and which does not adjoin a county of the first classification shall be entitled to one secretary for one hundred cases or more handled by the office of the public administrator in the immediately preceding calendar year. Each secretary employed pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be paid in the same pay range as a court clerk II in the circuit court personnel system. All compensation paid secretaries employed pursuant to the provisions of this

- 1 subsection shall be paid out of the county treasury and the
- 2 commissioner of administration shall annually reimburse each
- 3 county for the compensation so paid upon proper demand being made
- 4 out of appropriations made for that purpose. The public
- 5 administrator in such counties may also appoint a person to act
- 6 as public administrator to serve during the absence of the public
- 7 administrator.
- 8 3. The governing bodies of each county and each city not
- 9 within a county of this state may provide clerical personnel, not
- 10 qualifying as status of deputy, for the public administrator of
- 11 the county, and such personnel shall be provided when the
- governing body is of the opinion that the business in charge of
- the public administrator is such as to reasonably require such
- 14 personnel for the welfare of the public.
- Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1.140
- to the contrary, the provisions of sections 32.087, 144.020,
- 17 144.021, 144.069, 144.071, 144.440, 144.450, 144.455, 144.525,
- 18 144.610, 144.613, and 144.615, as amended by this act, shall be
- 19 nonseverable, and if any provision is for any reason held to be
- 20 invalid, such decision shall invalidate all of the remaining
- 21 provisions of section 32.087, 144.020, 144.021, 144.069, 144.071,
- 22 144.440, 144.450, 144.455, 144.525, 144.610, 144.613, and
- 23 144.615, as amended by this act.
- 24 Section B. The repeal and reenactment of sections 115.121,
- 25 115.341, and 115.349 shall become effective on January 1, 2016.
- Section C. Because of the need to ensure local hospitals
- 27 can continue the purpose of providing the best care and treatment
- of the sick, disabled, and infirm persons as decided on by the

- 1 people in the affected community and because of the detrimental
- 2 impact that lost local revenues has had on the domestic economy
- 3 by placing Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors,
- 4 boats and trailers at a competitive disadvantage to non-Missouri
- 5 dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats and trailers,
- 6 the repeal and reenactment of sections 32.087, 144.020, 144.021,
- 7 144.069, 144.071, 144.440, 144.450, 144.455, 144.525, 144.610,
- 8 144.613, and 144.615 and the enactment of sections 96.229 and 1
- 9 of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of
- 10 the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby
- declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the
- constitution, repeal and reenactment of sections 32.087, 144.020,
- 13 144.021, 144.069, 144.071, 144.440, 144.450, 144.455, 144.525,
- 14 144.610, 144.613, and 144.615 and the enactment of sections
- 96.229 and 1 of this act shall be in full force and effect upon
- its passage and approval.