

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 47
97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Seniors, Families and Pensions, January 24, 2013, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 453.072, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to subsidized legal guardianship of a child.

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

Section A. Section 453.072, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 453.072, to read as follows:

453.072. 1. Any subsidies available to adoptive parents pursuant to
2 section 453.073 and section 453.074 shall also be available to a qualified relative
3 of a child **or a qualified close nonrelated person** who is granted legal
4 guardianship of the child in the same manner as such subsidies are available for
5 adoptive parents.

6 2. As used in this section:

7 (1) "Relative" means any grandparent, aunt, uncle, adult sibling of the
8 child or adult first cousin of the child, **or any other person related to the**
9 **child by blood or affinity;**

10 (2) "Close nonrelated person" means any nonrelated person
11 whose life is so intermingled with the child such that the relationship
12 is similar to a family relationship.

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