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AN ACT

To repeal sections 144.032 and 205.205, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to local hospitals.

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

Section A. Sections 144.032 and 205.205, RSMo, are repealed and four 2 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 96.155, 144.032, 3 205.205, and 206.165, to read as follows:

96.155. 1. The board of trustees of a hospital established pursuant to this chapter, with the concurrence of the council of the city $\mathbf{2}$ 3 of the third class, may, by resolution, abolish the property tax 4 authorized by section 96.150 to fund the operations of a hospital in 5 accordance with sections 96.150 to 96.228 and impose a sales tax on all 6 retail sales made within the city which are subject to sales tax under 7 chapter 144 and all sales of metered water services, electricity, 8 electrical current and natural, artificial or propane gas, wood, coal, or 9 home heating oil for domestic use only as provided under section 10 144.032. The tax authorized in this section shall be not more than one 11 percent, and shall be imposed solely for the purpose of funding the 12 operations of a hospital pursuant to sections 96.150 to 96.228. The tax 13 authorized in this section shall be in addition to all other sales taxes 14 imposed by law, and shall be stated separately from all other charges 15and taxes.

No such resolution adopted under this section shall become
 effective unless the board of trustees of such a hospital submits to the
 voters residing within the city of the third class at a state general,

19 primary, or special election a proposal to authorize the board of 20trustees to impose a tax under this section. If two-thirds of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor 2122of the question, then the tax shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the director of revenue receives 23notification of adoption of the local sales tax. If two-thirds of the votes 24cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed 2526to the question, then the tax shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters 27and such question is approved by two-thirds of the qualified voters 2829voting on the question.

30 3. All revenue collected under this section by the director of the department of revenue on behalf of the hospital operated pursuant to 3132sections 96.150 to 96.228, except for one percent for the cost of 33 collection which shall be deposited in the state's general revenue fund, 34shall be deposited in a special trust fund, which is hereby created and shall be known as the "City of the Third Class City Hospital Sales Tax 3536 Fund", and shall be used solely for the designated purposes. Moneys in the fund shall not be deemed to be state funds, and shall not be 37commingled with any funds of the state. The director may make 38refunds from the amounts in the fund and credited to the board of 39 trustees of the city hospital for erroneous payments and overpayments 40 made, and may redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the 41 credit of such board of trustees. Any funds in the special fund which 42are not needed for current expenditures shall be invested in the same 43manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned 44 on such investments shall be credited to the fund. 45

46 4. The board of trustees of a hospital operated pursuant to 47sections 96.150 to 96.228 that has adopted the sales tax authorized in 48 this section may submit the question of repeal of the tax to the voters on any date available for elections for the city of the third class. If a 49 majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting 50thereon are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become effective on 5152 December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the 53qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales 54tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question 55

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

58 5. Whenever the board of trustees of a hospital operated pursuant to sections 96.150 to 96.228 that has adopted the sales tax 59authorized in this section receives a petition, signed by a number of 60 registered voters of the city of the third class equal to at least ten 61 percent of the number of registered voters of the city voting in the last 62 63 gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the sales tax imposed under this section, the board of trustees shall submit to the 64 voters of the city of the third class a proposal to repeal the tax. If a 65 majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting 66 thereon are in favor of the repeal, the repeal shall become effective on 67 December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was 68 approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the 69 70 qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales 71tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal 72is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question. 73

746. If the tax is repealed or terminated by any means, all funds 75remaining in the special trust fund shall continue to be used solely for the designated purposes, and the board of trustees shall notify the 76 director of the department of revenue of the action at least ninety days 77before the effective date of the repeal and the director may order 78retention in the trust fund, for a period of one year, of two percent of 79 the amount collected after receipt of such notice to cover possible 80 refunds or overpayment of the tax and to redeem dishonored checks 81 and drafts deposited to the credit of such accounts. After one year has 82 83 elapsed after the effective date of abolition of the tax in such city of the third class, the director shall remit the balance in the account to the 84 85 district and close the account of that city hospital. The director shall notify each board of trustees of each instance of any amount refunded 86 87 or any check redeemed from receipts due the hospital operated 88 pursuant to sections 96.150 to 96.228.

144.032. The provisions of section 144.030 to the contrary notwithstanding, any city imposing a sales tax under the provisions of sections 94.500 to 94.570 or sections 96.150 to 92.228, or any county imposing a sales tax under the provisions of sections 66.600 to 66.635, or any county imposing a 5 sales tax under the provisions of sections 67.500 to 67.729 or section 205.205,
6 or any hospital district imposing a sales tax under the provisions of
7 section 206.165, or any hospital district imposing a sales tax under the

8 provisions of section 205.205 may by ordinance impose a sales tax upon all sales 9 of metered water services, electricity, electrical current and natural, artificial or 10 propane gas, wood, coal, or home heating oil for domestic use only. Such tax shall 11 be administered by the department of revenue and assessed by the retailer in the 12same manner as any other city, county, or hospital district sales tax. Domestic 13 use shall be determined in the same manner as the determination of domestic use 14for exemption of such sales from the state sales tax under the provisions of section 144.030. 15

205.205. 1. The governing body of any [hospital district] county which has established a county hospital under sections 205.160 to 205.379 [in any $\mathbf{2}$ county of the third classification without a township form of government and with 3 more than ten thousand six hundred but fewer than ten thousand seven hundred 4 inhabitants or any county of the third classification without a township form of 5government and with more than eleven thousand seven hundred fifty but fewer 6 than eleven thousand eight hundred fifty inhabitants] may, by resolution, 7 abolish the property tax authorized [in such district] by section 205.200 to 8 9 fund a county hospital under this chapter and impose a sales tax on all retail sales made within the district which are subject to sales tax under chapter 144 10 and all sales of metered water services, electricity, electrical current and natural, 11 artificial or propane gas, wood, coal, or home heating oil for domestic use only as 1213 provided under section 144.032. The tax authorized in this section shall be not 14 more than one percent, and shall be imposed solely for the purpose of funding the county hospital [district]. The tax authorized in this section shall be in addition 15to all other sales taxes imposed by law, and shall be stated separately from all 16 17other charges and taxes.

18 2. No such resolution adopted under this section shall become effective unless the governing body of the [hospital district] county submits to the voters 19residing within the [district] county at a state general, primary, or special 2021election a proposal to authorize the governing body of the [district] county to 22impose a tax under this section. If a majority of the votes cast on the question 23by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the question, then the tax 24shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the director of revenue receives notification of adoption of the local sales tax. If a 25majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon 26

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are opposed to the question, then the tax shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

313. All revenue collected under this section by the director of the 32department of revenue on behalf of the **county** hospital [district], except for one 33 percent for the cost of collection which shall be deposited in the state's general 34revenue fund, shall be deposited in a special trust fund, which is hereby created 35 and shall be known as the "County Hospital [District] Sales Tax Fund", and 36 shall be used solely for the designated purposes. Moneys in the fund shall not be deemed to be state funds, and shall not be commingled with any funds of the 37 state. The director may make refunds from the amounts in the fund and credited 38 39 to the district for erroneous payments and overpayments made, and may redeem 40 dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such district. Any funds in the special fund which are not needed for current expenditures shall be 41 invested in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and 42moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund. 43

4. The governing body of any [hospital district] county that has adopted 44 the sales tax authorized in this section may submit the question of repeal of the 4546 tax to the voters on any date available for elections for the district. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in 47favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of 48 49 the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the 50repeal, then the sales tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until 51the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the 5253repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

545. Whenever the governing body of any [hospital district] county that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section receives a petition, signed by 55a number of registered voters of the [district] county equal to at least ten 56percent of the number of registered voters of the [district] county voting in the 57last gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the sales tax imposed 58under this section, the governing body shall submit to the voters of the 59[district] county a proposal to repeal the tax. If a majority of the votes cast on 60 the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, the 61 repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in 62 which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question 63

64 by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales 65 tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question is 66 resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal is approved 67 by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

68 6. If the tax is repealed or terminated by any means, all funds remaining 69 in the special trust fund shall continue to be used solely for the designated 70 purposes, and the [hospital district] county shall notify the director of the department of revenue of the action at least ninety days before the effective date 7172of the repeal and the director may order retention in the trust fund, for a period of one year, of two percent of the amount collected after receipt of such notice to 73cover possible refunds or overpayment of the tax and to redeem dishonored checks 74and drafts deposited to the credit of such accounts. After one year has elapsed 7576 after the effective date of abolition of the tax in such district, the director shall remit the balance in the account to the [district] county and close the account 77 of that [district] county. The director shall notify each [district] county of 78each instance of any amount refunded or any check redeemed from receipts due 79 the [district] county. 80

7. The levy of a sales tax by a county pursuant to this section or section 205.202 shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of this section if it was approved prior to January 1, 2012, by the voters of the county.

206.165. 1. The governing body of any hospital district $\mathbf{2}$ established under sections 206.010 to 206.160 may, by resolution, abolish the property tax authorized in such district under this chapter 3 and impose a sales tax on all retail sales made within the district which 4 are subject to sales tax under chapter 144 and all sales of metered $\mathbf{5}$ water services, electricity, electrical current and natural, artificial or 6 7 propane gas, wood, coal, or home heating oil for domestic use only as provided under section 144.032. The tax authorized in this section shall 8 be not more than one percent, and shall be imposed solely for the 9 purpose of funding the hospital district. The tax authorized in this 10 section shall be in addition to all other sales taxes imposed by law, and 11 12shall be stated separately from all other charges and taxes.

2. No such resolution adopted under this section shall become
 effective unless the governing body of the hospital district submits to
 the voters residing within the district at a state general, primary, or
 special election a proposal to authorize the governing body of the

17district to impose a tax under this section. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor 18 of the question, then the tax shall become effective on the first day of 19 the second calendar quarter after the director of revenue receives 20notification of adoption of the local sales tax. If a majority of the votes 21cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed 22to the question, then the tax shall not become effective unless and until 2324the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters 2526voting on the question.

273. All revenue collected under this section by the director of the department of revenue on behalf of the hospital district, except for one 28percent for the cost of collection which shall be deposited in the state's 2930 general revenue fund, shall be deposited in a special trust fund, which is hereby created and shall be known as the "Hospital District Sales Tax 31 32Fund", and shall be used solely for the designated purposes. Moneys in the fund shall not be deemed to be state funds, and shall not be 33 commingled with any funds of the state. The director may make 34 refunds from the amounts in the fund and credited to the district for 35erroneous payments and overpayments made, and may redeem 36 dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such 37 district. Any funds in the special fund which are not needed for 38 current expenditures shall be invested in the same manner as other 39 funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such 40 investments shall be credited to the fund. 41

424. The governing body of any hospital district that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section may submit the question of 43 repeal of the tax to the voters on any date available for elections for 44 the district. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the 4546 qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in 47which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the 48 49question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales tax authorized in this section shall remain 50effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the 51qualified voters and the repeal is approved by a majority of the 52qualified voters voting on the question. 53

545. Whenever the governing body of any hospital district that has 55adopted the sales tax authorized in this section receives a petition, signed by a number of registered voters of the district equal to at least 56ten percent of the number of registered voters of the district voting in 57the last gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the 58sales tax imposed under this section, the governing body shall submit 5960 to the voters of the district a proposal to repeal the tax. If a majority 61 of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, the repeal shall become effective on 62 December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was 63 approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the 64 qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales 65 tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question 66 is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal 67 68 is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

69 6. If the tax is repealed or terminated by any means, all funds remaining in the special trust fund shall continue to be used solely for 70 the designated purposes, and the hospital district shall notify the 71director of the department of revenue of the action at least ninety days 72before the effective date of the repeal and the director may order 73retention in the trust fund, for a period of one year, of two percent of 74the amount collected after receipt of such notice to cover possible 7576refunds or overpayment of the tax and to redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such accounts. After one year has 77elapsed after the effective date of abolition of the tax in such district, 78the director shall remit the balance in the account to the district and 79close the account of that district. The director shall notify each district 80 81 of each instance of any amount refunded or any check redeemed from 82 receipts due the district.

7. The levy of a sales tax by a hospital district pursuant to section 205.205 shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of this section if it was approved prior to January 1, 2012, by the voters of the hospital district.

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