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97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 67, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the creation of a county municipal court.

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

Section A. Chapter 67, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 67.325, to read as follows:

67.325. 1. Any county of the first classification with more than forty thousand but fewer than fifty thousand inhabitants and with a city of the fourth classification with more than three thousand seven hundred but fewer than four thousand inhabitants as the county seat may prosecute and punish violations of its county orders in the circuit court of such counties in the manner and to the extent provided in this section or in a county municipal court if creation of a county municipal court is approved by order of the county commission. The county may adopt orders with penal provisions consistent with state law, but only in the areas of traffic violations, solid waste management, county building codes, on-site sewer treatment, zoning orders, and animal control. Any county municipal court established pursuant to the provisions of this section shall have jurisdiction over violations of that county's orders and the ordinances of municipalities with which the county has a contract to prosecute and punish violations of municipal ordinances of the municipality.

2. Except as provided in subsection 5 of this section in any county which has elected to establish a county municipal court pursuant to this section, the judges for such court shall be appointed by the county commission of such county, subject to confirmation by the legislative body of such county in the same manner as confirmation

22 for other county appointed officers. The number of judges appointed,
23 and qualifications for their appointment, shall be established by order
24 of the commission.

25 3. The practice and procedure of each prosecution shall be
26 conducted in compliance with all of the terms and provisions of
27 sections 66.010 to 66.140, except as provided for in this section.

28 4. Any use of the term ordinance in sections 66.010 to 66.140 shall
29 be synonymous with the term order for purposes of this section.

30 5. In any county of the first classification with more than forty
31 thousand but fewer than fifty thousand inhabitants and with a city of
32 the fourth classification with more than three thousand seven hundred
33 but fewer than four thousand inhabitants as the county seat, the first
34 judges shall be appointed by the county commission for a term of four
35 years, and thereafter the judges shall be elected for a term of four
36 years. The number of judges appointed, and qualifications for their
37 appointment, shall be established by order of the commission.

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