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98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 1, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the protection of parental rights.

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

Section A. Chapter 1, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 1.250, to read as follows:

1.250. 1. (1) **The liberty of a parent to direct the upbringing,
2 education, and care of his or her child is a fundamental right.**

3 (2) **Neither the state of Missouri nor any political subdivision of
4 this state shall infringe this right without demonstrating a compelling
5 governmental interest. Any law or policy shall be narrowly tailored
6 and by the least restrictive means to achieve such interest.**

7 2. (1) **This section applies to all laws of this state, and the
8 implementation of such laws, whether statutory or otherwise, and
9 whether adopted before or after the enactment of this section.**

10 (2) **Any statutory law enacted after the date of the enactment of
11 this section is subject to this section unless such law explicitly excludes
12 such application by reference to this section.**

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