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99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 161, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to virtual school transparency.

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

Section A. Chapter 161, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 161.672, to read as follows:

- 161.672. 1. By November first of each year, the department of
- 2 elementary and secondary education shall publish a report that details
- 3 the per-student costs of enrolling students in the virtual public school
- 4 established under section 161.670. The report shall include, but is not
- 5 limited to, the following information concerning the operation of the
- 6 virtual public school for the immediately preceding school fiscal year:
- 7 (1) The total number of students enrolled in the virtual public 8 school;
- 9 (2) The number of students enrolled in the virtual public school 10 broken down by school district;
- 11 (3) The number of participating students who had previously 12 dropped out of school;
- 13 (4) The number of participating students who had previously 14 been expelled from school;
- 15 (5) The total cost to enroll a student in each virtual course or
- 16 full-time program. This cost shall be reported on a per-student, per-
- 17 course, or per-semester basis by online vendor. The total shall include
- 18 costs broken down by content development, content licensing, training,
- 19 virtual instruction and instructional support, personnel, hardware and
- 20 software, payment to each online vendor, and other costs associated
- 21 with operating the virtual public school; and

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22 (6) The name of each online vendor contracted by the 23 department and the state in which each online vendor is 24 headquartered.

25 2. By March thirty-first of each year, the department of 26 elementary and secondary education shall submit to the budget 27 committee of the house of representatives and the appropriations 28 committee of the senate and the state budget director the report 29 required under subsection 1 of this section.

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