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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 640.136, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to public water fluoridation.

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

Section A. Section 640.136, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 640.136, to read as follows:

640.136. 1. Any public water system, as defined in section 640.102, or
2 public water supply district, as defined in chapter 247, which intends to make
3 modifications to fluoridation of its water supply shall notify the department of
4 natural resources, the department of health and senior services, and its
5 customers of its intentions at least ninety days prior to any vote on the
6 matter. The public water system or public water supply district shall notify its
7 customers via radio, television, newspaper, regular mail, electronic means, or any
8 combination of notification methods to most effectively notify customers at least
9 ninety days prior to any meeting at which the vote will occur. Any public water
10 system or public water supply district that violates the notification requirements
11 of this section shall return the fluoridation of its water supply to its previous
12 level until proper notification is provided under the provisions of this section.

13 2. In the case of an investor-owned water system, the entity calling for the
14 discussion of modifications to fluoridation shall be responsible for the provisions
15 of this section.

16 3. Any public water system, as defined in section 640.012, or
17 public water supply district, as defined in chapter 247, that intends to
18 make modifications to fluoridation of its water supply shall seek and
19 receive information about the impact of public water fluoridation from
20 the local health department.

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