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SENATE BILL NO. 5

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 556, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to criminal procedure, with an emergency clause.

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

Section A. Chapter 556, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 556.065, to read as follows:

556.065. 1. The provisions of this section shall apply to any city not within a county.

2. (1) The attorney general shall have concurrent jurisdiction with any circuit attorney to prosecute under this section.

(2) Upon receiving a referral from a law enforcement agency alleging a violation of sections 565.020, 565.021, or 570.027, the attorney general may commence prosecution of any violations of said sections within sixty days by filing a complaint, information, or indictment. Once the attorney general commences prosecution pursuant to this section, he or she may prosecute any additional violations that were part of the same course of conduct as the violation of sections 565.020, 565.021, or 570.027.

(3) If the circuit attorney has commenced prosecution by filing a complaint, information, or indictment, the attorney general may adopt or amend the complaint, information, or indictment and the circuit attorney shall immediately withdraw from the prosecution.

Section B. Because of the need to protect the citizens of the state of Missouri from violent crime, section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution,

5 and section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and
6 approval.

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