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# SENATE BILL NO. 795

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 2.040, 2.050, 2.060, 2.110, 3.010, 3.110, 3.140, 3.142, 3.150, 23.020, 23.040, and 23.050, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twelve new sections relating to the duties and functions of the joint committee on legislative research.

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

Section A. Sections 2.040, 2.050, 2.060, 2.110, 3.010, 3.110, 3.140, 3.142, 3.150, 23.020, 23.040, and 23.050, RSMo, are repealed and twelve new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 2.040, 2.050, 2.060, 2.110, 3.010, 3.110, 3.140, 3.142, 3.150, 23.020, 23.040, and 23.050, to read as follows:

2.040. 1. The joint committee on legislative research shall provide copies of all laws, measures and resolutions duly enacted by the general assembly and all amendments to the constitution and all measures approved by the people since the last publication of the session laws pursuant to section 2.030, giving the date of the approval or adoption thereof.

2. The joint committee on legislative research shall headnote, collate, index the laws, resolutions and constitutional amendments, and compare the proof sheets of the printed copies with the original rolls. The revisor of statutes shall insert therein an attestation under the revisor's hand that the revisor has compared the laws, resolutions, constitutional amendments and measures therein contained with the original rolls and copies in the office of the secretary of state and that the same are true copies of such laws, measures, resolutions and constitutional amendments as the same appear in the original rolls in the office of the secretary of state.

**3. Within forty-five calendar days of the passage of a**

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

16 **constitutional amendment, the joint committee on legislative research**  
17 **shall deliver to the secretary of state a copy of the revised**  
18 **constitutional amendments.**

19 4. The joint committee on legislative research shall cause the completed  
20 laws, resolutions and constitutional amendments to be printed and bound.

2.050. The complete printed copies of laws, resolutions, constitutional  
2 amendments and measures when printed and bound shall be delivered to the  
3 revisor of statutes who shall distribute [one copy without cost to each member of  
4 the general assembly and one copy each, without cost, to every county circuit  
5 clerk, circuit judge, associate circuit judge, prosecuting attorney, and sheriff. One  
6 copy each, without cost, shall be delivered to other officers, institutions and  
7 agencies who are entitled to copies of the Revised Statutes of Missouri under  
8 section 3.130, if requested] **such copies in accordance with section 3.130.**

2.060. The revisor of statutes may sell copies of the laws and resolutions,  
2 not [required by this chapter] **otherwise authorized** to be distributed without  
3 charge, at actual cost of printing and binding, as determined by the joint  
4 committee on legislative research, plus the cost of delivery, and the money  
5 received therefor shall be paid to the director of revenue and deposited in the  
6 state treasury to the credit of the statutory revision fund.

2.110. 1. The secretary of state, as soon as practicable after the effective  
2 date of this section and every four years thereafter if during any such period any  
3 amendments have been adopted, shall reprint, issue and distribute forty-five  
4 thousand copies of the Constitution of the state of Missouri in the form contained  
5 in "Report No. 5" of the committee on legislative research, together with the  
6 amendments that have been adopted since the preceding publication.

7 2. **In accordance with section 2.040, the joint committee on**  
8 **legislative research shall provide the secretary of state with a copy of**  
9 **all revised constitutional amendments for incorporation into the**  
10 **publication required under subsection 1 of this section.**

3.010. [Only upon the adoption of a concurrent resolution by the general  
2 assembly,] **In accordance with Article III, Section 34 of the Constitution**  
3 **of Missouri, at least every ten years** the revised statutes of Missouri shall  
4 be printed, published and distributed in as many volumes as the committee on  
5 legislative research (herein called "the committee") shall determine, and such  
6 publication shall be under the direction and supervision of the committee. The  
7 annotations or supplements may be printed separately [and without a concurrent

8 resolution being adopted by the general assembly]. The cost of printing, binding  
9 and delivery of such publication [shall] **may** be paid from funds appropriated  
10 from the general revenue for that purpose.

3.110. **For any purchase of the printing and publication of the revised**  
2 **statutes of Missouri, annotations thereto and supplements or pocket parts and**  
3 **the paper used therefor[, shall be obtained through the state director of the**  
4 **division of purchasing, as otherwise provided by law] that does not exceed one**  
5 **hundred fifty thousand dollars, the revisor of statutes shall obtain such**  
6 **printed items by requesting a bid from any reputable publisher of legal**  
7 **information in the United States. Upon request by the revisor, the state**  
8 **director of the division of purchasing shall provide any assistance**  
9 **deemed necessary by the revisor in obtaining such printed**  
10 **publications.**

3.140. The committee on legislative research may, through the revisor of  
2 statutes, sell copies of the revised statutes of Missouri, and any supplement or  
3 edition of pocket parts thereto, in print and/or in a web-based electronic format  
4 at a price to be determined by the committee, taking into account the cost of  
5 printing and binding, producing the statutes and maintaining the website,  
6 including the cost of delivery, and the money received therefor shall be paid to  
7 the director of revenue and deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the  
8 [general revenue] **statutory revision fund as required under section 3.142.**

3.142. 1. There is hereby established in the state treasury a revolving  
2 fund known as the "Statutory Revision Fund", and which shall receive funds paid  
3 to the revisor of statutes for sales of the revised statutes of Missouri or any  
4 supplement thereto, whether in printed, electronic, magnetic, or other form [and],  
5 **any funds received for any other service for which there is a fee charged by the**  
6 **committee on legislative research, and any funds transferred under**  
7 **subsection 2 of this section.** The committee on legislative research shall  
8 determine the form and any fees or charges for the statutes or services. The state  
9 treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and shall make disbursements from the  
10 fund for enhancing or producing the electronic form of the revised statutes in a  
11 computer readable form, enhancing the electronic processing of computerized  
12 legislative drafting and such other purposes authorized by the joint committee on  
13 legislative research upon appropriation by the general assembly. Moneys in the  
14 fund may also be used at the direction of the committee on legislative research  
15 to provide the revised statutes of Missouri and any supplement thereto to public

16 libraries of this state in a computer readable format for use by patrons of the  
17 libraries.

18       **2. To ensure sufficient funds are available for the annual**  
19 **publication of the revised statutes of Missouri, on the day in each fiscal**  
20 **year prior to the date upon which any general revenue appropriation**  
21 **to the joint committee on legislative research for legislative research**  
22 **administration purposes for such year would otherwise lapse, the state**  
23 **treasurer shall transfer to the statutory revision fund any amount for**  
24 **legislative research administration purposes not to exceed forty**  
25 **thousand dollars that would otherwise lapse.** Any unexpended balance in  
26 the fund at the end of any biennium not to exceed [twice the cost of providing the  
27 annual supplement to the revised statutes of Missouri] **four hundred thousand**  
28 **dollars** is exempt from the provisions of section 33.080 relating to transfer of  
29 unexpended balances to the ordinary revenue fund.

3.150. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter to the contrary, the  
2 revisor of statutes is hereby directed to codify all sections of law or portions of  
3 sections of law imposing court costs, fees, miscellaneous charges and surcharges  
4 imposed in connection with filing and prosecution of judicial cases, both civil and  
5 criminal, into one chapter of the revised statutes of Missouri. The revisor shall  
6 recodify those sections or portions of sections of existing law which impose such  
7 court costs, [including, but not limited to, sections 56.310, 56.765, 57.280, 57.290,  
8 57.955, 66.110, 67.133, 193.205, 193.265, 221.070, 221.120, 455.205, 476.053,  
9 478.401, 479.260, 479.261, 482.345, 483.500, 483.505, 483.530, 483.535, 483.550,  
10 483.580, 483.591, 485.100, 485.120, 487.170, 488.305, 488.605, 488.1005,  
11 488.1010, 491.280, 491.420, 494.455, 494.480, 513.623, 517.151, 561.035, 577.048,  
12 590.140 and 595.045, chapters 514 and 550, subsection 2 of sections 476.385 and  
13 488.2205,] and any other sections or portions of sections of law which impose such  
14 court costs, both existing and future, into one chapter of the revised statutes  
15 which deals with court costs, which shall be titled to reflect that all sections  
16 relating to such court costs are contained within said chapter. From time to time,  
17 the revisor of statutes shall call upon the state courts administrator for  
18 assistance in determining what sections, or portions of sections, of law impose  
19 court costs for purposes of this section.

23.020. The committee shall perform the following services for the  
2 members of the general assembly:

3       (1) Provide a research and reference service on legislative problems;

4 (2) Upon written request, make investigation into legislative and  
5 governmental institutions of this state or other states to aid the general  
6 assembly;

7 (3) Upon written request, assist and cooperate with any interim legislative  
8 committee or commission created by the general assembly;

9 (4) Upon written request, draft or aid in drafting **revision bills under**  
10 **section 23.045, and any resolutions[, memorials]** and amendments **directly**  
11 **related to any revision bill or the duties and functions of the joint**  
12 **committee on legislative research**, and render any other service in connection  
13 therewith for any member of the general assembly.

23.040. From the time the general assembly of the state convenes until  
2 it is adjourned finally, the committee on legislative research, through its  
3 representatives, shall give consideration to and service concerning any bill before  
4 the general assembly requested by any member of the senate or the house of  
5 representatives or any committee of the general assembly having the bills before  
6 it for consideration. This service shall continue after adjournment and during  
7 any recess or vacation. Employees of the committee shall not oppose or urge  
8 legislation but, upon request, shall assist members of the general assembly as to  
9 bills, resolutions and measures, [draft them in proper form] and furnish to  
10 members any available information upon matters which fall within the scope of  
11 the duties of the committee.

23.050. [1.] The committee may obtain information upon the needs,  
2 organization, functioning, efficiency and financial status of any department of  
3 state government or of any institution or agency which is supported in whole or  
4 in part by revenue of the state; collect and assemble information concerning the  
5 revenue of the state and the tax resources of the state and upon questions of  
6 statewide interest which may reasonably become subjects of legislative action or  
7 of legislative consideration; make available such information as is requested by  
8 any member or member-elect of the general assembly.

9 [2. The committee shall compile a report of its activities and a detailed  
10 account of its expenditures for submission to the general assembly, which report  
11 shall be completed at least thirty days prior to the convening of each regular  
12 session of the general assembly. The report shall be mailed to the post-office  
13 address of each member of the present and forthcoming general assembly and a  
14 copy of the report shall be submitted to each state elective officer. The report  
15 shall include any recommendations for legislative action as well as any

16 recommendations which the committee desires to make concerning the efficient  
17 and economical operation of the state government.]

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