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SENATE BILL NO. 527

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR HOUGH.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 574.085, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the offense of institutional vandalism, with existing penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Section 574.085, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 574.085, to read as follows:

574.085. 1. A person commits the offense of institutional vandalism if he or she knowingly vandalizes, defaces, or otherwise damages:

(1) Any church, synagogue or other building, structure or place used for religious worship or other religious purpose;

(2) Any cemetery, mortuary, military monument or other facility used for the purpose of burial or memorializing the dead;

(3) Any school, educational facility, community center, hospital or medical clinic owned and operated by a religious or sectarian group **or by any nonprofit entity;**

(4) The grounds adjacent to, and owned or rented by, any institution, facility, building, structure or place described in subdivision (1), (2), or (3) of this subsection;

(5) Any personal property contained in any institution, facility, building, structure or place

18 described in subdivision (1), (2), or (3) of this
19 subsection; or

20 (6) Any motor vehicle which is owned, operated, leased
21 or under contract by a school district or a private school
22 for the transportation of school children.

23 2. The offense of institutional vandalism is a class A
24 misdemeanor, unless the value of the property damage is
25 seven hundred fifty dollars or more, in which case the
26 offense is a class E felony; or the value of the property
27 damage is more than five thousand dollars, in which case the
28 offense is a class D felony.

29 3. In determining the amount of damage to property,
30 for purposes of this section, damage includes the cost of
31 repair or, where necessary, replacement of the property that
32 was damaged.

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