

Journal of the Senate

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

FIFTY-NINTH DAY - TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2025

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Wasinger in the Chair.

The Reverend Stephen George offered the following prayer:

“In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.” (Romans 8:37 NIV)

Almighty God, we thank You for the strength You provide when we face adversity. We ask that You would strengthen this Senate to meet the trials before us with courage, resolve, and grace. Remind us today that with Your help, we are not overcome by challenges but can rise above them. Bless our hands and hearts for the work ahead, and may our efforts honor You and those we serve. We ask this in Your Holy Name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

A quorum being established, the Senate proceeded with its business.

Photographers from ABC 17 News, Nexstar Media Group, and Missouri News Network were given permission to take pictures in the Senate Chamber.

The Journal of the previous day was read and approved.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin assumed the Chair.

SIGNING OF BILLS

The President Pro Tem announced that all other business would be suspended and **SCS for HB 810**, having passed both branches of the General Assembly, would be read at length by the Secretary, and if no objections be made, the bill would be signed by the President Pro Tem to the end that they may become law. No objections being made, the bill was so read by the Secretary and signed by the President Pro Tem.

President Wasinger assumed the Chair.

Senator Hudson assumed the Chair.

The following Senators were present during the day’s proceedings:

Present—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16)	Brown (26)
Burger	Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)
Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May
McCreery	Moon	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O’Laughlin	Roberts
Schnelting	Schroer	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—34	

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

RESOLUTIONS

Senator Bernskoetter offered Senate Resolution No. 419, regarding the Fiftieth Wedding anniversary of Daniel "Dan" and Juliana "Julie" (Wilbers) Weiberg, Jefferson City, which was adopted.

Senator Nicola offered Senate Resolution No. 420, regarding Amanda Spight, Independence, which was adopted.

Senator Bernskoetter offered Senate Resolution No. 421, regarding Richard Sheets, Jefferson City, which was adopted.

Senator Schnelting offered Senate Resolution No. 422, regarding Elizabeth Babcock, St. Charles, which was adopted.

Senator Schnelting offered Senate Resolution No. 423, regarding Olivia Van Horn, St. Charles, which was adopted.

Senator Schnelting offered Senate Resolution No. 424, regarding Lydia Hines, St. Charles, which was adopted.

President Pro Tem O'Laughlin assumed the Chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator Bernskoetter, Chair of the Committee on Fiscal Oversight, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Fiscal Oversight, to which was referred **HCS** for **HJR**s **23** and **3**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the joint resolution do pass.

Senator Bean, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources, to which was referred **HCS** for **HB** **169**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

Senator Black, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, Elections, and Pensions, submitted the following reports:

Madam President: Your Committee on Local Government, Elections and Pensions, to which was referred **HB** **233**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

Also,

Madam President: Your Committee on Local Government, Elections and Pensions, to which was referred **HCS** for **HB**s **44** and **426**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

Also,

Madam President: Your Committee on Local Government, Elections and Pensions, to which was referred **HB** **199**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

Senator Coleman, Chair of the Committee on Government Efficiency, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Government Efficiency, to which was referred **HCS** for **HB 999**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin appointed the following conference committee to act with a like committee from the House on **SS** for **HCS** for **HBs 595** and **343**, as amended: Senators Schroer, Trent, Gregory (15), Lewis, and Roberts.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin appointed the following conference committee to act with a like committee from the House on **SS** for **SCS** for **SBs 81** and **174**, with **HCS**: Senators Gregory (21), Hudson, Schroer, Webber, and Washington.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin appointed the following conference committee to act with a like committee from the House on **SS** for **SB 28**, as amended: Senators Bean, Burger, Fitzwater, McCreery, and Washington.

SIGNING OF BILLS

The President Pro Tem announced that all other business would be suspended and **SS** for **SB 1**, having passed both branches of the General Assembly, would be read at length by the Secretary, and if no objections be made, the bill would be signed by the President Pro Tem to the end that they may become law. No objections being made, the bill was so read by the Secretary and signed by the President Pro Tem.

Senator Hudson assumed the Chair.

PRIVILEGED MOTIONS

Senator Henderson moved that the Senate refuse to concur in **HCS** for **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 68** and request the House to recede from its position or, failing to do so, grant the Senate a conference thereon, which motion prevailed.

Senator Burger moved that the conferees on **SS** for **HCS** for **HBs 737** and **486**, as amended, be allowed to exceed the differences on Section 537.046, which motion prevailed.

Senator Burger, on behalf of the conference committee appointed to act with a like committee from the House on **SS** for **HCS** for **HBs 737** and **486**, moved that the following conference committee report be taken up, which motion prevailed.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILLS NOS. 737 and 486

The Conference Committee appointed on Senate Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 737 and 486, with Senate Amendment No. 1, begs leave to report that we, after free and fair discussion of the differences, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to the respective bodies as follows:

1. That the Senate recede from its position on Senate Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 737 and 486, as amended;
2. That the House recede from its position on House Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 737 and 486;
3. That the attached Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 737 and 486, be Third Read and Finally Passed.

FOR THE HOUSE:

/s/ Representative Melissa Schmidt
 /s/ Representative Wendy L. Hausman
 /s/ Representative Holly Jones
 /s/ Representative Betsy Fogle
 /s/ Representative Ken Jamison

FOR THE SENATE:

/s/ Senator Jamie Burger
 /s/ Senator Jill Carter
 /s/ Senator Travis Fitzwater
 /s/ Senator Karla May
 /s/ Senator Tracy McCreery

Senator Burger moved that the above conference committee report be adopted, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16)	Brown (26)
Burger	Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)
Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May
McCreery	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting
Schroer	Trent	Webber	Williams—32			

NAYS—Senator Moon—1

Absent—Senator Washington—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

On motion of Senator Burger, **CCS** for **SS** for **HCS** for **HBs 737** and **486**, entitled:

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
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 HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
 HOUSE BILLS NOS. 737 and 486

An Act to repeal sections 135.460, 210.110, 210.112, 210.145, 210.160, 210.560, 210.565, 210.762, 210.1012, 211.032, 211.211, 211.221, 211.261, 211.462, 451.040, 451.080, 451.090, 537.046, 568.045, 568.060, and 578.421, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twenty-six new sections relating to the protection of children, with penalty provisions.

Was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16)	Brown (26)
Burger	Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)

Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May
McCreery	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting
Schroer	Trent	Webber	Williams—32			

NAYS—Senator Moon—1

Absent—Senator Washington—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Burger, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Burger moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HB 419, introduced by Representative Mayhew, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 41.890 and 173.1153, RSMo , and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to tuition for military personnel.

Was taken up by Senator Crawford.

Senator Crawford offered **SS** for **HB 419**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 419

An Act to repeal sections 41.890, 172.280, 173.1153, 174.160, and 620.3250, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to educational offerings.

Senator Crawford moved that **SS** for **HB 419** be adopted.

Senator Burger assumed the Chair.

Senator Webber offered **SA 1**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 2, Section 172.280, Line 13, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“172.345. The eleventh day of November of each year shall be a public holiday for all employees of the University of Missouri system in observance of Veterans Day. When the eleventh day of November falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the Monday next following shall be considered the public holiday.

172.640. [Whenever said board shall contract with the seller of any such bonds or securities, the board shall requisition and the commissioner of administration shall approve, and the state auditor shall forthwith

issue, a warrant upon the state treasurer for the purchase price agreed upon, payable out of the seminary fund, in favor of such seller. All bonds or securities so purchased shall be made payable to, or be registered in the name of, the state treasurer as trustee of the seminary fund and shall be deposited as part of the seminary fund with the state treasurer who shall give his receipt therefor to said board of curators.] **1. The state university shall enter into an agreement with the state treasurer pursuant to section 30.286 to establish a separate custodial account at a financial institution in which the moneys in the seminary fund shall be deposited and held.**

2. The state university shall invest the moneys in the custodial account in government bonds pursuant to section 172.630.

3. The earnings on such bonds in the custodial account may be withdrawn by the state university, and any withdrawals shall be used by the state university for the maintenance of the state university, its college of agriculture, and its campus in Rolla.

4. The state university shall provide a report from the financial institution as to the receipts and expenditures from the custodial account to the state treasurer no less often than annually.

172.650. 1. All of the state certificates of indebtedness issued to, and part of, the seminary fund, whether original certificates or renewals thereof, are hereby confirmed as sacred obligations of the state to said fund, and they shall be and remain nonnegotiable, unconvertible and untransferable from the purposes of their issue, and they shall remain so much of the permanent seminary fund as is represented by their amounts, respectively, until they shall be liquidated by the general assembly by appropriation and payment of the face amounts thereof to the seminary fund.

2. The general assembly may provide for the partial liquidation of any and all of said certificates by appropriation and payment to the seminary fund of a portion or portions of the face amounts thereof and, in any such event, a new certificate of indebtedness shall issue for the balance of the face amount of such partially liquidated certificate which remains unpaid after such partial liquidation.

[3. When the certificates of indebtedness of the state to the seminary fund shall mature, renewal certificates in form substantially similar to the maturing certificates and for like amounts, payable to the state treasurer as trustee of the seminary fund, with like maturities, and bearing the same rates of interest, payable in like manner, as provided in the maturing certificates, shall be executed, countersigned, and sealed in like manner as specified in section 172.611.

4. Upon the execution of such renewal certificates, they shall be deposited with the state treasurer as part of the seminary fund and the matured certificates of indebtedness shall be forthwith cancelled by the state treasurer. Receipts for all original and renewal certificates of indebtedness deposited in the state treasury, and notices of all cancellations thereof, shall be given by the state treasurer to the board of curators of the state university.]"; and

Further amend said bill, page 4, section 174.160, line 36, by inserting after all of said line the following:

"190.800. 1. Each ground ambulance service, except for any ambulance service owned and operated by [an entity owned and operated by the state of Missouri, including but not limited to any hospital owned or operated by the board of curators, as defined in chapter 172, or] any department of the state, shall, in

addition to all other fees and taxes now required or paid, pay an ambulance service reimbursement allowance tax for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing ambulance services in this state.

2. For the purpose of this section, the following terms shall mean:

(1) “Ambulance”, the same meaning as such term is defined in section 190.100;

(2) “Ambulance service”, the same meaning as such term is defined in section 190.100;

(3) “Engaging in the business of providing ambulance services in this state”, accepting payment for such services.”; and

Further amend said bill, page 5, section 620.3250, line 34, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“[172.651. Whenever any bond or securities which are held in the seminary fund shall mature, the state treasurer, upon order of the board of curators of the state university, shall present the same for payment, and shall hold the proceeds thereof as part of the seminary fund, and such proceeds shall be immediately reinvested as in sections 172.610 to 172.720 provided.]

[172.660. 1. The state treasurer shall be the custodian of all original and renewal certificates of indebtedness of the state to the seminary fund and of all bonds and securities in which the seminary fund shall be invested, and also of all moneys belonging to said seminary fund, and he and his sureties shall be responsible on his official bond for the performance of his duties in the safekeeping, disbursement and investment of all money or property of the seminary fund in accordance with the provisions of sections 172.610 to 172.720.

2. The state treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all certificates of indebtedness, money, bonds and securities in the seminary fund, the maturities thereof, the rates of interest thereon, and the dates when said interest is payable, and shall certify to the board of curators quarter-yearly such accounts and reports relating thereto as may be required by said board.

3. The state treasurer shall include in each of his reports to the general assembly a full account of all receipts and expenditures on account of the seminary fund and the income therefrom and a report of all information in his possession which relates to such fund and property dedicated to the use of the university.]

[172.661. 1. The board of curators shall keep a regular account with the state treasurer and all other persons in relation to the seminary fund.

2. The board of curators of the state university shall require all persons who shall have received any money belonging to said fund or income to settle their accounts, and, in that name, may sue for and recover all moneys due from any person on account of such fund or income.]

[172.680. The state treasurer, whenever any bonds or securities shall have been purchased by the board of curators for the seminary fund and payment therefor and delivery thereof have been made, shall plainly stamp on the face of each of said bonds or securities these words: “This bond is the property of the seminary fund”, and shall sign such statement, and thereafter no bond or securities so stamped shall be negotiable, but it or they shall only be payable to the state treasurer as trustee of

the seminary fund. The interest on all such bonds or securities, when due, shall be collected by the state treasurer and credited to the "State Seminary Moneys Fund", which is hereby created, and the payment of such interest certified by him to the board of curators.]

[172.720. The income received from the seminary fund shall be paid for the maintenance of the state university, its College of Agriculture and University of Missouri-Rolla, upon requisition by the board of curators upon the commissioner of administration and shall be applied as in sections 172.610 to 172.720.]; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Webber moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory (15) offered SA 2:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 3, Section 173.1153, Line 41, by inserting after all of said line the following:

"173.2655. 1. This section and section 173.2660 shall be known and may be cited as the "Public Safety Recruitment and Retention Act".

2. For purposes of this section and section 173.2660, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms mean:

(1) "Advanced emergency medical technician", as such term is defined in section 190.100;

(2) "Department", the department of higher education and workforce development;

(3) "Emergency medical technician", as such term is defined in section 190.100;

(4) "Firefighter", any officer or employee of a fire department who is employed for the purpose of fighting fires, excluding volunteer firefighters and anyone employed in a clerical or other capacity not involving fire-fighting duties;

(5) "Institution of higher education", a public community college, state college, or state university located in Missouri; or an approved private institution, as such term is defined in section 173.1102, that chooses to accept any tuition award money pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection 7 of this section or an emergency medical services training entity accredited or certified by the Missouri department of health and senior services pursuant to the provisions of section 190.131;

(6) "Legal dependent", as such term is defined by the United States Department of Education for purposes of the Free Application for Student Financial Aid;

(7) "Line of duty", any action that public safety personnel is authorized or obligated by law, rule, or regulation to perform, related to or as a condition of employment or service;

(8) "Open seat", a vacant position in a class, course, or program that is available for enrollment, and which may become available when a student drops out or transfers, or when a class, course, or program has unused capacity, allowing new students to register or enroll;

(9) “Paramedic”, as such term is defined in section 190.100;

(10) “Police officer”, any person who, by virtue of office or public employment, is vested by law with the power and duty to make arrests for violation of the laws of the state of Missouri or ordinances of any municipality thereof, while acting within the scope of his or her authority as an employee of a public law enforcement agency, as such term is defined in section 590.1040;

(11) “Public safety personnel”, includes any police officer, firefighter, paramedic, telecommunicator first responder, emergency medical technician, or advanced emergency medical technician who is trained and authorized by law or rule to render emergency medical assistance or treatment;

(12) “Telecommunicator first responder”, as such term is defined in section 650.320;

(13) “Tuition”, the charges and cost of tuition as set by the governing body of an institution of higher education, including fees such as course fees, activity fees, technology fees, and mandatory fees charged by such institution to all full-time students as a condition of enrollment, but excluding the costs of room, board, books, and any other educational materials, equipment, or supplies.

3. Subject to appropriation, public safety personnel with at least six years of service shall be entitled to an award worth up to one hundred percent of the resident tuition charges of an institution of higher education if the individual:

(1) Possesses one of the following:

(a) A current, valid license issued by the department of health and senior services authorizing such person to serve as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, or paramedic;

(b) A current, valid license issued by the peace officer standards and training commission authorizing such person to serve as a peace officer pursuant to the provisions of chapter 590;

(c) A current, valid certificate issued by the division of fire safety authorizing such person to serve as a firefighter; or

(d) A current, valid certificate confirming successful completion of any ongoing training requirements pursuant to section 650.340; and

(e) For all public safety personnel, a certificate of verification signed by the individual's supervisor or employer verifying that such individual is currently employed full-time as public safety personnel and trained and authorized by law or rule to render emergency medical assistance or treatment;

(2) Meets all admission requirements of the institution of higher education;

(3) Has not already earned a baccalaureate degree;

(4) Pursues studies leading to a license or certification issued by a training entity accredited or certified pursuant to the provisions of section 190.131, an associate degree or baccalaureate degree in one of the following academic subject areas:

(a) For police officers, eligible subjects include forensic science, fisheries and wildlife, political science, psychology, history, philosophy, sociology, anthropology, global studies, Spanish, journalism, advertising, public relations, nutrition and health sciences, communication sciences and disorders, and criminal justice;

(b) For firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, and advanced emergency medical technicians, eligible subjects include biology, chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology, nutrition and health sciences, communication sciences and disorders, Spanish, advertising, public relations, paramedicine, fire science, fire technology, fire administration, fire management, communications, homeland security, emergency management, disaster management, and crisis management; and

(c) For telecommunicator first responders, eligible subjects include any subject specified in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subdivision;

(5) Submits verification of the professional license or certificate and the certificate of verification required by subdivision (1) of this subsection to the department, in a form and manner as prescribed by the department;

(6) Files with the department documentation showing proof of employment as public safety personnel and proof of residence in Missouri each year such individual or such individual's legal dependent applies for and receives the tuition award;

(7) First applies for all other forms of federal and state student financial aid before applying for a tuition award, including, but not limited to, filing the United States Department of Education Free Application for Federal Student Aid and, if applicable, applying for financial assistance pursuant to the provisions of 38 U.S.C. Section 3301, et seq.; and

(8) Submits a document to the department confirming that the public safety personnel has satisfied the provisions of subdivision (7) of this subsection, to be submitted in a form and manner as prescribed by the department.

4. Public safety personnel may receive the tuition award pursuant to subsection 3 of this section for up to five years if they otherwise continue to be eligible for the tuition award. The five years of tuition award eligibility starts once the individual applies for and receives the tuition award for the first time and is available to such individual for the next five consecutive years or the individual's achievement of one hundred twenty credit hours, whichever occurs first.

5. Subject to appropriation, a legal dependent of public safety personnel with at least ten years of service shall be entitled to a tuition award worth up to one hundred percent of the resident tuition charges of an institution of higher education for an associate or baccalaureate degree program if such public safety personnel satisfies the provisions of subdivisions (1), (5), and (6) of subsection 3 of this section and the legal dependent:

(1) Executes an agreement with the department in accordance with the provisions of section 173.2660;

(2) Has not previously earned a baccalaureate degree;

(3) Meets all admission requirements of the institution of higher education;

(4) First applies for all other forms of federal and state student financial aid before applying for a tuition award, including, but not limited to, filing the United States Department of Education Free Application for Federal Student Aid and, if applicable, applying for financial assistance pursuant to the provisions of 38 U.S.C. Section 3301, et seq.;

(5) Submits a document to the department confirming that the legal dependent has satisfied subdivision (4) of this subsection, to be submitted in a form and manner as prescribed by the department;

(6) Submits the verification required pursuant to subsection 8 of this section to the department; and

(7) Pursues studies leading to a license or certification issued by a training entity accredited or certified pursuant to the provisions of section 190.131, an associate degree or baccalaureate degree in any one of the subject areas specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subdivision (4) of subsection 3 of this section.

6. A legal dependent may receive the tuition award for up to five years if the public safety personnel and the legal dependent continue to be eligible for such tuition award. The five years of tuition award eligibility starts once the legal dependent applies for and receives the tuition award for the first time and is available to such legal dependent for the next five consecutive years or the legal dependent's achievement of one hundred twenty credit hours, whichever occurs first.

7. The tuition award shall be worth:

(1) Up to one hundred percent of the public safety personnel's or the legal dependent's tuition remaining due after subtracting awarded federal financial aid grants and state scholarships and grants for the eligible public safety personnel or legal dependent during the time the public safety personnel or legal dependent is enrolled. To remain eligible, the public safety personnel or legal dependent shall comply with all requirements of the institution for continued attendance and award of an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree; or

(2) In the case of tuition at an approved private institution, up to one hundred percent of the public safety personnel's or the legal dependent's tuition remaining due after subtracting awarded federal financial aid grants and state scholarships and grants for the eligible public safety personnel or legal dependent during the time the public safety personnel or legal dependent is enrolled, up to a maximum amount that is equal to the total cost of tuition and mandatory fees charged to a Missouri resident at the public community college, state college, or state university with the highest combined tuition and mandatory fee cost in the state at the time a tuition grant is awarded, as determined by the department. A private institution that chooses to accept as a tuition payment any tuition award money pursuant to this subdivision shall not charge the recipient of the tuition award any tuition that exceeds the maximum combined tuition and mandatory fee cost as determined by the department prior to the application of the tuition award.

8. (1) An application for a tuition award shall include a verification of the public safety personnel's satisfaction of the requirements of subdivisions (1), (5), and (6) of subsection 3 of this

section. The public safety personnel shall include such verification when he or she or his or her legal dependent is applying to the department for a tuition waiver.

(2) The death of public safety personnel in the line of duty which occurs after submission of an application for a tuition award shall not disqualify such individual's otherwise eligible legal dependent from receiving the tuition award. In such case, in lieu of submitting the certificate of verification provided for in subdivision (1) of this subsection, the legal dependent shall submit a statement attesting that:

(a) At the time of death, such public safety personnel satisfied the requirements of subdivision (1) of this subsection; and

(b) Such public safety personnel died in the line of duty.

9. The department shall provide a tuition award to public safety personnel and legal dependents who satisfy the provisions of this section and section 173.2660, if applicable, and apply for an open seat at an institution of higher education, but shall not provide a tuition award if doing so would require the institution to create additional seats exceeding class, course, or program capacity.

10. All applicants for a tuition award shall submit their applications to the department no later than December fifteenth annually. No later than March first annually, the department shall send written notice of the applicant's eligibility or ineligibility for the tuition award and state whether the application has been approved or denied. If the applicant is determined not to be eligible for the tuition award, the notice shall include the reason or reasons for such determination. If the application is denied, the notice shall include the reason or reasons for the denial.

11. The department shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section and section 173.2660. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2025, shall be invalid and void.

12. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Public Safety Recruitment and Retention Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated by the general assembly or any gifts, donations, or bequests for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this section and section 173.2660. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and money in the fund shall be used solely by the department of higher education and workforce development for the purpose of granting tuition awards as provided in this section and section 173.2660.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund.

(3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

13. In any year in which moneys in the public safety recruitment and retention fund are insufficient to fully fund tuition awards for all eligible applicants, tuition awards shall be awarded in the following order of priority; provided that, in the event of a tie in eligibility, available funds shall be distributed on a pro rata basis:

(1) Priority class one shall include public safety personnel, in the following order:

(a) Public safety personnel in departments located wholly or partially in counties or cities not within a county with the highest crime rate per capita, as determined by the most recent uniform crime reporting statistics from the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

(b) Public safety personnel with the most years of service; and

(2) Priority class two shall include dependents of public safety personnel, in the following order:

(a) Dependents of public safety personnel in departments located wholly or partially in counties or cities not within a county with the highest crime rate per capita, as determined by the most recent uniform crime reporting statistics from the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

(b) Dependents of public safety personnel with the most years of service.

14. The tuition awards provided for in this section and section 173.2660 are subject to appropriation. If there are no moneys in the fund established in subsection 12 of this section, no tuition awards shall be granted.

173.2660. 1. Each legal dependent who is a tuition award recipient pursuant to the provisions of section 173.2655 shall execute an agreement as provided in this section. Such agreement shall include the following terms, as appropriate:

(1) The tuition award recipient agrees to reside within the state of Missouri for a period of five years following the use of the tuition award;

(2) Each year during the five-year period following use of the tuition award, the tuition award recipient agrees to file a state income tax return and provide a copy of such tax return to the department to document that such recipient still resides in the state of Missouri;

(3) If the tuition award recipient fails to annually file a tax return to prove residency in the state of Missouri for the five-year period following the use of the tuition award or fails to remain a resident of Missouri for the five-year period following the use of the tuition award, the tuition award recipient agrees that the tuition award shall be treated as a loan to such recipient, subject to the following conditions:

(a) Interest shall be charged on the unpaid balance of the amount received from the date the recipient ceases to reside in Missouri until the amount received is paid back to the state. The interest rate shall be adjusted annually and shall be equal to one percentage point over the prevailing United States prime rate in effect on January first of such year; and

(b) The servicer of such loans shall be the higher education loan authority of the state of Missouri created pursuant to sections 173.350 to 173.445; and

(4) Any residency, filing, or payment obligation incurred by the tuition award recipient under section 173.2655 is canceled in the event of the tuition award recipient's total and permanent disability or death.

2. The five-year residency requirement begins once the legal dependent applies for and receives the tuition award for the first time and continues until the tuition award recipient's:

(1) Completion of the five-year tuition award eligibility period;

(2) Completion of a baccalaureate degree at an institution of higher education;

(3) Completion of an associate degree at a public community college and notification to the department that such recipient does not intend to pursue a baccalaureate degree or additional associate degree using tuition awards pursuant to the public safety recruitment and retention act; or

(4) Notification to the department that such recipient does not plan to use additional tuition awards pursuant to the public safety recruitment and retention act.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Gregory (15) moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Henderson offered SA 3:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 3

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 4, Section 174.160, Line 36, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“178.786. 1. The coordinating board for higher education, with the assistance of an advisory committee composed of representatives from each public community college in this state and each public four-year institution of higher education, shall develop a recommended lower division core curriculum of forty-two semester credit hours, including a statement of the content, component areas, and objectives of the core curriculum. A majority of the members of the advisory committee shall be faculty members from Missouri public institutions of higher education.

2. The coordinating board shall approve a common course numbering equivalency matrix for the forty-two credit hour block at all institutions of higher education in the state to facilitate the transfer of those courses among institutions of higher education by promoting consistency in course designation and course identification. Each community college and four-year institution of higher education shall include in its course listings the applicable course numbers from the common course numbering equivalency matrix approved by the coordinating board under this subsection.

3. The coordinating board shall complete the requirements of subsections 1 and 2 of this section prior to January 1, 2018, for implementation of the core curriculum transfer recommendations for the 2018-19 academic year for all public institutions of higher education.

4. (1) The coordinating board, with the assistance of an advisory committee composed of an equal number of representatives from each public community college in this state and each public four-year institution of higher education in this state, shall approve a sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block and a common course numbering equivalency matrix for the following degree programs:

- (a) General business;**
- (b) Elementary education and teaching;**
- (c) General psychology;**
- (d) Nursing; and**
- (e) General biology or biological science, or both.**

(2) Such sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block shall facilitate the transfer of courses that are part of such program among public institutions of higher education in this state by promoting consistency in course designation and course identification.

(3) Each public community college and public four-year institution of higher education in this state offering the degree programs described in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall include in its programs of study the common course numbering equivalency matrix approved by the coordinating board under this subsection.

(4) Notwithstanding any provision of this section or section 178.787 to the contrary, the advisory committee may, upon a unanimous vote, approve a number of credit hours that differs from the sixty-credit-hour requirement for the transferable, lower-division course equivalency block and common course numbering equivalency matrix for the degree programs listed in paragraphs (a) to (e) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

5. The coordinating board shall complete the requirements of subsection 4 of this section before June 30, 2027, for implementation of the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block for the degree programs described in subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section for the 2028-29 academic year for all public institutions of higher education in this state.

178.787. 1. Each community college, as defined in section 163.191, and public four-year institution of higher education shall adopt the forty-two credit hour block, including specific courses comprising the curriculum, based on the core curriculum recommendations made by the coordinating board for higher education under subsections 1 and 2 of section 178.786, for implementation beginning in the 2018-19 academic year.

2. If a student successfully completes the forty-two credit core curriculum at a community college or other public institution of higher education, that block of courses may be transferred to any other public institution of higher education in this state and shall be substituted for the receiving institution's core curriculum. A student shall receive academic credit for each of the courses transferred and shall not be required to take additional core curriculum courses at the receiving institution.

3. A student who transfers from one public institution of higher education to another public institution of higher education in the state without completing the core curriculum of the sending institution shall receive academic credit from the receiving institution for each of the courses that the student has successfully completed in the core curriculum of the sending institution. Following receipt of credit for these courses, the student may be required to satisfy further course requirements in the core curriculum of the receiving institution.

4. **Each community college in this state, as defined in section 163.191, and public four-year institution of higher education in this state shall adopt the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block and common course numbering equivalency matrix for the degree programs described in subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of section 178.786, including specific courses constituting the block, based on the core outcome recommendations made by the coordinating board for higher education under subsection 4 of section 178.786, for implementation beginning in the 2028-29 academic year. No institution of higher education in this state shall be required to adopt the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block for degree programs not offered at the institution.**

5. **If a student successfully completes the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division courses at a community college or other public institution of higher education in this state, such block of courses may be transferred to any other public institution of higher education in this state and shall be substituted for the receiving institution's lower-division block for the same degree program. A student shall receive academic credit toward the student's degree for each of the courses transferred and shall not be required to take additional equivalent courses at the receiving institution for the same degree program.**

6. **A student who transfers from one public institution of higher education in this state to another public institution of higher education in this state without completing the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block of the sending institution shall receive academic credit toward the same degree program from the receiving institution for each of the courses that the student has successfully completed in the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block of the sending institution. Following receipt of credit for such courses, the student may be required to satisfy further course requirements in the sixty-credit-hour, transferable, lower-division course equivalency block of the receiving institution.**

7. **The coordinating board shall report to the house higher education committee and the senate education committee on progress related to the requirements of subsections 4 and 5 of section 178.786 and subsections 4, 5, and 6 of this section before December 31, 2026.”; and**

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Henderson moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Brattin offered SA 4:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 4

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 1, Section 41.890, Line 8, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“160.701. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) “Active duty”, any person who is on full-time duty status in the active uniformed service of the United States, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders pursuant to 10 U.S.C. Section 1209 and 1211;

(2) “Activities association”, any nonprofit statewide organization that facilitates interscholastic activities for secondary school students, and whose members include at least one public school district that pays any fees to such association, including, but not limited to, activity participation fees, tournament registration fees, membership fees, or any other fees relating to membership in such association or participation in any activities facilitated by such association.

2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a statewide activities association shall not require any student who is on active duty to attend a minimum number of practices as a condition of such student's membership on any group or team facilitated or overseen by such association.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Brattin moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Carter offered **SA 5**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 5

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 4, Section 174.160, Line 36, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“174.231. 1. On and after August 28, 2005, the institution formerly known as Missouri Southern State College located in Joplin, Jasper County, shall be known as “Missouri Southern State University”. Missouri Southern State University is hereby designated and shall hereafter be operated as a statewide institution of international or global education, **health and life sciences, and immersive learning experiences. The Missouri Southern State University is hereby designated a moderately selective institution which shall provide associate degree programs except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, baccalaureate degree programs, and graduate degree programs pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection 2 of section 173.005. The institution shall develop such academic support programs and public service activities it deems necessary and appropriate to establish international or global education as a distinctive theme of its mission.**

2. As of July 1, 2008, Missouri Southern State University shall discontinue any and all associate degree programs unless the continuation of such associate degree programs is approved by the coordinating board for higher education pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of section 173.005.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Carter moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator McCreery offered **SA 6**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 6

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 1, Section 41.890, Line 8, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“160.082. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the “Missouri Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair (Missouri CROWN) Act”.

2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) “Educational institution”, any public or private prekindergarten program, public or private elementary or secondary school, or public or private school board or other school administrative body;

(2) “Protective hairstyles”, includes, but is not limited to, such hairstyles and coverings that are designed to protect textured hair from damage so it may be worn in its natural state as braids, locks, twists, and afros;

(3) “Race”, includes a perception that a person is of a particular racial group based upon shared physical traits associated with ancestral origin or ethnicity, shared cultural attributes, and similar physical characteristics such as skin color and facial features;

(4) “State financial assistance”, any funds or other form of financial aid appropriated or authorized under the laws of this state, or under any federal law administered by any state agency, for the purpose of providing assistance to any educational institution for its own benefit or for the benefit of any pupils admitted to the educational institution. “State financial assistance” shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

(a) Grants of state property, or any interest therein;

(b) Provision of the services of state personnel; and

(c) Funds provided by contract, tax rebate, appropriation, allocation, or formula;

(5) “State student financial aid”, any funds or other form of financial aid appropriated or authorized under the laws of this state, or under any federal law administered by any state agency, for the purpose of providing assistance directly to any student admitted to an educational institution. “State student financial aid” shall include, but not be limited to, scholarships, loans, grants, or wages.

3. No person shall be subjected to discrimination based on the person's hair texture or protective hairstyle, if that protective hairstyle or texture is commonly associated with a particular race or origin, in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution that receives or benefits from state financial assistance or enrolls pupils who receive state student financial aid; provided, however, that such institution may require the use of hair nets or coverings or may require that hair be secured for safety purposes in any career and technical training course or class to comply with safety regulations and standards of the course or class throughout the duration of the course or class.

4. The provisions of subsection 3 of this section shall not apply to an educational institution that is controlled by a religious organization if the application of such provision would not be consistent with the religious tenets of that organization.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator McCreery moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Gregory (21) offered SA 7:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 7

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 4, Section 174.160, Line 36, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“191.600. 1. Sections 191.600 to 191.615 establish a loan repayment program for graduates of [approved medical schools, schools of osteopathic medicine, schools of dentistry and accredited chiropractic colleges] **an accredited graduate training program in any discipline designated in rule by the department** who practice in areas of defined need [and shall be known as the “Health Professional Student Loan Repayment Program”. Sections 191.600 to 191.615 shall apply to graduates of accredited chiropractic colleges when federal guidelines for chiropractic shortage areas are developed], **to be known as the “Missouri State Loan Repayment Program (MOSLRP)”. In designating disciplines, the department shall comply with limitations set forth in the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program, 42 U.S.C. Section 254I-1, and any related notices of funding opportunity.**

2. The [“Health Professional Student Loan and] **“Missouri State Loan Repayment Program Fund”** is hereby created in the state treasury. All funds recovered from an individual pursuant to section 191.614 and all funds generated by loan repayments and penalties received pursuant to section 191.540 shall be credited to the fund. The moneys in the fund shall be used by the department of health and senior services to provide loan repayments pursuant to section 191.611 in accordance with sections 191.600 to 191.614.

191.603. As used in sections 191.600 to 191.615, the following terms shall mean:

(1) “Areas of defined need”, areas designated by the department pursuant to section 191.605, when services [of a physician, including a psychiatrist, chiropractor, or dentist] are needed to improve the patient-health professional ratio in the area, to contribute health care professional services to an area of economic impact, or to contribute health care professional services to an area suffering from the effects of a natural disaster;

(2) [“Chiropractor”, a person licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 331;]

[(3)] “Department”, the department of health and senior services[;]

[(4)] “General dentist”, dentists licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 332 engaged in general dentistry and who are providing such services to the general population;]

[(5)] “Primary care physician”, physicians licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 334 engaged in general or family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics or obstetrics and gynecology as their primary specialties, and who are providing such primary care services to the general population;]

[(6) “Psychiatrist”, the same meaning as in section 632.005].

191.605. 1. The department shall designate counties, communities, or sections of urban areas as areas of defined need for medical, psychiatric, [chiropractic,] or dental services when such county, community or section of an urban area has been designated as a primary care health professional shortage area, a mental health care professional shortage area, or a dental health care professional shortage area by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, or has been determined by the director of the department of health and senior services to have an extraordinary need for health care professional services, without a corresponding supply of such professionals.

2. Annually, at least thirty-five percent of the appropriated funds allocated for the Missouri state loan repayment program shall be designated for awards to primary care physicians and general dentists. Any unused portion of such designated funds shall be made available within the same fiscal year to the other types of health professions designated by the department under section 191.600.

191.607. The department shall adopt and promulgate regulations establishing standards for determining eligible persons for loan repayment pursuant to sections 191.600 to 191.615. These standards shall include, but are not limited to the following:

(1) Citizenship or permanent residency in the United States;

(2) Residence in the state of Missouri;

(3) [Enrollment as a full-time medical student in the final year of a course of study offered by an approved educational institution or licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy pursuant to chapter 334, including psychiatrists;]

[(4) Enrollment as a full-time dental student in the final year of course study offered by an approved educational institution or licensed to practice general dentistry pursuant to chapter 332;]

[(5) Enrollment as a full-time chiropractic student in the final year of course study offered by an approved educational institution or licensed to practice chiropractic medicine pursuant to chapter 331] **Authorization to practice as any type of health professional designated in section 191.600;**

[(6)] **(4) Practice in an area of defined need; and**

(5) Submission of an application for loan repayment.

191.611. 1. A loan payment provided for an individual under a written contract under the [health professional student loan payment] **Missouri state loan repayment** program shall consist of payment on behalf of the individual of the principal, interest, and related expenses on government and commercial loans received by the individual for tuition, fees, books, laboratory, and living expenses incurred by the individual.

2. For each year of obligated services that an individual contracts to serve in an area of defined need, the director may pay an amount not to exceed the maximum amounts allowed under the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program, 42 U.S.C. Section [2541-1, P.L. 106-213] **2541-1**, on behalf of the individual for loans described in subsection 1 of this section.

3. The department may enter into an agreement with the holder of the loans for which repayments are made pursuant to the [health professional student loan payment] **Missouri state loan repayment** program to establish a schedule for the making of such payments if the establishment of such a schedule would result in reducing the costs to the state.

4. Any qualifying communities providing a portion of a loan repayment shall be considered first for placement.

191.614. 1. [An individual who has entered into a written contract with the department; and in the case of an individual who is enrolled in the final year of a course of study and fails to maintain an acceptable level of academic standing in the educational institution in which such individual is enrolled or voluntarily terminates such enrollment or is dismissed from such educational institution before completion of such course of study or fails to become licensed pursuant to chapter 331, 332 or 334 within one year shall be liable to the state for the amount which has been paid on his or her behalf under the contract.

2.] If an individual breaches the written contract of the individual by failing either to begin such individual's service obligation or to complete such service obligation, the state shall be entitled to recover from the individual an amount equal to the sum of:

(1) The total of the amounts prepaid by the state on behalf of the individual;

(2) The interest on the amounts which would be payable if at the time the amounts were paid they were loans bearing interest at the maximum prevailing rate as determined by the Treasurer of the United States;

(3) An amount equal to any damages incurred by the department as a result of the breach; **and**

(4) Any legal fees or associated costs incurred by the department or the state of Missouri in the collection of damages.

[3.] 2. The department may act on behalf of a qualified community to recover from an individual described in [subsections 1 and 2 of] this section the portion of a loan repayment paid by such community for such individual.

191.615. 1. The department shall submit a grant application to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services as prescribed by the secretary to obtain federal funds to finance the [health professional student] **Missouri state** loan repayment program.

2. Sections 191.600 to 191.615 shall not be construed to require the department to enter into contracts with individuals who qualify for the [health professional student] **Missouri state** loan repayment program when federal and state funds are not available for such purpose.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Gregory (21) moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Nurrenbern offered **SA 8**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 8

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 3, Section 173.1153, Line 41, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“173.1352. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) “Advanced placement examination”, any examination administered through the College Board's Advanced Placement Program (AP);

(2) “Institution”, any in-state public community college, college, or university that offers postsecondary freshman-level courses;

(3) “International baccalaureate examination”, any examination for assessment purposes administered through the International Baccalaureate Organization at the end of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

2. (1) Each institution shall adopt and implement a policy to grant undergraduate course credit to entering freshman students for each advanced placement examination upon which such student achieves a score of three or higher, **or each international baccalaureate examination for an international baccalaureate diploma programme course upon which such student achieves a score of four or higher**, for any similarly correlated course offered by the institution at the time of such student's acceptance into the institution.

(2) In the policy, the institution shall:

(a) Establish the institution's conditions for granting course credit; and

(b) Identify the specific course credit or other academic requirements of the institution, including the number of semester credit hours or other course credit, that the institution will grant to a student who achieves required scores on advanced placement examinations **or international baccalaureate examinations**.

3. On request of an applicant for admission as an entering freshman, and based on information provided by the applicant, an institution shall determine and notify the applicant regarding:

(1) The amount and type of any course credit that would be granted to the applicant under the policy; and

(2) Any other academic requirement that the applicant would satisfy under the policy.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Nurrenbern moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Moon offered **SA 9**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 9

Amend Senate Substitute for House Bill No. 419, Page 1, Section 41.890, Line 8, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“163.048. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) “Athletics”, any interscholastic athletic games, contests, programs, activities, exhibitions, or other similar competitions organized and provided for students;

(2) “Sex”, the two main categories of male and female into which individuals are divided based on an individual's reproductive biology at birth and the individual's genome.

2. (1) The general assembly hereby finds the following:

(a) A noticeable disparity continues between the athletics participation rates of students who are male and students who are female; and

(b) Courts have recognized that classification by sex is the only feasible classification to promote the governmental interest of providing opportunities for athletics for females.

(2) The general assembly hereby declares that it is the public policy of this state to further the governmental interest of ensuring that sufficient opportunities for athletics remain available for females to remedy past discrimination on the basis of sex.

3. (1) Except as provided under subdivision (2) of this subsection, no private school, public school district, public charter school, or public or private institution of postsecondary education shall allow any student to compete in an athletics competition that is designated for the biological sex opposite to the student's biological sex as correctly stated on the student's official birth certificate as described in subsection 4 of this section or, if the student's official birth certificate is unobtainable, another government record.

(2) A private school, public school, public charter school, or public or private institution of postsecondary education may allow a female student to compete in an athletics competition that is designated for male students if no corresponding athletics competition designated for female students is offered or available.

4. For purposes of this section, a statement of a student's biological sex on the student's official birth certificate or another government record shall be deemed to have correctly stated the student's biological sex only if the statement was:

(1) Entered at or near the time of the student's birth; or

(2) Modified to correct any scrivener's error in the student's biological sex.

5. A private school, public school district, public charter school, or public or private institution of postsecondary education that violates subdivision (1) of subsection 3 of this section shall not receive any state aid under this chapter or chapter 173 or any other revenues from the state.

6. The parent or guardian of any student, or any student who is over eighteen years of age, who is deprived of an athletic opportunity as a result of a violation of this section shall have a cause of action for injunctive or other equitable relief, as well as payment of reasonable attorney's fees, costs, and expenses of the parent, guardian, or student. The relief and remedies set forth shall not be deemed exclusive and shall be in addition to any other relief or remedies permitted by law.

7. The department of elementary and secondary education and the department of higher education and workforce development shall each promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the

implementation and administration of this section. Such rules and regulations shall ensure compliance with state and federal law regarding the confidentiality of student medical information. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2023, shall be invalid and void.

8. [The provisions of this section shall expire on August 28, 2027.]

[9.] If any provision of this section or the application thereof to anyone or to any circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this section and the application of such provisions to others or other circumstances shall not be affected thereby.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Moon moved that the above amendment be adopted.

Senator McCreery raised the point of order that **SA 9** goes beyond the scope of the underlying bill.

The point of order was referred to the President Pro Tem.

At the request of Senator Crawford, **SS** for **HB 419** was withdrawn, rendering **SA 1, SA 2, SA 3, SA 4, SA 5, SA 6, SA 7, SA 8, SA 9**, and the point of order, moot.

At the request of Senator Crawford, **HB 419** was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HCS for **HJR**s **23** and **3**, entitled:

Joint Resolution submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 18(b) of Article VI of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to assessors.

Was taken up by Senator Nicola.

Senator Black assumed the Chair.

Senator Washington offered **SA 1**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend House Committee Substitute for House Joint Resolutions Nos. 23 and 3, Page 1, Section 18(b), Line 7, by inserting after “officer” the following: “**and to comply with all training provisions required by general law**”.

Senator Washington moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Nicola, **HCS** for **HJR**s **23** and **3**, as amended, was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (26)	Burger
Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)
Henderson	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery
Moon	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting
Schroer	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—33		

NAYS—Senators—None

Absent—Senator Brown (16)—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the joint resolution passed.

On motion of Senator Nicola, title to the joint resolution was agreed to.

Senator Nicola moved that the vote by which the joint resolution passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

Senator Henderson assumed the Chair.

At the request of Senator Brown (26), **HB 939** was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HCS for HBs 296 and 438, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 302.177, 302.272, and 302.735, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to school bus endorsements.

Was taken up by Senator Black.

Senator Bean assumed the Chair.

Senator Gregory (21) offered **SA 1**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend House Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 296 and 438, Page 1, In the Title, Line 3, by striking “bus endorsements” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “personnel”; and

Further amend said bill and page, section A, line 3, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“168.133. 1. As used in this section, “screened volunteer” shall mean any person who assists a school by providing uncompensated service and who may periodically be left alone with students. The school district **or charter school** shall ensure that a criminal background check is conducted for all screened volunteers, who shall complete the criminal background check prior to being left alone with a student. [Screened volunteers include, but are not limited to, persons who regularly assist in the office or library, mentor or tutor students, coach or supervise a school-sponsored activity before or after school, or chaperone students on an overnight trip.] Screened volunteers may only access student education records when necessary to assist the district and while supervised by staff members. Volunteers that are not screened shall not be left alone with a student or have access to student records.

2. **(1)** The school district **or charter school** shall ensure that a criminal background check is conducted on any person employed after January 1, 2005, authorized to have contact with pupils and prior to the individual having contact with any pupil. [Such persons include, but are not limited to, administrators, teachers, aides, paraprofessionals, assistants, secretaries, custodians, cooks, screened volunteers, and nurses.]

(2) The school district **or charter school** shall also ensure that a criminal background check is conducted for school bus drivers **and drivers of other vehicles owned by the school district or charter school or operated under contract with a school district or charter school and used for the purpose of transporting school children.** The **school district or charter school** may allow such drivers to operate buses pending the result of the criminal background check. [For bus drivers,] The school district **or charter school** shall be responsible for conducting the criminal background check on drivers employed by the school district **or charter school under section 43.540.**

(3) For drivers employed **or contracted** by a pupil transportation company under contract with the school district **or the charter school**, the criminal background check shall be conducted **by the pupil transportation company** pursuant to section [43.540] **43.539** and conform to the requirements established in the National Child Protection Act of 1993, as amended by the Volunteers for Children Act.

(4) Personnel who have successfully undergone a criminal background check and a check of the family care safety registry as part of the professional license application process under section 168.021 and who have received clearance on the checks within one prior year of employment shall be considered to have completed the background check requirement.

(5) A criminal background check under this section shall include a search of any information publicly available in an electronic format through a public index or single case display.

3. In order to facilitate the criminal history background check, the applicant shall submit a set of fingerprints collected pursuant to standards determined by the Missouri highway patrol. The fingerprints shall be used by the highway patrol to search the criminal history repository and shall be forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for searching the federal criminal history files.

4. The applicant shall pay the fee for the state criminal history record information pursuant to section 43.530 and sections 210.900 to 210.936 and pay the appropriate fee determined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the federal criminal history record when he or she applies for a position authorized to have contact with pupils pursuant to this section. The department shall distribute the fees collected for the state and federal criminal histories to the Missouri highway patrol.

5. The department of elementary and secondary education shall facilitate an annual check of employed persons holding current active certificates under section 168.021 against criminal history records in the central repository under section 43.530, the sexual offender registry under sections 589.400 to 589.426, and child abuse central registry under sections 210.109 to 210.183. The department of elementary and secondary education shall facilitate procedures for school districts to submit personnel information annually for persons employed by the school districts who do not hold a current valid certificate who are required by subsection 1 of this section to undergo a criminal background check, sexual offender registry check, and child abuse central registry check. The Missouri state highway patrol shall provide ongoing electronic updates to criminal history background checks of those persons previously submitted, both

those who have an active certificate and those who do not have an active certificate, by the department of elementary and secondary education. This shall fulfill the annual check against the criminal history records in the central repository under section 43.530.

6. The school district may adopt a policy to provide for reimbursement of expenses incurred by an employee for state and federal criminal history information pursuant to section 43.530.

7. If, as a result of the criminal history background check mandated by this section, it is determined that the holder of a certificate issued pursuant to section 168.021 has pled guilty or nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of a crime or offense listed in section 168.071, or a similar crime or offense committed in another state, the United States, or any other country, regardless of imposition of sentence, such information shall be reported to the department of elementary and secondary education.

8. Any school official making a report to the department of elementary and secondary education in conformity with this section shall not be subject to civil liability for such action.

9. For any teacher who is employed by a school district on a substitute or part-time basis within one year of such teacher's retirement from a Missouri school, the state of Missouri shall not require such teacher to be subject to any additional background checks prior to having contact with pupils. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as prohibiting or otherwise restricting a school district from requiring additional background checks for such teachers employed by the school district.

10. A criminal background check and fingerprint collection conducted under subsections 1 to 3 of this section shall be valid for at least a period of one year and transferrable from one school district to another district. A school district may, in its discretion, conduct a new criminal background check and fingerprint collection under subsections 1 to 3 **of this section** for a newly hired employee at the district's expense. A teacher's change in type of certification shall have no effect on the transferability or validity of such records.

11. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter the standards for suspension, denial, or revocation of a certificate issued pursuant to this chapter.

12. The state board of education may promulgate rules for criminal history background checks made pursuant to this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after January 1, 2005, shall be invalid and void.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Gregory (21) moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Black offered SA 2:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amend House Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 296 and 438, Page 1, In the Title, Line 3, by striking “bus endorsements” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “personnel”; and

Further amend said bill and page, section A line 3, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“168.036. 1. In addition to granting certificates of license to teach in public schools of the state under section 168.021, the state board of education shall grant substitute teacher certificates as provided in this section to any individual seeking to substitute teach in any public school in this state.

2. (1) The state board shall not grant a certificate of license to teach under this section to any individual who has not completed a background check as required under section 168.021.

(2) The state board may refuse to issue or renew, suspend, or revoke any certificate sought or issued under this section in the same manner and for the same reasons as under section 168.071.

3. The state board may grant a certificate under this section to any individual who has completed:

(1) At least thirty-six semester hours at an accredited institution of higher education; or

(2) The twenty-hour online training program required in this section and who possesses a high school diploma or the equivalent thereof.

4. The department of elementary and secondary education shall develop and maintain an online training program for individuals, which shall consist of twenty hours of training related to subjects appropriate for substitute teachers as determined by the department.

5. The state board may grant a certificate under this section to any highly qualified individual with expertise in a technical or business field or with experience in the Armed Forces of the United States who has completed the background check required in this section but does not meet any of the qualifications under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection 3 of this section if the superintendent of the school district in which the individual seeks to substitute teach sponsors such individual and the school board of the school district in which the individual seeks to substitute teach votes to approve such individual to substitute teach.

6. (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions to contrary, beginning on June 30, 2022, and ending on June 30, [2025] **2030**, any person who is retired and currently receiving a retirement allowance under sections 169.010 to 169.141 or sections 169.600 to 169.715, other than for disability, may be employed to substitute teach on a part-time or temporary substitute basis by an employer included in the retirement system without a discontinuance of the person's retirement allowance. Such a person shall not contribute to the retirement system, or to the public school retirement system established by sections 169.010 to 169.141 or to the public education employee retirement system established by sections 169.600 to 169.715, because of earnings during such period of employment.

(2) In addition to the conditions set forth in subdivision 1 of this subsection, any person retired and currently receiving a retirement allowance under sections 169.010 to 169.141, other than for disability, who is employed by a third party or is performing work as an independent contractor may be employed

to substitute teach on a part-time or temporary substitute basis, if such person is performing work for an employer included in the retirement system without a discontinuance of the person's retirement allowance.

(3) If a person is employed pursuant to this subsection on a regular, full-time basis the person shall not be entitled to receive the person's retirement allowance for any month during which the person is so employed. The retirement system may require the employer, the third-party employer, the independent contractor, and the retiree subject to this subsection to provide documentation showing compliance with this subsection. If such documentation is not provided, the retirement system may deem the retiree to have exceeded the limitations provided in this subsection.

7. A certificate granted under this section shall be valid for four years. A certificate granted under this section shall expire at the end of any calendar year in which the individual fails to substitute teach for at least five days or forty hours of in-seat instruction.

8. (1) An individual to whom the state board grants a certificate under this section may be a substitute teacher in a public school in the state if the school district agrees to employ the individual as a substitute teacher and such individual has completed a background check as required in subsection 10 of this section.

(2) No individual to whom the state board grants a certificate under this section and who is under twenty years of age shall be a substitute teacher in grades nine to twelve.

9. Each school district may develop an orientation for individuals to whom the state board grants a certificate under this section for such individuals employed by the school district and may require such individuals to complete such orientation. Such orientation shall contain at least two hours of subjects appropriate for substitute teachers and shall contain instruction on the school district's best practices for classroom management.

10. Beginning January 1, 2023, any substitute teacher may, at the time such substitute teacher submits the fingerprints and information required for the background check required under section 168.021, designate up to five school districts to which such substitute teacher has submitted an application for substitute teaching to receive the results of the substitute teacher's criminal history background check and fingerprint collection. The total amount of any fees for disseminating such results to up to five school districts under this subsection shall not exceed fifty dollars.

11. The state board may exercise the board's authority under chapter 161 to promulgate all necessary rules and regulations necessary for the administration of this section.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Black moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Black, **HCS for HBs 296 and 438**, as amended, was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (26)	Burger
Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)
Henderson	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	Mosley
Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting	Schroer	Trent
Washington	Williams—30					

NAYS—Senators
 McCreery Moon Webber—3

Absent—Senator Brown (16)—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Black, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Black moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

Senator Crawford moved that **HB 419** be called from the Informal Calendar and again taken up for 3rd reading and final passage, which motion prevailed.

HB 419 was again taken up.

Senator Burger assumed the Chair.

Senator Crawford offered **SS No. 2** for **HB 419**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE NO. 2 FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 419

An Act to repeal sections 41.890, 172.280, 172.640, 172.650, 172.651, 172.660, 172.661, 172.680, 172.720, 173.1153, 173.1352, 174.160, 174.231, 191.600, 191.603, 191.605, 191.607, 191.611, 191.614, 191.615, and 620.3250, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twenty new sections relating to education.

Senator Crawford moved that **SS No. 2** for **HB 419** be adopted.

Senator Coleman offered **SA 1**, which was read:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute No. 2 for House Bill No. 419, Page 2, Section 172.345, Line 1, by inserting after “172.345.” the following: “**(1)**”; and

Further amend said bill and section, page 3, line 6, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“(2) The Monday following the Easter holiday each year shall be a public holiday for all employees of the University of Missouri system.”

Senator Coleman moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion failed on a standing division vote.

Senator Crawford moved that **SS No. 2** for **HB 419** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Crawford moved that **SS No. 2** for **HB 419** be read the 3rd time and passed, and was recognized to close.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin referred **SS No. 2** for **HB 419** to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through its Chief Clerk:

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **SS** for **SB 7**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 96.192, 96.196, 167.627, 167.630, 190.053, 190.098, 190.101, 190.109, 190.246, 190.800, 191.227, 191.600, 191.603, 191.605, 191.607, 191.611, 191.614, 191.615, 191.648, 191.1145, 192.769, 195.417, 196.990, 206.110, 208.152, 210.030, 292.606, 301.142, 321.621, 332.081, 332.211, 332.281, 335.081, 338.010, 338.710, 345.050, and 579.060, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof fifty-eight new sections relating to health care, with penalty provisions.

With House Amendment No. 1, House Amendment No. 2, House Amendment No. 3, House Amendment No. 4, House Amendment No. 6, House Amendment No. 7, House Amendment No. 8, House Amendment No. 9, House Amendment No. 10, House Amendment No. 1 to House Amendment No. 11, House Amendment No. 11, as amended, and House Amendment No 13.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 51, Section 321.621, Line 64, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"324.1720. 1. As used in this section, the term "political subdivision" means any county, township, city, incorporated town, or village in this state.

2. The general assembly hereby occupies and preempts the entire field of legislation concerning the practice of licensed professions regulated under chapters 331, 332, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, and 340. A political subdivision is preempted from enacting, maintaining, or enforcing any order, ordinance, rule, regulation, policy, or other similar measure that prohibits, restricts, limits, regulates, controls, directs, or interferes with the practice of such licensed professions.

3. Nothing in this section shall preclude or preempt a political subdivision from exercising its lawful authority to regulate zoning or land use, to enforce a building or fire code regulation, to impose a tax or license fee for the privilege of carrying on a profession described in subsection 2 of this section consistent with the laws regulating such taxes or license fees, or to otherwise regulate for the general health, safety, sanitation, and welfare as long as the order, ordinance, rule, regulation, policy, or other measure does not interfere with, restrict, or limit the ability of a lawfully licensed professional to engage in any act or perform any procedure that falls within the professionally recognized scope of practice of the licensed professional in the practice of a profession described in subsection 2 of this section."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 28, Section 196.990, Line 88, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"197.708. Each hospital shall display in a prominent place within the waiting rooms of the emergency department and the labor and delivery department a printed sign with the following text in all capital letters: "WARNING: ASSAULTING A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL WHO IS ENGAGED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES, INCLUDING STRIKING A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL WITH ANY BODILY FLUID, IS A SERIOUS CRIME AND WILL BE PROSECUTED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THE LAW.""; and

Further amend said bill, Page 88, Section 376.1280, Line 26, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"407.324. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Air ambulance membership agreement", an agreement in exchange for consideration to pay for, indemnify, or provide an amount to a person for the cost of air ambulance services. The term "air ambulance membership agreement" shall not include a health insurance plan or policy regulated under chapter 376;

(2) "Air ambulance membership organization", an individual or entity that provides an air ambulance membership agreement.

2. (1) An air ambulance membership organization shall not knowingly sell, offer for sale, or renew an air ambulance membership agreement to an individual who is enrolled in MO HealthNet.

(2) If an individual who has purchased an air ambulance membership agreement subsequently enrolls in MO HealthNet during the duration of the membership agreement, the enrollee may notify the air ambulance membership organization of such enrollment within thirty days following the effective date of the enrollment. If the enrollee timely notifies the air ambulance membership organization of such enrollment, the enrollee may request, and upon such request the air ambulance membership organization shall provide, either a prorated refund of any consideration paid for the period from the effective date of the MO HealthNet enrollment through the expiration date of the air ambulance membership agreement or a transfer of the membership to another individual in the enrollee's household. If the enrollee does not timely notify the air ambulance membership organization of such enrollment, the enrollee is not entitled to a prorated refund, but the air ambulance membership organization shall still disenroll the enrollee within thirty days of receipt of the notice of the enrollee's enrollment in MO HealthNet unless the enrollee's membership is transferred to another individual in the enrollee's household.

3. All air ambulance membership agreement websites, brochures, and marketing material shall include the following disclosures in a clear and conspicuous place:

(1) The air ambulance membership agreement is a membership plan and is not insurance coverage;

(2) Medicaid enrollees are not eligible to purchase this membership; and

(3) Some state laws prohibit Medicaid beneficiaries from being offered air ambulance memberships or being accepted into air ambulance membership programs.

4. An air ambulance membership agreement application shall include the following disclosures in a clear and conspicuous place:

(1) The air ambulance membership agreement is a membership plan and is not insurance coverage;

(2) Medicaid enrollees are not eligible to purchase this membership; and

(3) Some state laws prohibit Medicaid beneficiaries from being offered air ambulance memberships or being accepted into air ambulance membership programs.

5. If an enrollee believes that an individual or entity has violated the provisions of this section, the enrollee may file a complaint with the office of the state attorney general. The attorney general shall have all powers, rights, and duties regarding violations of this section as are provided in sections 407.010 to 407.145."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 3

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 88, Section 376.1280, Line 26, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"376.2100. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1 of section 376.2108, as used in sections 376.2100 to 376.2108, terms shall have the same meanings as are ascribed to them under section 376.1350.

2. As used in sections 376.2100 to 376.2108, the following terms mean:

(1) "Evaluation period", any consecutive twelve months;

(2) "Value-based care agreement", a contractual agreement between a health care provider, either directly or indirectly through a health care provider group or organization, and a health carrier that:

(a) Incentivizes or rewards providers based on one or more of the following:

a. Quality of care;

b. Safety;

c. Patient outcomes;

d. Efficiency;

e. Cost reduction; or

f. Other factors; and

(b) May, but is not required to, include shared financial risk and rewards based on performance metrics.

376.2102. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, beginning January 1, 2026, a health carrier or utilization review entity shall not require a health care provider to obtain prior authorization for a health care service unless the health carrier or utilization review entity makes a determination that in the most recent evaluation period the health carrier or utilization review entity has approved or would have approved less than ninety percent of the prior authorization requests submitted by that provider for that health care service.

2. Beginning January 1, 2026, a health carrier or utilization review entity shall not require a health care provider to obtain prior authorization for any health care services unless the health carrier or utilization review entity makes a determination that in the most recent evaluation period the health carrier or utilization review entity has approved or would have approved less than ninety percent of all prior authorization requests submitted by that provider for health care services.

3. (1) Beginning January 1, 2026, a health carrier or utilization review entity may elect to have a hospital, as that term is defined in section 197.020, determine which of the following conditions that such hospital will comply with to obtain an exemption from prior authorization requirements under subsections 1 and 2 of this section:

(a) The hospital entering into, either directly or indirectly through a health care provider group or organization a value-based care agreement with the health carrier;

(b) The hospital's score of three or higher on the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services Five-Star Quality Rating System, 42 CFR § 412.190, or its successor rating system; or

(c) At least ninety-one percent of the hospital's prior authorization requests submitted for purposes of eligibility for subsections 1 or 2 of this section were approved or would have been approved by the health carrier or utilization review entity.

(2) Critical access hospitals and hospitals that do not participate in the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services Five-Star Quality Rating System, or its successor rating system, shall be exempt from the provisions of this subsection.

4. The exemption from prior authorization requirements described in subsections 1, 2, and 3 of this section shall not include:

(1) Pharmacy services, not to exceed the amount of one hundred thousand dollars;

(2) Imaging services, not to exceed the amount of one hundred thousand dollars;

(3) Cosmetic procedures that are not medically necessary; or

(4) Investigative or experimental treatments.

5. The amount of the limitations described in subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection 4 of this section shall be increased every year, rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, beginning January 1, 2027, based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the United States (CPI-

U), or its successor index, as such index is defined and officially reported by the United States Department of Labor, or its successor agency.

6. In making a determination under this section, the health carrier or utilization review entity shall not count:

(1) Any prior authorization requests denied by a health carrier or utilization review entity and being appealed by the health care provider; or

(2) Any request made by a health care provider for a service that is not included in the health carrier's benefit plan

but shall count as approved any prior authorization request that was denied by a health carrier or utilization review entity but that was subsequently authorized.

7. In making a determination under this section, the health carrier or utilization review entity shall use either the provider's national provider identifier or a taxpayer identification number. Such designation shall remain unless requested to be changed by the provider.

8. The exemption from prior authorization requirements described in subsections 1, 2, and 3 of this section may be subject to internal auditing of the most recent consecutive six months, up to a maximum of two times per year, by the health carrier or utilization review entity and may be rescinded if:

(1) Such carrier or utilization review entity determines that the carrier or utilization review entity would have approved less than ninety percent of prior authorization requests for a health care service that the provider was exempt from the prior authorization requirement under subsection 1 of this section;

(2) Such carrier or utilization review entity determines that the carrier or utilization review entity would have approved less than ninety percent of all prior authorization requests if the provider was exempt from the prior authorization requirement under subsection 2 of this section; or

(3) There has been an increase in the provision of exempt procedures by a health care provider of more than fifty percent or more than twenty procedures, whichever amount is greater.

9. The exemption described in subsections 1, 2, and 3 of this section shall be null and void upon a determination that the health care provider has been found by a court of law to have civilly or criminally engaged in any fraud or abuse after the exemption is granted by a health carrier or utilization review entity.

10. A health carrier or utilization review entity may require health care providers in the health carrier's or utilization review entity's network to use an online portal to submit requests for prior authorization.

11. No adverse determination shall be finalized under subsections 1, 2, 3, or 8 unless reviewed by a clinical peer.

12. Any patient who has received prior authorization for the coverage of a ninety-day supply of medication whose health coverage plan changes following such authorization shall be permitted a ninety-day grace period from the date of such change in order to determine whether such patient's new plan covers the previously authorized medication or whether prior authorization is required.

376.2104. 1. The health carrier or utilization review entity shall notify the health care provider no later than twenty-five days after any determination made under section 376.2102. The notification shall include the statistics, data, and any supporting documentation for making the determination for the relevant evaluation period.

2. The health carrier or utilization review entity shall establish a process for health care providers to appeal any determinations made under section 376.2102.

3. The health carrier or utilization review entity shall maintain an online portal to allow health care providers to access all prior authorization decisions, including determinations made under section 376.2102. For health care providers subject to prior authorizations, the portal shall include the status of each prior authorization request, all notifications to the health care provider, the dates the health care provider received such notifications, and any other information relevant to the determination.

376.2106. No health carrier or utilization review entity shall deny or reduce payment to a health care provider for a health care service for which the provider has a prior authorization unless the provider:

(1) Knowingly and materially misrepresented the health care service in a request for payment submitted to the health carrier or utilization review entity with the specific intent to deceive and obtain an unlawful payment from the carrier or entity; or

(2) Failed to substantially perform the health care service.

376.2108. 1. The provisions of sections 376.2100 to 376.2108 shall not apply to MO HealthNet, except that a Medicaid managed care organization as defined in section 208.431 shall be considered a health carrier for purposes of sections 376.2100 to 376.2108.

2. The provisions of sections 376.2100 to 376.2108 shall not apply to health care providers who have not participated in a health benefit plan offered by the health carrier for at least one full evaluation period.

3. Nothing in sections 376.2100 to 376.2108 shall be construed to:

(1) Authorize a health care provider to provide a health care service outside the scope of his or her applicable license; or

(2) Require a health carrier or utilization review entity to pay for a health care service described in subdivision (1) of this subsection."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 4

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 87, Section 345.050, Line 20, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"376.417. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "340B drug", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.414;

(2) "Covered entity", any entity described in subparagraphs (A) to (K) of subsection (a)(4) of Section 340B of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 256b, including any pharmacy with which such entity has contracted to dispense 340B drugs on behalf of the entity;

(3) "Health carrier", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.1350;

(4) "Pharmacy", an entity licensed under chapter 338;

(5) "Pharmacy benefits manager", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.388.

2. A health carrier, a pharmacy benefits manager, or an agent or affiliate of such health carrier or pharmacy benefits manager shall not discriminate against a covered entity including, but not limited to, by doing any of the following:

(1) Reimbursing a covered entity for a quantity of a 340B drug in an amount less than it would pay any other similarly situated pharmacy or entity that is not a covered entity for such quantity of such drug on the basis that the covered entity is a covered entity or that the covered entity dispenses 340B drugs. The director of the department of commerce and insurance shall specify by rule the circumstances under which a pharmacy or entity shall be deemed a "similarly situated pharmacy or entity" for purposes of this subdivision;

(2) Imposing any terms or conditions on covered entities that differ from such terms or conditions applied to other similarly situated entities or pharmacies that are not covered entities on the basis that the covered entity is a covered entity or that the covered entity dispenses 340B drugs including, but not limited to, terms or conditions with respect to any of the following:

(a) Fees, chargebacks, clawbacks, adjustments, or other assessments;

(b) Professional dispensing fees;

(c) Restrictions or requirements regarding participation in standard or preferred pharmacy networks;

(d) Requirements relating to the frequency or scope of audits or to inventory management systems using generally accepted accounting principles; and

(e) Any other restrictions, conditions, practices, or policies that, as specified by the director of the department of commerce and insurance, interfere with the ability of a covered entity to maximize the value of discounts provided under 42 U.S.C. Section 256b;

(3) Discriminating in reimbursement to a covered entity based on the determination or indication a drug is a 340B drug;

- (4) Requiring a covered entity to identify, either directly or through a third party, a 340B drug;**
- (5) Refusing to cover drugs purchased under the 340B drug-pricing program; or**
- (6) Requiring a covered entity to reverse, resubmit, or clarify a 340B drug-pricing claim after the initial adjudication unless these actions are:**
 - (a) In the normal course of pharmacy business and not related to 340B drug pricing; or**
 - (b) Required by federal law.**

3. The director of the department of commerce and insurance shall impose a civil penalty on any health carrier, pharmacy benefits manager, or agent or affiliate of such health carrier or pharmacy benefits manager that violates the requirements of this section. Such penalty shall not exceed five thousand dollars per violation per day.

4. The director of the department of commerce and insurance shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2025, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 6

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 28, Section 196.990, Line 88, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"205.170. 1. The county commission shall appoint five trustees chosen from the citizens at large with reference to their fitness for such office, all residents of the county, not more than three of such trustees to be residents of the city, town or village in which the hospital is to be located, who shall constitute a board of trustees for such public hospital.

2. The trustees appointed pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall hold their offices until the next following municipal election, when five hospital trustees shall be elected and hold their offices for the following terms, with each of the trustees' respective terms determined by lot:

- (1) One trustee for a one-year term;
- (2) One trustee for a two-year term;
- (3) One trustee for a three-year term;
- (4) One trustee for a four-year term; and
- (5) One trustee for a five-year term.

3. For trustees elected prior to January 1, 1995:

(1) If the terms of two trustees expire at the time of the next election of trustees occurring after January 1, 1995, then:

(a) One trustee shall be elected for a four-year term; and

(b) One trustee shall be elected for a three-year term; and

(2) At the next following municipal election in which the terms of three trustees expire:

(a) One trustee shall be elected for a five-year term;

(b) One trustee shall be elected for a four-year term;

(c) One trustee shall be elected for a three-year term; or

(3) If the terms of three trustees expire at the time of the next election of trustees occurring after January 1, 1995, then:

(a) One trustee shall be elected for a five-year term;

(b) One trustee shall be elected for a four-year term;

(c) One trustee shall be elected for a three-year term; and

(4) At the next following municipal election in which the terms of two trustees expire:

(a) One trustee shall be elected for a five-year term; and

(b) One trustee shall be elected for a four-year term.

4. The terms of the trustees elected pursuant to subsection 3 of this section shall be determined by lot.

5. The office of a trustee elected pursuant to subsection 3 of this section whose term of office is about to expire shall be filled by the election of a hospital trustee who shall serve for a term of five years. Each trustee subsequently elected shall serve a term of five years.

6. No person elected or appointed to the office of trustee under subsections 1 to 5 of this section shall have either of the following conflicts of interest:

(1) Be a current employee of the hospital or any of its controlled affiliates; or

(2) Be a former employee of the hospital, or any of its controlled affiliates, within the past three years.

7. Members of the board of trustees are subject to removal from office in the manner and for the causes prescribed by law in accordance with the provisions of section 106.220.

8. Any vacancy in the board of trustees occasioned by removal, resignation or otherwise shall be reported to the county commission and be filled in like manner as original appointments, the appointee to hold office until the next following municipal election, when such vacancy shall be filled by election of a trustee to serve during the remainder of the term of his **or her** predecessor.

[7.] 9. No trustee shall have a personal pecuniary interest, either directly or indirectly, in the purchase of any supplies for such hospital, unless the same are purchased by competitive bidding.

205.190. 1. The trustees shall, within ten days after their appointment or election, qualify by taking the oath of civil officers and organize as a board of hospital trustees by the election of one of their number as chairman, one as secretary, one as treasurer, and by the election of such other officers as they may deem necessary.

2. No trustee shall receive any compensation for his or her services performed, but a trustee may receive reimbursement for any cash expenditures actually made for personal expenses incurred as such trustee, and an itemized statement of all such expenses and money paid out shall be made under oath by each of such trustees and filed with the secretary and allowed only by the affirmative vote of all of the trustees present at a meeting of the board.

3. The board of hospital trustees shall make and adopt such bylaws, rules and regulations for its own guidance and for the government of the hospital as may be deemed expedient for the economic and equitable conduct thereof, not inconsistent with sections 205.160 to 205.340 and the ordinances of the city or town wherein such public hospital is located. The board shall provide by regulation for the bonding of the chief executive officer and may require a bond of the treasurer of the board and of any employee of the hospital as it deems necessary. The costs of all bonds required shall be paid out of the hospital fund. Except as provided in subsection 4 of this section, it shall have the exclusive control of the deposit, investment, and expenditure of all moneys collected to the credit of the hospital fund, and of the purchase of site or sites, the purchase or construction of any hospital buildings, and of the supervision, care and custody of the grounds, rooms or buildings purchased, constructed, leased or set apart for that purpose; provided, that all moneys received for such hospital shall be credited to the hospital and deposited into the depository thereof for the sole use of such hospital in accordance with the provisions of sections 205.160 to 205.340. All funds received by each such hospital shall be paid out only upon warrants ordered drawn by the treasurer of the board of trustees of said county upon the properly authenticated vouchers of the hospital board.

4. The trustees shall have authority, both within and outside the county, except in counties of the third or fourth classification (other than the county in which the hospital is located) where there already exists a hospital organized pursuant to this chapter; provided that this exception shall not prohibit the continuation of existing activities otherwise allowed by law to operate, maintain and manage a hospital and hospital facilities, and to make and enter into contracts, for the use, operation or management of a hospital or hospital facilities; to engage in health care activities; to make and enter into leases of equipment and real property, a hospital or hospital facilities, as lessor or lessee, regardless of the duration of such lease; provided that any lease of substantially all of the hospital, as the term "hospital" is defined in section 197.020, wherein the board of trustees is lessor shall be entered into only with the approval of the county commission wherein such hospital is located and provided that in a county of the second, third or fourth classification, the income to such county from such lease of substantially all of the hospital shall be appropriated to provide health care services in the county; and further to provide rules and regulations for the operation, management or use of a hospital or hospital facilities. Any agreement entered into pursuant to this subsection pertaining to the lease of the hospital, as herein defined, shall have a definite termination date as negotiated by the parties, but this shall not preclude the trustees from entering into a renewal of the agreement with the same or other parties pertaining to the same or other subjects upon such terms and

conditions as the parties may agree. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the county commission in any noncharter county of the first classification wherein such hospital is located may separately negotiate and enter into contractual agreements with the lessee as a condition of approval of any lease authorized pursuant to this subsection.

5. The board of hospital trustees shall have power to appoint a suitable chief executive officer and necessary assistants and fix their compensation, and shall also have power to remove such appointees; and shall in general carry out the spirit and intent of sections 205.160 to 205.340 in establishing and maintaining a county public hospital.

6. The board of hospital trustees may establish and operate a day care center to provide care exclusively for the children of the hospital's employees. A day care center established by the board shall be licensed pursuant to the provisions of sections 210.201 to 210.245. The operation of a day care center shall be paid for by fees or charges, established by the board, and collected from the hospital employees who use its services. The board, however, is authorized to receive any private donations or grants from agencies of the federal government intended for the support of the day care center.

7. The board of hospital trustees shall hold meetings at least [once each month] **quarterly**, shall keep a complete record of all its proceedings; and three members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

8. [One of the trustees shall visit and examine the hospital at least twice each month and The board shall, during the first week in January of each year, file with the county commission of the county a report of its proceedings with reference to such hospital and a statement of all receipts and expenditures during the year; and shall at such time certify the amount necessary to maintain and improve the hospital for the ensuing year.] **The board shall submit to the county commission an annual financial report in a manner that is consistent with the submission of such other financial reports that may be required by the state auditor relating to political subdivisions.**

205.191. 1. Except as otherwise provided in sections 205.160 to 205.340, every hospital established under sections 205.160 to 205.340 shall be subject to the requirements applicable to public bodies and records contained in sections 610.010 to 610.225.

2. In addition to the exceptions available under sections 610.010 to 610.225, the records of the hospital and its controlled subsidiaries shall not be subject to the provisions of sections 610.010 to 610.225 if, upon determination by the board, the disclosure of the information in the records would be harmful to the fiscal position of the hospital, or confer any other health care providers an unequal advantage over the hospital, and such records contain:

(1) Proprietary information gathered by, or in the possession of, the hospital from third parties under a promise of confidentiality;

(2) Contract cost estimates prepared for confidential use in awarding contracts for research, development, construction, renovation, commercialization, or the purchase of goods or services;

(3) Data, records, or information of a proprietary nature produced or collected by, or for, the hospital, its employees, its officers, or members of its board of trustees;

(4) Third-party financial statements, records, and related data not publicly available that may be shared with the hospital;

(5) Consulting or other reports paid for by the hospital to assist the hospital in connection with its strategic planning and goals;

(6) The determination of marketing and operational strategies where disclosure of such strategies would be harmful to the fiscal position of the hospital or confer any other health care providers an unequal advantage over the hospital; or

(7) Financial information gathered by, or in the possession of, the hospital where disclosure of such information would be harmful to the fiscal position of the hospital or confer any other health care providers an unequal advantage over the hospital.

3. In addition to the exceptions available under sections 610.010 to 610.225, the hospital, including the board of trustees, executive committee, audit committee, or other such committees that the board may authorize from time to time, may discuss, consider, and take action on any of the following in closed session if, upon determination by the board, including as appropriate the executive committee, audit committee, or other such committees that the board may authorize from time to time, disclosure of such items would be harmful to the fiscal position of the hospital or confer any other health care providers an unequal advantage over the hospital:

(1) Plans that could affect the value of property, real or personal, owned or desirable for ownership by the hospital;

(2) The condition, acquisition, use, or disposition of real or personal property; or

(3) Marketing or operational strategies.

206.090. 1. After the hospital district has been declared organized, the declaring county commission shall divide the district into six election districts as equal in population as possible, and shall by lot number the districts from one to six inclusive. The county commission shall cause an election to be held in the hospital district within ninety days after the order establishing the hospital district to elect hospital district directors. Each voter shall vote for six directors, one from each district, except in any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than ten thousand six hundred but fewer than ten thousand seven hundred inhabitants, each voter shall vote for one director from the hospital election district in which the voter resides. Directors shall serve a term of six years or a lesser term of years as may be established by the county commission. If directors are to serve a term of six years, the initial term of the director elected from district number one shall serve a term of one year, the director elected from district number two shall serve a term of two years, the director elected from district number three shall serve a term of three years, the director elected from district number four shall serve a term of four years, the director elected from district number five shall serve a term of five years, and the director elected from district number six shall serve a term of six years; thereafter, the terms of all directors shall be six years. If the county commission chooses to establish a term of office of less than six years, the initial election of directors shall be done in a manner established by the county commission. All directors shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. Any vacancy shall be filled by the remaining members of the board of directors who shall appoint a person to serve as director until the next municipal election.

2. Candidates for director of the hospital district shall be citizens of the United States, voters of the hospital district who have resided within the state for one year next preceding the election and who are at least thirty years of age. All candidates shall file their declaration of candidacy with the county commission calling the election for the organizational election, and for subsequent elections, with the secretary of the board of directors of the district.

3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, if the number of candidates for office of director is no greater than the number of directors to be elected, no election shall be held, and the candidates shall assume the responsibilities of their offices at the same time and in the same manner as if they had been elected.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 1 to 3 of this section, after the formation of the hospital district, the hospital board of directors, by a majority vote of the directors with the consent of a majority of the county commission on an order of record, may abolish the six hospital districts' election districts and cause the hospital district directors to be elected from the hospital district at large. Upon opting to elect the hospital district directors at large, the then-serving hospital district directors shall continue to serve the remainder of their terms and any vacancies on the board, after the date of such option, shall be filled by an election conducted at large in the district.

5. No person elected or appointed to the office of director under this section shall have either of the following conflicts of interest:

(1) Be a current employee of the hospital or any of its controlled affiliates; or

(2) Be a former employee of the hospital, or any of its controlled affiliates, within the past three years.

6. Members of the hospital board of directors are subject to removal from office in the manner and for the causes prescribed by law in accordance with the provisions of section 106.220."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 7

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 83, Section 335.081, Line 48, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"337.600. As used in sections 337.600 to 337.689, the following terms mean:

(1) "Advanced macro social worker", the applications of social work theory, knowledge, methods, principles, values, and ethics; and the professional use of self to community and organizational systems, systemic and macrocosm issues, and other indirect nonclinical services; specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in case management, information and referral, nonclinical assessments, counseling, outcome evaluation, mediation, nonclinical supervision, nonclinical consultation, expert testimony, education, outcome evaluation, research, advocacy, social planning and policy development, community organization, and the development, implementation and administration of policies, programs, and activities. A licensed advanced macro social worker may not treat mental or emotional disorders or provide psychotherapy without the direct supervision of a licensed clinical social worker, or diagnose a mental disorder;

(2) "Clinical social work", the application of social work theory, knowledge, values, methods, principles, and techniques of case work, group work, client-centered advocacy, community organization, administration, planning, evaluation, consultation, research, psychotherapy and counseling methods and techniques to persons, families and groups in assessment, diagnosis, treatment, prevention and amelioration of mental and emotional conditions;

(3) "Committee", the state committee for social workers established in section 337.622;

(4) "Department", the Missouri department of commerce and insurance;

(5) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration;

(6) "Division", the division of professional registration;

(7) "Independent practice", any practice of social workers outside of an organized setting such as a social, medical, or governmental agency in which a social worker assumes responsibility and accountability for services required;

(8) "Licensed advanced macro social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, families, couples, organizations, institutions, communities, government agencies, corporations, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as an advanced macro social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as an advanced macro social worker;

(9) "Licensed baccalaureate social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a baccalaureate social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a baccalaureate social worker;

(10) "Licensed clinical social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a clinical social worker, and who holds a current, valid license to practice as a clinical social worker;

(11) "Licensed master social worker", any person who offers to render services to individuals, groups, families, couples, organizations, institutions, communities, government agencies, corporations, or the general public for a fee, monetary or otherwise, implying that the person is trained, experienced, and licensed as a master social worker, and who holds a current valid license to practice as a master social worker. A licensed master social worker may not treat mental or emotional disorders, provide psychotherapy without the direct supervision of a licensed clinical social worker, or diagnose a mental disorder;

(12) "Master social work", the application of social work theory, knowledge, methods, and ethics and the professional use of self to restore or enhance social, psychosocial, or biopsychosocial functioning of individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, communities, institutions, government agencies, or corporations. The practice includes the applications of specialized knowledge and advanced practice skills in the areas of assessment, treatment planning, implementation and evaluation, case management, mediation, information and referral, counseling, client education, supervision, consultation, education, research, advocacy, community organization and development, planning, evaluation, implementation and

administration of policies, programs, and activities. Under supervision as provided in this section, the practice of master social work may include the practices reserved to clinical social workers or advanced macro social workers for no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months for the purpose of obtaining licensure under section 337.615 or 337.645;

(13) "Practice of advanced macro social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, communities, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of advanced practice macro social work;

(14) "Practice of baccalaureate social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of baccalaureate social work;

(15) "Practice of clinical social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of clinical social work;

(16) "Practice of master social work", rendering, offering to render, or supervising those who render to individuals, couples, families, groups, organizations, institutions, corporations, government agencies, communities, or the general public any service involving the application of methods, principles, and techniques of master social work;

(17) "Qualified advanced macro supervisor", any licensed social worker who meets the qualifications of a qualified clinical supervisor or a licensed advanced macro social worker who has:

(a) Practiced in the field of social work as a licensed social worker for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum of five years;

(b) Successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work Boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social work; and

(c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;

(18) "Qualified baccalaureate supervisor", any licensed social worker who meets the qualifications of a qualified clinical supervisor, qualified master supervisor, qualified advanced macro supervisor, or a licensed baccalaureate social worker who has:

(a) Practiced in the field of social work as a licensed social worker for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum of five years;

(b) Successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work Boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social workers; and

(c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;

(19) "Qualified clinical supervisor", any licensed clinical social worker who has:

(a) Practiced in the field of social work as a licensed social worker for which he or she is supervising the applicant for a minimum of five years;

(b) Successfully completed a minimum of sixteen hours of supervisory training from the Association of Social Work Boards, the National Association of Social Workers, an accredited university, or a program approved by the state committee for social workers. All organizations providing the supervisory training shall adhere to the basic content and quality standards outlined by the state committee on social work; and

(c) Met all the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689, and as defined by rule by the state committee for social workers;

(20) "Social worker", any individual that has:

(a) Received a baccalaureate [or master's] degree in social work from an accredited social work program approved by the [council on social work education] **Council on Social Work Education;**

(b) **Received a master's degree in social work from a social work program:**

a. Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or

b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;

(c) Received a doctorate or Ph.D. in social work; or

[(c)] (d) A current social worker license as set forth in sections 337.600 to 337.689.

337.604. 1. No person shall hold himself or herself out to be a social worker unless such person has:

(1) Received a baccalaureate [or master's] degree in social work from an accredited social work program approved by the [council on social work education] **Council on Social Work Education;**

(2) **Received a master's degree in social work from a social work program:**

(a) Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or

(b) Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;

(3) Received a doctorate or Ph.D. in social work; or

[(3)] (4) A current social worker license as set forth in sections 337.600 to 337.689.

2. No government entities, public or private agencies or organizations in the state shall use the title "social worker" or any form of the title, including but not limited to the abbreviations "SW", "BSW", "MSW", "DSW", "LBSW", "LBSW-IP", "LMSW", "PLCSW", "LCSW", "CSW", "LAMSW", and "AMSW", for volunteer or employment positions or within contracts for services, documents, manuals,

or reference material effective January 1, 2004, unless the volunteers or employees in those positions meet the criteria set forth in this chapter.

337.615. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "License", a license, certificate, registration, permit, accreditation, or military occupational specialty that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or profession in a particular jurisdiction;
- (2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other military branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States, and all reserve components and auxiliaries. The term "military" also includes the military reserves and militia of any United States territory or state;
- (3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri, or who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled in the state of Missouri, or has moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-station basis;
- (4) "Oversight body", any board, department, agency, or office of a jurisdiction that issues licenses;
- (5) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident of the state of Missouri, who is domiciled in the state of Missouri, or who has Missouri as his or her home of record.

2. Each applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:

(1) The applicant has:

(a) A master's degree from a college or university program of social work:

a. Accredited by the [council of social work education] **Council on Social Work Education; or**

b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;
or

(b) A doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;

(2) The applicant has completed at least three thousand hours of supervised clinical experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months. For any applicant who has successfully completed at least four thousand hours of supervised clinical experience with a qualified clinical supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, within the same time frame prescribed in this subsection, the applicant shall be eligible for application of licensure at three thousand hours and shall be furnished a certificate by the state committee for social workers acknowledging the completion of said additional hours;

(3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee; and

(4) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not sentence has been imposed.

3. (1) Any person who holds a valid current clinical social work license issued by another state, a branch or unit of the military, a territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year in such other jurisdiction, may submit to the committee an application for a clinical social work license in Missouri along with proof of current licensure and proof of licensure for at least one year in the other jurisdiction.

(2) The committee shall:

(a) Within six months of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant if it determines that there were minimum education requirements and, if applicable, work experience and clinical supervision requirements in effect and the other jurisdiction verifies that the person met those requirements in order to be licensed or certified in that jurisdiction. The committee may require an applicant to take and pass an examination specific to the laws of this state; or

(b) Within thirty days of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection from a nonresident military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant and issue such applicant a license under this subsection if such applicant otherwise meets the requirements of this subsection.

(3) (a) The committee shall not waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for any applicant who has had his or her license revoked by an oversight body outside the state; who is currently under investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who is currently under disciplinary action, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, with an oversight body outside the state; who does not hold a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state; who has a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri; or who does not hold a valid current license in the other jurisdiction on the date the committee receives his or her application under this subsection [and section].

(b) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action against an applicant, the committee shall determine if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter resolved. If the matter has not been resolved by that jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license until the matter is resolved.

(4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the committee from denying a license to an applicant under this subsection for any reason described in section 337.630.

(5) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the committee's jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to the practice as a licensed clinical social worker in this state.

(6) This subsection shall not be construed to waive any requirement for an applicant to pay any fees.

4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 2 of this section.

337.627. 1. The committee shall promulgate rules and regulations pertaining to:

(1) The form and content of license applications required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and section 324.009 and the procedures for filing an application for an initial or renewal license in this state;

(2) Fees required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and section 324.009;

(3) The characteristics of supervised clinical experience, supervised master experience, supervised advanced macro experience, and supervised baccalaureate experience;

(4) The standards and methods to be used in assessing competency as a licensed clinical social worker, licensed master social worker, licensed advanced macro social worker, and licensed baccalaureate social worker, including the requirement for continuing education hours;

(5) Establishment and promulgation of procedures for investigating, hearing and determining grievances and violations occurring pursuant to the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689;

(6) Development of an appeal procedure for the review of decisions and rules of administrative agencies existing pursuant to the constitution or laws of this state;

(7) Establishment of a policy and procedure for reciprocity with states which do not have clinical, master, advanced macro, or baccalaureate social worker licensing laws and states whose licensing laws are not substantially similar to those of this state; [and]

(8) Establishment of a policy and procedure for reviewing social work degree programs offering a master's degree in social work that have achieved candidacy or precandidacy status in the accreditation process established by the Council on Social Work Education to determine whether to recognize and approve such programs for licensure purposes; and

(9) Any other policies or procedures necessary to the fulfillment of the requirements of sections 337.600 to 337.689.

2. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.

337.628. A social work degree program offering a master's degree in social work that has achieved candidacy or precandidacy status in the accreditation process established by the Council on Social Work Education shall not receive automatic recognition and approval by the committee due to that status under the rules adopted under section 337.627. Only such programs may apply to the committee for recognition and approval, and the committee shall review each application on an individualized basis to determine whether the program qualifies for recognition and approval.

337.644. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "License", a license, certificate, registration, permit, accreditation, or military occupational specialty that enables a person to legally practice an occupation or profession in a particular jurisdiction;
- (2) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other military branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the United States, and all reserve components and auxiliaries. The term "military" also includes the military reserves and militia of any United States territory or state;
- (3) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri, or who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled in the state of Missouri, or has moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-station basis;
- (4) "Oversight body", any board, department, agency, or office of a jurisdiction that issues licenses;
- (5) "Resident military spouse", a spouse of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred or is scheduled to be transferred to the state of Missouri or an adjacent state and who is a permanent resident of the state of Missouri, who is domiciled in the state of Missouri, or who has Missouri as his or her home of record.

2. Each applicant for licensure as a master social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:

(1) The applicant has:

(a) A master's degree in social work from a social work degree program:

a. Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or

b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;

or

(b) A doctorate degree in social work from an accredited social work degree program approved by the [council of social work education] Council on Social Work Education;

(2) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be determined by the state committee for social workers;

(3) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not sentence is imposed;

(4) The applicant has submitted a written application on forms prescribed by the state board; and

(5) The applicant has submitted the required licensing fee, as determined by the committee.

3. Any applicant who answers in the affirmative to any question on the application that relates to possible grounds for denial of licensure under section 337.630 shall submit a sworn affidavit setting forth in detail the facts which explain such answer and copies of appropriate documents related to such answer.

4. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. The license shall refer to the individual as a licensed master social worker and shall recognize that individual's right to practice licensed master social work as defined in section 337.600.

5. (1) Any person who holds a valid current master social work license issued by another state, a branch or unit of the military, a territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia, and who has been licensed for at least one year in such other jurisdiction, may submit to the committee an application for a master social work license in Missouri along with proof of current licensure and proof of licensure for at least one year in the other jurisdiction.

(2) The committee shall:

(a) Within six months of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant if it determines that there were minimum education requirements and, if applicable, work experience and clinical supervision requirements in effect and the other jurisdiction verifies that the person met those requirements in order to be licensed or certified in that jurisdiction. The committee may require an applicant to take and pass an examination specific to the laws of this state; or

(b) Within thirty days of receiving an application described in subdivision (1) of this subsection from a nonresident military spouse or a resident military spouse, waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for licensure in this state for the applicant and issue such applicant a license under this subsection if such applicant otherwise meets the requirements of this subsection.

(3) (a) The committee shall not waive any examination, educational, or experience requirements for any applicant who has had his or her license revoked by an oversight body outside the state; who is currently under investigation, who has a complaint pending, or who is currently under disciplinary action, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, with an oversight body outside the state; who does not hold a license in good standing with an oversight body outside the state; who has a criminal record that would disqualify him or her for licensure in Missouri; or who does not hold a valid current license in the other jurisdiction on the date the committee receives his or her application under this [section] **subsection.**

(b) If another jurisdiction has taken disciplinary action against an applicant, the committee shall determine if the cause for the action was corrected and the matter resolved. If the matter has not been resolved by that jurisdiction, the committee may deny a license until the matter is resolved.

(4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the committee from denying a license to an applicant under this subsection for any reason described in section 337.630.

(5) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the committee's jurisdiction and all rules and regulations pertaining to the practice as a licensed master social worker in this state.

(6) This subsection shall not be construed to waive any requirement for an applicant to pay any fees.

337.645. 1. Each applicant for licensure as an advanced macro social worker shall furnish evidence to the committee that:

(1) The applicant has:

(a) A master's degree from a college or university program of social work:

a. Accredited by the [council of social work education] **Council on Social Work Education; or**

b. Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;
or

(b) A doctorate degree from a school of social work acceptable to the committee;

(2) The applicant has completed at least three thousand hours of supervised advanced macro experience with a qualified advanced macro supervisor as defined in section 337.600 in no less than twenty-four months and no more than forty-eight consecutive calendar months. For any applicant who has successfully completed at least four thousand hours of supervised advanced macro experience with a qualified advanced macro supervisor, as defined in section 337.600, within the same time frame prescribed in this subsection, the applicant shall be eligible for application of licensure at three thousand hours and shall be furnished a certificate by the state committee for social workers acknowledging the completion of said additional hours;

(3) The applicant has achieved a passing score, as defined by the committee, on an examination approved by the committee. The eligibility requirements for such examination shall be promulgated by rule of the committee;

(4) The applicant is at least eighteen years of age, is a United States citizen or has status as a legal resident alien, and has not been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state, of the United States, or of any country, for any offense directly related to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation, as set forth in section 324.012, regardless of whether or not sentence is imposed.

2. Any person holding a current license, certificate of registration, or permit from another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to practice advanced macro social work who has had no disciplinary action taken against the license, certificate of registration, or permit for the preceding

five years may be granted a license to practice advanced macro social work in this state if the person meets one of the following criteria:

(1) Has:

(a) Received:

a. A master's **degree in social work from a social work program:**

(i) **Accredited by the Council on Social Work Education; or**

(ii) **Recognized and approved by the committee in accordance with rules adopted by the committee under section 337.627 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in section 337.628;**
or

b. A doctoral degree from a college or university program of social work accredited by the [council of social work education] **Council on Social Work Education;** and [has]

(b) Been licensed to practice advanced macro social work for the preceding five years; or

(2) Is currently licensed or certified as an advanced macro social worker in another state, territory of the United States, or the District of Columbia having substantially the same requirements as this state for advanced macro social workers.

3. The committee shall issue a license to each person who files an application and fee as required by the provisions of sections 337.600 to 337.689 and who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the committee that the applicant has complied with the provisions of subdivisions (1) to (4) of subsection 1 of this section or with the provisions of subsection 2 of this section."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 8

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 83, Section 335.081, Line 48, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"336.010. 1. The "practice of optometry" is the examination, diagnosis, [treatment, and preventative care] **prevention, and treatment, surgical or nonsurgical**, of the eye, adnexa, and vision. The practice includes, but is not limited to:

(1) The examination of the eye, adnexa, and vision to determine the accommodative and refractive states, visual perception, conditions, and diseases;

(2) The diagnosis and treatment of conditions or diseases of the eye, adnexa, and vision;

(3) The performance of diagnostic procedures and ordering of laboratory and imaging tests for the diagnosis of vision and conditions and diseases of the eye and adnexa;

(4) The prescription and administration of pharmaceutical agents[, excluding injectable agents,] for the purpose of examination, diagnosis, and treatment of vision and conditions or diseases of the eye and adnexa;

(5) The removal of superficial foreign bodies from the eye or adnexa;

(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, including section 334.010, the correction and relief of ocular abnormalities by surgical procedures not excluded under subsection 2 of this section;

(7) The employment of objective or subjective mechanical means to determine the accommodative or refractive states of the human eye;

[(7)] **(8)** The prescription or adaptation of lenses, prisms, devices, or ocular exercises to correct defects or abnormal conditions of the human eye or vision or to adjust the human eye to special conditions;

[(8)] **(9)** The prescription and fitting of ophthalmic or contact lenses and devices;

[(9)] **(10)** The prescription and administration of vision therapy; and

[(10)] **(11)** The prescription and administration of low vision care.

2. The board shall continue to review surgical procedures not listed in this subsection but which shall be excluded from the scope of the practice of optometry. The following procedures are not within the scope of optometry and an optometrist [may] shall not perform [surgery, including the use of lasers for treatment of any disease or condition or for the correction of refractive error] such procedures, except for the preoperative and postoperative care of these procedures:

(1) Retina laser procedures, laser-assisted in situ keratomileusis (LASIK), and photorefractive keratectomy (PRK);

(2) Nonlaser surgery related to removal of the eye from a living human being;

(3) Nonlaser surgery requiring full thickness incision or excision of the cornea or sclera other than paracentesis in an emergency situation requiring immediate reduction of the pressure inside the eye;

(4) Penetrating keratoplasty (corneal transplant) or lamellar keratoplasty;

(5) Nonlaser surgery requiring incision of the iris and ciliary body, including iris diathermy or cryotherapy;

(6) Nonlaser surgery requiring incision of the vitreous;

(7) Nonlaser surgery requiring incision of the retina;

(8) Nonlaser surgical extraction of the crystalline lens;

(9) Nonlaser surgical intraocular implants;

(10) Incisional or excisional nonlaser surgery of the extraocular muscles;

(11) Nonlaser surgery of the eyelid for eyelid malignancies or for incisional cosmetic or mechanical repair of blepharochalasis, ptosis, and tarsorrhaphy;

(12) Nonlaser surgery of the bony orbit, including orbital implants;

(13) Incisional or excisional nonlaser surgery of the lacrimal system other than lacrimal probing or related procedures;

(14) Nonlaser surgery requiring full thickness conjunctivoplasty with graft or flap;

(15) Any nonlaser surgical procedure that does not provide for the correction and relief of ocular abnormalities;

(16) Laser or nonlaser injection into the posterior chamber of the eye to treat any macular or retinal disease; and

(17) The administration of general anesthesia.

3. As used in this chapter, except as the context may otherwise require, the following terms mean:

(1) "Eye", the human eye;

(2) "Adnexa", all structures adjacent to the eye and the conjunctiva, lids, lashes, and lacrimal system;

(3) "Board", the Missouri state board of optometry;

(4) "Diagnostic pharmaceutical agents", topically applied pharmaceuticals used for the purpose of conducting an examination of the eye, adnexa, and vision;

(5) "Low vision care", the examination, treatment, and management of patients with visual impairments not treatable by conventional eyewear or contact lenses and may include a vision rehabilitation program to enhance remaining vision skills;

(6) "Pharmaceutical agents", any diagnostic and therapeutic drug or combination of drugs that assist the diagnosis, prevention, treatment, or mitigation of abnormal conditions or symptoms of the human eye, adnexa, and vision;

(7) "Therapeutic pharmaceutical agents", those pharmaceuticals[, excluding injectable agents,] used for the treatment of conditions or diseases of the eye, adnexa, and vision;

(8) "Vision therapy", a treatment regiment to improve a patient's diagnosed visual dysfunctions, prevent the development of visual problems, or enhance visual performance to meet the defined needs of the patient."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 9

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 51, Section 321.621, Line 64, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"324.263. 1. The board may apply to the administrative hearing commission for an emergency suspension or restriction of a license issued under sections 324.240 to 324.275 if:

(1) The holder of the license is the subject of a pending criminal indictment, criminal information, or other criminal charge related to the duties and responsibilities of the licensed occupation; and

(2) There is reasonable cause for the board to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare is at imminent risk of harm from the holder of the license.

2. The board shall submit to the administrative hearing commission supporting affidavits and certified court records, together with a complaint alleging the facts in support of the board's request for an emergency suspension or restriction of a license, and shall supply the administrative hearing commission with the last home or business addresses on file with the board for the licensee. Within one business day of the filing of the complaint, the administrative hearing commission shall return a service packet to the board. The service packet shall include the board's complaint and any affidavits or records the board intends to rely on that have been filed with the administrative hearing commission. The service packet may contain other information in the discretion of the administrative hearing commission. Within twenty-four hours of receiving the packet, the board shall either personally serve the licensee the service packet or leave a copy of the service packet at all of the licensee's current addresses on file with the board.

3. Within five days of the board's filing of the complaint, the administrative hearing commission shall review the information submitted by the board and shall issue its findings of fact and conclusions of law. If the administrative hearing commission finds that there is reasonable cause for the board to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare is at imminent risk of harm from the holder of the license, the administrative hearing commission shall enter the order requested by the board. The order shall be effective upon personal service or by leaving a copy at all of the licensee's current addresses on file with the board.

4. (1) The administrative hearing commission shall hold an evidentiary hearing on the record within forty-five days of the board's filing of the complaint, or upon final adjudication of any criminal charges filed against the licensee, as appropriate, to determine if cause for discipline exists under the provisions of sections 324.240 to 324.275 and to determine whether the initial order entered by the commission shall continue in effect. Prior to the hearing, the licensee may file affidavits and certified court records for consideration by the administrative hearing commission. The administrative hearing commission may grant a request for a continuance but shall in any event hold the hearing within one hundred twenty days of the board's initial filing. The board shall be granted leave to amend its complaint if it is more than thirty days prior to the hearing, or within thirty days prior to the hearing upon a showing of good cause.

(2) If no cause for discipline is found following an evidentiary hearing, the administrative hearing commission shall issue findings of fact, conclusions of law, and an order terminating the commission's initial order imposing an emergency suspension or restriction of the license.

(3) If the administrative hearing commission finds cause for discipline following an evidentiary hearing, the commission shall issue findings of fact and conclusions of law and order the emergency suspension or restriction to remain in full force and effect pending a disciplinary hearing before the board. The board shall hold a hearing following the certification of the record by the administrative hearing commission and may impose discipline otherwise authorized by state law.

5. Any action under this section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any discipline otherwise in the board's power to impose and may be brought concurrently with other actions.

6. If the administrative hearing commission does not grant an initial order imposing an emergency suspension or restriction of the license as described in subsection 3 of this section, the board shall remove all reference to such emergency suspension or restriction from its public records.

331.084. 1. The board may apply to the administrative hearing commission for an emergency suspension or restriction of a license issued under this chapter if:

(1) The holder of the license is the subject of a pending criminal indictment, criminal information, or other criminal charge related to the duties and responsibilities of the licensed occupation; and

(2) There is reasonable cause for the board to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare is at imminent risk of harm from the holder of the license.

2. The board shall submit to the administrative hearing commission supporting affidavits and certified court records, together with a complaint alleging the facts in support of the board's request for an emergency suspension or restriction of a license, and shall supply the administrative hearing commission with the last home or business addresses on file with the board for the licensee. Within one business day of the filing of the complaint, the administrative hearing commission shall return a service packet to the board. The service packet shall include the board's complaint and any affidavits or records the board intends to rely on that have been filed with the administrative hearing commission. The service packet may contain other information in the discretion of the administrative hearing commission. Within twenty-four hours of receiving the packet, the board shall either personally serve the licensee the service packet or leave a copy of the service packet at all of the licensee's current addresses on file with the board.

3. Within five days of the board's filing of the complaint, the administrative hearing commission shall review the information submitted by the board and shall issue its findings of fact and conclusions of law. If the administrative hearing commission finds that there is reasonable cause for the board to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare is at imminent risk of harm from the holder of the license, the administrative hearing commission shall enter the order requested by the board. The order shall be effective upon personal service or by leaving a copy at all of the licensee's current addresses on file with the board.

4. (1) The administrative hearing commission shall hold an evidentiary hearing on the record within forty-five days of the board's filing of the complaint, or upon final adjudication of any criminal charges filed against the licensee, as appropriate, to determine if cause for discipline exists under the provisions of this chapter and to determine whether the initial order entered by the commission shall continue in effect. Prior to the hearing, the licensee may file affidavits and certified court records for consideration by the administrative hearing commission. The administrative hearing commission may grant a request for a continuance but shall in any event hold the hearing within one hundred twenty days of the board's initial filing. The board shall be granted leave to

amend its complaint if it is more than thirty days prior to the hearing, or within thirty days prior to the hearing upon a showing of good cause.

(2) If no cause for discipline is found following an evidentiary hearing, the administrative hearing commission shall issue findings of fact, conclusions of law, and an order terminating the commission's initial order imposing an emergency suspension or restriction of the license.

(3) If the administrative hearing commission finds cause for discipline following an evidentiary hearing, the commission shall issue findings of fact and conclusions of law and order the emergency suspension or restriction to remain in full force and effect pending a disciplinary hearing before the board. The board shall hold a hearing following the certification of the record by the administrative hearing commission and may impose discipline otherwise authorized by state law.

5. Any action under this section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any discipline otherwise in the board's power to impose and may be brought concurrently with other actions.

6. If the administrative hearing commission does not grant an initial order imposing an emergency suspension or restriction of the license as described in subsection 3 of this section, the board shall remove all reference to such emergency suspension or restriction from its public records."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 10

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Pages 11-12, Section 190.112, Lines 1-23, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"190.112. 1. Each ambulance service licensed under this chapter shall identify to the department the individual serving as the ambulance service administrator who is responsible for the operations and staffing of the ambulance service. The ambulance service administrator shall be required to have achieved basic training of at least forty hours regarding the operations of an ambulance service and two hours of annual continuing education. The training required under this section shall be offered by a statewide association organized for the benefit of ambulance districts or be approved by the state advisory council on emergency medical services and shall include the following:

- (1) Basic principles of accounting and economics;**
- (2) State and federal laws applicable to ambulance services;**
- (3) Regulatory requirements applicable to ambulance services;**
- (4) Human resources management and laws;**
- (5) Grant writing, contracts, and fundraising;**
- (6) State sunshine laws in chapter 610, as well as applicable ethics requirements; and**
- (7) Volunteer and community involvement.**

2. Ambulance service administrators serving in this capacity as of August 28, 2025, shall have until January 1, 2026, to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of this section."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 88, Section 537.038, Lines 1-4, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"537.038. 1. Any person may, without compensation, render emergency care or assistance at the scene of an emergency or accident and shall not be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions other than damages occasioned by gross negligence or by willful or wanton acts or omissions by such person in rendering such emergency care."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO
HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 11

Amend House Amendment No. 11 to House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 1, Line 4, by deleting said line and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

""9.412. The month of September each year is hereby designated as "Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month" in Missouri. The citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in appropriate events and activities to raise awareness about the causes of and treatments for brain aneurysms, which affect nearly two hundred thousand people each year.

9.418. The last full week of April each year shall be known as "Infertility Awareness"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 11

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 1, Section A, Line 12, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"9.418. The last full week of April each year shall be known as "Infertility Awareness Week" in Missouri. Infertility is a medical condition defined by the inability to achieve pregnancy after twelve months or more of regular, unprotected sexual activity, or the inability to carry a pregnancy to live birth, affecting millions of individuals and couples worldwide. It is estimated that approximately one in eight couples in the United States experience infertility, impacting people across all racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural backgrounds. The citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in appropriate events and activities to raise awareness about infertility to help reduce stigma, foster understanding, and promote equitable access to fertility treatments and family-building options, including assisted reproductive technologies, adoption, and surrogacy."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 13

Amend House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 7, Page 6, Section 190.098, Line 40, by inserting after the number **"(3)"** the following:

"(a) An ambulance service that provides community paramedic services and that has executed formal contracts or agreements with health care institutions, hospitals, health clinics, or insurance companies for the provision of community paramedic services shall be permitted to honor such agreements within the county boundaries of the ambulance service's primary location, irrespective of the ambulance service area boundaries described under section 190.105.

(b) For sustained services that are provided outside of the county of the ambulance service's primary 911 response territory where another licensed ambulance service also offers community paramedic services, the community paramedic program shall coordinate with the local ambulance service.

(c) To minimize potential confusion and maintain operational discretion, any agency providing community paramedic services outside its primary district boundaries may use an unmarked vehicle when operating in another ambulance service area.

(4)"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, by renumbering subsection subdivisions accordingly; and

Further amend said bill, Page 8, Section 190.101, Lines 25-26, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(j) The statewide professional association representing emergency physicians;

(k) The statewide professional association representing emergency medical services;

(l) The statewide association representing hospitals; and

(m) The statewide association representing pediatric emergency professionals;"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 30, by deleting said line and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(3) One member shall be appointed from each regional EMS advisory committee based upon the recommendations from each committee to the department of health and senior services; and"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 9, Line 59, by inserting after the word "of" the words **"the Missouri delegate to the interstate commission and"; and**

Further amend said bill, Page 14, Section 190.166, Line 60, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"190.241. 1. Except as provided for in subsection 4 of this section, the department shall designate a hospital as an adult, pediatric or adult and pediatric trauma center when a hospital, upon proper application submitted by the hospital and site review, has been found by the department to meet the applicable level

of trauma center criteria for designation in accordance with rules adopted by the department as prescribed by section 190.185. Site review may occur on-site or by any reasonable means of communication, or by any combination thereof. Such rules shall include designation as a trauma center without site review if such hospital is verified by a national verifying or designating body at the level which corresponds to a level approved in rule. In developing trauma center designation criteria, the department shall use, as it deems practicable, peer-reviewed and evidence-based clinical research and guidelines including, but not limited to, the most recent guidelines of the American College of Surgeons. **The department shall not deny a qualified hospital designation as a level I, II, or III trauma center based solely on the distance or mileage between trauma centers.**

2. Except as provided for in subsection 4 of this section, the department shall designate a hospital as a STEMI or stroke center when such hospital, upon proper application and site review, has been found by the department to meet the applicable level of STEMI or stroke center criteria for designation in accordance with rules adopted by the department as prescribed by section 190.185. Site review may occur on-site or by any reasonable means of communication, or by any combination thereof. In developing STEMI center and stroke center designation criteria, the department shall use, as it deems practicable, peer-reviewed and evidence-based clinical research and guidelines including, but not limited to, the most recent guidelines of the American College of Cardiology, the American Heart Association, or the American Stroke Association. Such rules shall include designation as a STEMI center or stroke center without site review if such hospital is certified by a national body.

3. The department of health and senior services shall, not less than once every three years, conduct a site review of every trauma, STEMI, and stroke center through appropriate department personnel or a qualified contractor, with the exception of trauma centers, STEMI centers, and stroke centers designated pursuant to subsection 4 of this section; however, this provision is not intended to limit the department's ability to conduct a complaint investigation pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection 2 of section 197.080 of any trauma, STEMI, or stroke center. Site reviews shall be coordinated for the different types of centers to the extent practicable with hospital licensure inspections conducted under chapter 197. No person shall be a qualified contractor for purposes of this subsection who has a substantial conflict of interest in the operation of any trauma, STEMI, or stroke center under review. The department may deny, place on probation, suspend or revoke such designation in any case in which it has determined there has been a substantial failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter or any rules or regulations promulgated pursuant to this chapter. Centers that are placed on probationary status shall be required to demonstrate compliance with the provisions of this chapter and any rules or regulations promulgated under this chapter within twelve months of the date of the receipt of the notice of probationary status, unless otherwise provided by a settlement agreement with a duration of a maximum of eighteen months between the department and the designated center. If the department of health and senior services has determined that a hospital is not in compliance with such provisions or regulations, it may conduct additional announced or unannounced site reviews of the hospital to verify compliance. If a trauma, STEMI, or stroke center fails two consecutive site reviews because of substantial noncompliance with standards prescribed by sections 190.001 to 190.245 or rules adopted by the department pursuant to sections 190.001 to 190.245, its center designation shall be revoked.

4. (1) Instead of applying for trauma, STEMI, or stroke center designation under subsection 1 or 2 of this section, a hospital may apply for trauma, STEMI, or stroke center designation under this subsection.

Upon receipt of an application on a form prescribed by the department, the department shall designate such hospital at a state level that corresponds to a similar national designation as set forth in rules promulgated by the department. The rules shall be based on standards of nationally recognized organizations and the recommendations of the time-critical diagnosis advisory committee.

(2) Except as provided by subsection 5 of this section, the department shall not require compliance with any additional standards for establishing or renewing trauma, STEMI, or stroke designations under this subsection. The designation shall continue if such hospital remains certified or verified. The department may remove a hospital's designation as a trauma center, STEMI center, or stroke center if the hospital requests removal of the designation or the department determines that the certificate or verification that qualified the hospital for the designation under this subsection has been suspended or revoked. Any decision made by the department to withdraw its designation of a center pursuant to this subsection that is based on the revocation or suspension of a certification or verification by a certifying or verifying organization shall not be subject to judicial review. The department shall report to the certifying or verifying organization any complaint it receives related to the center designated pursuant to this subsection. The department shall also advise the complainant which organization certified or verified the center and provide the necessary contact information should the complainant wish to pursue a complaint with the certifying or verifying organization.

5. Any hospital receiving designation as a trauma center, STEMI center, or stroke center pursuant to subsection 4 of this section shall:

(1) Within thirty days of any changes or receipt of a certificate or verification, submit to the department proof of certification or verification and the names and contact information of the center's medical director and the program manager; and

(2) Participate in local and regional emergency medical services systems for purposes of providing training, sharing clinical educational resources, and collaborating on improving patient outcomes.

Any hospital receiving designation as a level III stroke center pursuant to subsection 4 of this section shall have a formal agreement with a level I or level II stroke center for physician consultative services for evaluation of stroke patients for thrombolytic therapy and the care of the patient post-thrombolytic therapy.

6. Hospitals designated as a trauma center, STEMI center, or stroke center by the department shall submit data by one of the following methods:

(1) Entering hospital data into a state registry; or

(2) Entering hospital data into a national registry or data bank. A hospital submitting data pursuant to this subdivision shall not be required to collect and submit any additional trauma, STEMI, or stroke center data elements. No hospital submitting data to a national data registry or data bank under this subdivision shall withhold authorization for the department to access such data through such national data registry or data bank. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed as requiring duplicative data entry by a hospital that is otherwise complying with the provisions of this subsection. Failure of the department to obtain access to data submitted to a national data registry or data bank shall not be construed as hospital noncompliance under this subsection.

7. When collecting and analyzing data pursuant to the provisions of this section, the department shall comply with the following requirements:

(1) Names of any health care professionals, as defined in section 376.1350, shall not be subject to disclosure;

(2) The data shall not be disclosed in a manner that permits the identification of an individual patient or encounter;

(3) The data shall be used for the evaluation and improvement of hospital and emergency medical services' trauma, stroke, and STEMI care; and

(4) Trauma, STEMI, and stroke center data elements shall conform to national registry or data bank data elements, and include published detailed measure specifications, data coding instructions, and patient population inclusion and exclusion criteria to ensure data reliability and validity.

8. The department shall not have authority to establish additional education requirements for physicians who are emergency medicine board-certified or board-eligible through the American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM) or the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine (AOBEM) and who are practicing in the emergency department of a facility designated as a trauma center, STEMI center, or stroke center by the department under this section. The department shall deem the education requirements promulgated by ABEM or AOBEM to meet the standards for designations under this section. Education requirements for non-ABEM or non-AOBEM certified physicians, nurses, and other providers who provide care at a facility designated as a trauma center, STEMI center, or stroke center by the department under this section shall mirror but not exceed those established by national designating or verifying bodies of trauma centers, STEMI centers, or stroke centers.

9. The department of health and senior services may establish appropriate fees to offset only the costs of trauma, STEMI, and stroke center surveys.

10. No hospital shall hold itself out to the public as a STEMI center, stroke center, adult trauma center, pediatric trauma center, or an adult and pediatric trauma center unless it is designated as such by the department of health and senior services.

11. Any person aggrieved by an action of the department of health and senior services affecting the trauma, STEMI, or stroke center designation pursuant to this chapter, including the revocation, the suspension, or the granting of, refusal to grant, or failure to renew a designation, may seek a determination thereon by the administrative hearing commission under chapter 621. It shall not be a condition to such determination that the person aggrieved seek a reconsideration, a rehearing, or exhaust any other procedure within the department."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 17, Section 191.227, Line 82, by inserting after the word "**section**" the following: "**, or in response to a subpoena or court order**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Lines 86-88, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(3) Personal health information, including patient health history and treatment, shall not be considered a public record, as described under chapter 610. Nothing in this section shall limit the

release of information or public records with personal health information that is redacted regarding the general nature of the event."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 22, Section 191.648, Line 43, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"191.708. 1. The chief medical officer or chief medical director of the department of health and senior services, the department of mental health, or the MO HealthNet division of the department of social services, or any licensed physician acting with the express written consent of the director of any such department or division, may, within his or her scope of practice, issue:

(1) Nonspecific recommendations for doula services;

(2) A medical standing order for prenatal vitamins; or

(3) A medical standing order for any other purpose, other than for controlled substances, that is promulgated by rule in compliance with chapter 536.

2. Any standing order issued under this section shall:

(1) Be made available on the relevant department's website while in effect;

(2) Terminate upon removal of the issuing medical professional's authority under this section by vacancy of his or her position or otherwise; and

(3) If not terminated sooner under subdivision (2) of this subsection, expire within one year of issuance unless renewed.

3. The chief medical officer, chief medical director, or other authorized and licensed physician described in subsection 1 of this section shall be immune from criminal prosecution, disciplinary action from his or her professional licensing board, and civil liability for issuing a medical standing order or recommendation in accordance with this section, including for any outcome related to the standing order or recommendation."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 23, Section 191.1145, Line 52, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"191.1146. 1. Physicians licensed under chapter 334 who use telemedicine shall ensure that a properly established physician-patient relationship exists with the person who receives the telemedicine services. The physician-patient relationship may be established by:

(1) An in-person encounter through a medical [interview] **evaluation and physical examination;**

(2) Consultation with another physician, or that physician's delegate, who has an established relationship with the patient and an agreement with the physician to participate in the patient's care; or

(3) A telemedicine encounter, if the standard of care does not require an in-person encounter, and in accordance with evidence-based standards of practice and telemedicine practice guidelines that address the clinical and technological aspects of telemedicine.

2. In order to establish a physician-patient relationship through telemedicine:

(1) The technology utilized shall be sufficient to establish an informed diagnosis as though the medical [interview] **evaluation** and, **if required to meet the standard of care, the** physical examination has been performed in person; [and]

(2) Prior to providing treatment, including issuing prescriptions or physician certifications under Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, a physician who uses telemedicine shall [interview] **evaluate** the patient, collect or review **the patient's** relevant medical history, and perform an examination sufficient for the diagnosis and treatment of the patient. [A] **Any** questionnaire completed by the patient, whether via the internet or telephone, **shall be reviewed by the treating health care professional, as defined in section 376.1350, and shall include such information sufficient to provide the information as though the medical evaluation has been performed in person, otherwise such questionnaire** does not constitute an acceptable medical [interview] **evaluation** and examination for the provision of treatment by telehealth; **and**

(3) **Any provider that uses a questionnaire to establish a physician-patient relationship through telemedicine shall be employed or contracted with a business entity that is licensed to provide health care in this state.**

3. A health care provider, utilizing a medical evaluation questionnaire completed by the patient by way of the internet or telephone, shall provide a written report to the patient's primary health care provider within fourteen days of evaluation, if provided by the patient, that contains:

- (1) The identity of the patient;**
- (2) The date of the evaluation;**
- (3) The diagnosis and treatment provided, if any; and**
- (4) Any further instructions provided to the patient.**

192.021. 1. The department of health and senior services shall be authorized to contract directly with a designated Missouri affiliate of the National Network of Public Health Institutes, or a similar or successor entity, in order to assist in carrying out its duties to promote the health and wellbeing of the residents of this state. Such contracts may include, but not be limited to, efforts to assist in the delivery of health services to residents throughout the state and the administration of grant funds and related programs.

2. Within sixty days after the end of each fiscal year, the department and the designated affiliate shall provide the general assembly with an annual report and accounting of any appropriations and grant funds received and expended by the designated affiliate pursuant to this section during the immediate prior fiscal year and may provide recommendations and suggestions for improvement in services provided."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 28, Section 196.990, Line 88, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"198.022. 1. Upon receipt of an application for a license to operate a facility, the department shall review the application, investigate the applicant and the statements sworn to in the application for license and conduct any necessary inspections. A license shall be issued if the following requirements are met:

- (1) The statements in the application are true and correct;
 - (2) The facility and the operator are in substantial compliance with the provisions of sections 198.003 to 198.096 and the standards established thereunder;
 - (3) The applicant has the financial capacity to operate the facility;
 - (4) The administrator of an assisted living facility, a skilled nursing facility, or an intermediate care facility is currently licensed under the provisions of chapter 344;
 - (5) Neither the operator nor any principals in the operation of the facility have ever been convicted of a felony offense concerning the operation of a long-term health care facility or other health care facility or ever knowingly acted or knowingly failed to perform any duty which materially and adversely affected the health, safety, welfare or property of a resident, while acting in a management capacity. The operator of the facility or any principal in the operation of the facility shall not be under exclusion from participation in the Title XVIII (Medicare) or Title XIX (Medicaid) program of any state or territory;
 - (6) Neither the operator nor any principals involved in the operation of the facility have ever been convicted of a felony in any state or federal court arising out of conduct involving either management of a long-term care facility or the provision or receipt of health care;
 - (7) All fees due to the state have been paid.
2. Upon denial of any application for a license, the department shall so notify the applicant in writing, setting forth therein the reasons and grounds for denial.
 3. The department may inspect any facility and any records and may make copies of records, at the facility, at the department's own expense, required to be maintained by sections 198.003 to 198.096 or by the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder at any time if a license has been issued to or an application for a license has been filed by the operator of such facility. Copies of any records requested by the department shall be prepared by the staff of such facility within two business days or as determined by the department. The department shall not remove or disassemble any medical record during any inspection of the facility, but may observe the photocopying or may make its own copies if the facility does not have the technology to make the copies. In accordance with the provisions of section 198.525, the department shall make at least one inspection per year, which shall be unannounced to the operator. The department may make such other inspections, announced or unannounced, as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 198.003 to 198.136.
 4. Whenever the department has reasonable grounds to believe that a facility required to be licensed under sections 198.003 to 198.096 is operating without a license, and the department is not permitted access to inspect the facility, or when a licensed operator refuses to permit access to the department to inspect the facility, the department shall apply to the circuit court of the county in which the premises is located for an order authorizing entry for such inspection, and the court shall issue the order if it finds reasonable grounds for inspection or if it finds that a licensed operator has refused to permit the department access to inspect the facility.
 5. Whenever the department is inspecting a facility in response to an application from an operator located outside of Missouri not previously licensed by the department, the department may request from

the applicant the past five years compliance history of all facilities owned by the applicant located outside of this state.

6. (1) In lieu of any inspection required by sections 198.003 to 198.186, the department may accept, in whole or in part, written reports of the survey of any state or federal agency, or of any professional accrediting agency, if such survey:

(a) Is comparable in scope and method to the department's surveys; and

(b) Is conducted in accordance with Title XVIII of the Social Security Act.

(2) Failure by a residential care facility or assisted living facility to maintain an accredited status by a recognized accrediting entity shall result in the assisted living facility or residential care facility being subject to an inspection pursuant to section 198.525.

(3) The residential care facility or the assisted living facility shall provide to the department the accreditation report verifying accreditation status to be published on the department's website and made publicly available pursuant to section 198.030.

(4) The residential care facility or the assisted living facility shall immediately forward any complaint or report of suspected abuse or neglect that is reported to the accrediting entity to the department in the same manner as provided under section 198.070.

198.070. 1. When any adult day care worker; chiropractor; Christian Science practitioner; coroner; dentist; embalmer; employee of the departments of social services, mental health, or health and senior services; employee of a local area agency on aging or an organized area agency on aging program; funeral director; home health agency or home health agency employee; hospital and clinic personnel engaged in examination, care, or treatment of persons; in-home services owner, provider, operator, or employee; law enforcement officer; long-term care facility administrator or employee; medical examiner; medical resident or intern; mental health professional; minister; nurse; nurse practitioner; optometrist; other health practitioner; peace officer; pharmacist; physical therapist; physician; physician's assistant; podiatrist; probation or parole officer; psychologist; social worker; or other person with the care of a person sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult, as defined in section 192.2400, has reasonable cause to believe that a resident of a facility has been abused or neglected, he or she shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to the department.

2. (1) The report shall contain the name and address of the facility, the name of the resident, information regarding the nature of the abuse or neglect, the name of the complainant, and any other information which might be helpful in an investigation.

(2) In the event of suspected sexual assault of the resident, in addition to the report to be made to the department, a report shall be made to the appropriate local law enforcement agency in accordance with federal law under the provisions of 42 U.S.C. Section 1320b-25.

3. Any person required in subsection 1 of this section to report or cause a report to be made to the department who knowingly fails to make a report within a reasonable time after the act of abuse or neglect as required in this subsection is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

4. In addition to the penalties imposed by this section, any administrator who knowingly conceals any act of abuse or neglect resulting in death or serious physical injury, as defined in section 556.061, is guilty of a class E felony.

5. In addition to those persons required to report pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, any other person having reasonable cause to believe that a resident has been abused or neglected may report such information to the department.

6. Upon receipt of a report, the department shall initiate an investigation within twenty-four hours and, as soon as possible during the course of the investigation, shall notify the resident's next of kin or responsible party of the report and the investigation and further notify them whether the report was substantiated or unsubstantiated unless such person is the alleged perpetrator of the abuse or neglect. As provided in section 192.2425, substantiated reports of elder abuse shall be promptly reported by the department to the appropriate law enforcement agency and prosecutor.

7. If the investigation indicates possible abuse or neglect of a resident, the investigator shall refer the complaint together with the investigator's report to the department director or the director's designee for appropriate action. If, during the investigation or at its completion, the department has reasonable cause to believe that immediate removal is necessary to protect the resident from abuse or neglect, the department or the local prosecuting attorney may, or the attorney general upon request of the department shall, file a petition for temporary care and protection of the resident in a circuit court of competent jurisdiction. The circuit court in which the petition is filed shall have equitable jurisdiction to issue an ex parte order granting the department authority for the temporary care and protection of the resident, for a period not to exceed thirty days.

8. Reports shall be confidential, as provided pursuant to section 192.2500.

9. Anyone, except any person who has abused or neglected a resident in a facility, who makes a report pursuant to this section or who testifies in any administrative or judicial proceeding arising from the report shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability for making such a report or for testifying except for liability for perjury, unless such person acted negligently, recklessly, in bad faith or with malicious purpose. It is a crime under section 565.189 for any person to knowingly file a false report of elder abuse or neglect.

10. Within five working days after a report required to be made pursuant to this section is received, the person making the report shall be notified in writing of its receipt and of the initiation of the investigation.

11. No person who directs or exercises any authority in a facility shall evict, harass, dismiss or retaliate against a resident or employee because such resident or employee or any member of such resident's or employee's family has made a report of any violation or suspected violation of laws, ordinances or regulations applying to the facility which the resident, the resident's family or an employee has reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has occurred. Through the existing department information and referral telephone contact line, residents, their families and employees of a facility shall be able to obtain information about their rights, protections and options in cases of eviction, harassment, dismissal or retaliation due to a report being made pursuant to this section.

12. Any person who abuses or neglects a resident of a facility is subject to criminal prosecution under section 565.184.

13. The department shall maintain the employee disqualification list and place on the employee disqualification list the names of any persons who are or have been employed in any facility and who have been finally determined by the department pursuant to section 192.2490 to have knowingly or recklessly abused or neglected a resident. For purposes of this section only, "knowingly" and "recklessly" shall have the meanings that are ascribed to them in this section. A person acts "knowingly" with respect to the person's conduct when a reasonable person should be aware of the result caused by his or her conduct. A person acts "recklessly" when the person consciously disregards a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the person's conduct will result in serious physical injury and such disregard constitutes a gross deviation from the standard of care that a reasonable person would exercise in the situation.

14. The timely self-reporting of incidents to the central registry by a facility shall continue to be investigated in accordance with department policy, and shall not be counted or reported by the department as a hot-line call but rather a self-reported incident. If the self-reported incident results in a regulatory violation, such incident shall be reported as a substantiated report.

15. If a facility that is exempted from an annual inspection under subsection 6 of section 198.022 has one or more violations of a Class I standard under section 198.085, such facility shall be subject to a full survey by a state under section 198.022."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 30, Section 206.158, Line 20, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"208.149. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Clinical pathology services", professional medical services provided by a pathologist for the examination, diagnosis, and interpretation of laboratory tests performed on patient specimens to aid in the diagnosis and treatment of disease. Clinical pathology services include, but are not limited to, hematology, microbiology, immunology, clinical chemistry, molecular pathology, and other laboratory-based diagnostic procedures;

(2) "Hospital-based pathologist", a licensed physician specializing in pathology who provides clinical pathology services within a hospital setting;

(3) "Professional component of clinical pathology services", the portion of clinical pathology services that involves the pathologist's professional expertise in interpreting and supervising laboratory tests, excluding the technical component of performing the laboratory tests.

2. The fee for the professional component of clinical pathology services shall be paid by MO HealthNet for professional services provided by a hospital-based pathologist for inpatient clinical pathology services rendered to patients covered by the MO HealthNet program.

3. The reimbursement amount for the professional component of clinical pathology services shall be set at thirty percent of the approved outpatient simplified fee schedule based on Medicare's clinical laboratory fee schedule for the corresponding clinical pathology services payable by MO HealthNet.

4. (1) If the fee for the professional component of clinical pathology services is paid for professional services provided by a pathologist employed by the hospital where the clinical pathology services are rendered to covered MO HealthNet patients, the professional fee shall be paid directly to the hospital.

(2) If the fee for the professional component of clinical pathology services is paid for professional services provided by a pathologist who is not employed by the hospital where clinical pathology services are rendered to covered MO HealthNet patients, the professional fee shall be paid directly to the third party providing the services.

5. The department of social services shall promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2025, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 36, Section 208.152, Line 216, by inserting after the number "(26)" the following:

"Doula services in accordance with sections 208.1400 to 208.1425;

(27) Childbirth education classes for pregnant women and a support person;

(28)"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 40, Line 347, by inserting after said line the following:

"16. The department of social services shall study the impact that the childbirth education classes provided under subdivision (26) of subsection 1 of this section have on infant and maternal mortality among pregnant women. The department of social services shall submit a report to the general assembly with the results of the study before January 1, 2028.

208.662. 1. There is hereby established within the department of social services the "Show-Me Healthy Babies Program" as a separate children's health insurance program (CHIP) for any low-income unborn child. The program shall be established under the authority of Title XXI of the federal Social Security Act, the State Children's Health Insurance Program, as amended, and 42 CFR 457.1.

2. For an unborn child to be enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program, his or her mother shall not be eligible for coverage under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, the Medicaid program, as it is administered by the state, and shall not have access to affordable employer-subsidized health care insurance or other affordable health care coverage that includes coverage for the unborn child. In addition, the unborn child shall be in a family with income eligibility of no more than three hundred percent of the federal poverty level, or the equivalent modified adjusted gross income, unless the income eligibility is set lower by the general assembly through appropriations. In calculating family size as it relates to income eligibility, the family shall include, in addition to other family members, the unborn child, or in the case of a mother with a multiple pregnancy, all unborn children.

3. Coverage for an unborn child enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program shall include all prenatal care and pregnancy-related services that benefit the health of the unborn child and that promote healthy labor, delivery, and birth, **including childbirth education classes**. Coverage need not include services that are solely for the benefit of the pregnant mother, that are unrelated to maintaining or promoting a healthy pregnancy, and that provide no benefit to the unborn child. However, the department may include pregnancy-related assistance as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1397ll.

4. There shall be no waiting period before an unborn child may be enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program. In accordance with the definition of child in 42 CFR 457.10, coverage shall include the period from conception to birth. The department shall develop a presumptive eligibility procedure for enrolling an unborn child. There shall be verification of the pregnancy.

5. Coverage for the child shall continue for up to one year after birth, unless otherwise prohibited by law or unless otherwise limited by the general assembly through appropriations.

6. (1) Pregnancy-related and postpartum coverage for the mother shall begin on the day the pregnancy ends and extend through the last day of the month that includes the sixtieth day after the pregnancy ends, unless otherwise prohibited by law or unless otherwise limited by the general assembly through appropriations. The department may include pregnancy-related assistance as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1397ll.

(2) (a) Subject to approval of any necessary state plan amendments or waivers, beginning on July 6, 2023, mothers eligible to receive coverage under this section shall receive medical assistance benefits during the pregnancy and during the twelve-month period that begins on the last day of the woman's pregnancy and ends on the last day of the month in which such twelve-month period ends, consistent with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. Section 1397gg(e)(1)(J). The department shall seek any necessary state plan amendments or waivers to implement the provisions of this subdivision when the number of ineligible MO HealthNet participants removed from the program in 2023 pursuant to section 208.239 exceeds the projected number of beneficiaries likely to enroll in benefits in 2023 under this subdivision and subdivision (28) of subsection 1 of section 208.151, as determined by the department, by at least one hundred individuals.

(b) The provisions of this subdivision shall remain in effect for any period of time during which the federal authority under 42 U.S.C. Section 1397gg(e)(1)(J), as amended, or any successor statutes or implementing regulations, is in effect.

7. The department shall provide coverage for an unborn child enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program in the same manner in which the department provides coverage for the children's health insurance program (CHIP) in the county of the primary residence of the mother.

8. The department shall provide information about the show-me healthy babies program to maternity homes as defined in section 135.600, pregnancy resource centers as defined in section 135.630, and other similar agencies and programs in the state that assist unborn children and their mothers. The department shall consider allowing such agencies and programs to assist in the enrollment of unborn children in the program, and in making determinations about presumptive eligibility and verification of the pregnancy.

9. Within sixty days after August 28, 2014, the department shall submit a state plan amendment or seek any necessary waivers from the federal Department of Health and Human Services requesting approval for the show-me healthy babies program.

10. At least annually, the department shall prepare and submit a report to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the president pro tempore of the senate analyzing and projecting the cost savings and benefits, if any, to the state, counties, local communities, school districts, law enforcement agencies, correctional centers, health care providers, employers, other public and private entities, and persons by enrolling unborn children in the show-me healthy babies program. The analysis and projection of cost savings and benefits, if any, may include but need not be limited to:

(1) The higher federal matching rate for having an unborn child enrolled in the show-me healthy babies program versus the lower federal matching rate for a pregnant woman being enrolled in MO HealthNet or other federal programs;

(2) The efficacy in providing services to unborn children through managed care organizations, group or individual health insurance providers or premium assistance, or through other nontraditional arrangements of providing health care;

(3) The change in the proportion of unborn children who receive care in the first trimester of pregnancy due to a lack of waiting periods, by allowing presumptive eligibility, or by removal of other barriers, and any resulting or projected decrease in health problems and other problems for unborn children and women throughout pregnancy; at labor, delivery, and birth; and during infancy and childhood;

(4) The change in healthy behaviors by pregnant women, such as the cessation of the use of tobacco, alcohol, illicit drugs, or other harmful practices, and any resulting or projected short-term and long-term decrease in birth defects; poor motor skills; vision, speech, and hearing problems; breathing and respiratory problems; feeding and digestive problems; and other physical, mental, educational, and behavioral problems; and

(5) The change in infant and maternal mortality, preterm births and low birth weight babies and any resulting or projected decrease in short-term and long-term medical and other interventions.

11. The show-me healthy babies program shall not be deemed an entitlement program, but instead shall be subject to a federal allotment or other federal appropriations and matching state appropriations.

12. Nothing in this section shall be construed as obligating the state to continue the show-me healthy babies program if the allotment or payments from the federal government end or are not sufficient for the program to operate, or if the general assembly does not appropriate funds for the program.

13. Nothing in this section shall be construed as expanding MO HealthNet or fulfilling a mandate imposed by the federal government on the state.

208.1400. Sections 208.1400 to 208.1425 shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Doula Reimbursement Act".

208.1405. For purposes of sections 208.1400 to 208.1425, the following terms mean:

(1) "Community-based network", a network that is representative of a community or significant segments of a community and engaged in meeting that community's needs in the area of social, human, or health services;

(2) "Community navigation services", services that connect pregnant individuals and their families with available resources using a community-based approach including, but not limited to, an approach that understands the services and supports available to pregnant and postpartum individuals receiving MO HealthNet benefits and facilitates access to those resources based upon an assessment of social service needs;

(3) "Doula", a trained professional providing continuous physical, emotional, and informational support to a pregnant individual, from the prenatal, the intrapartum, and up to the first twelve months of the postpartum periods. Doulas also provide assistance by referring pregnant individuals to community-based networks and certified and licensed perinatal professionals in multiple disciplines;

(4) "Doula services", services provided by a doula;

(5) "Fee-for-service", a payment model where services are unbundled and paid for separately;

(6) "Intrapartum", the period of pregnancy during labor and delivery or childbirth. Services provided during this period are rendered to the pregnant individual;

(7) "Managed care", the delivery of Medicaid health benefits and additional services through contracted arrangements between state Medicaid agencies and managed care organizations that accept a set per member per month (capitation) payment for these services;

(8) "Postpartum", the one-year period after a pregnancy ends;

(9) "Prenatal", the period of pregnancy before labor or childbirth. Services provided during this period are rendered to the pregnant individual.

208.1410. The following doula services shall be covered by the MO HealthNet program:

(1) A combined total of six prenatal and postpartum support sessions;

(2) One birth attendance;

(3) Up to two visits for general consultation on lactation at any time during the prenatal and postpartum periods; and

(4) Community navigation services, except that any community navigation services provided outside any visit or session billed under subdivisions (1) to (3) of this section shall be billed only up to ten times total over the course of the pregnancy and postpartum period.

208.1415. A doula shall be eligible for participation as a provider of doula services covered by the MO HealthNet program only if the doula:

(1) Is enrolled as a MO HealthNet provider;

(2) Is eighteen years of age or older;

(3) Holds liability insurance as an individual or through a supervising organization; and

(4) Either:

(a) Possesses a current certificate issued by a national or Missouri-based doula training organization whose curriculum meets guidelines established by the MO HealthNet division by rule; or

(b) Received training from a source not described in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, or from multiple sources, whose curriculum meets the guidelines established under paragraph (a) of this subdivision as verified by a public roster maintained by a statewide organization composed of doula trainers from three or more independent, well-established doula training organizations located in Missouri whose purpose includes the validation of core competencies of training.

208.1420. 1. Once enrolled as a MO HealthNet provider, a doula shall be eligible to enroll as a provider with fee-for-service and managed care payers affiliated with the MO HealthNet program.

2. Doula services shall be reimbursed on a fee-for-service schedule.

208.1425. The MO HealthNet division shall promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of sections 208.1400 to 208.1425. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2025, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 41, Section 210.030, Lines 33-34, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"3. No treatment administered under this section shall be provided without the patient's consent."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 81, Section 332.760, Line 6, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"334.108. 1. Prior to prescribing any drug, controlled substance, or other treatment through telemedicine, as defined in section 191.1145, or the internet, a physician shall establish a valid physician-patient relationship as described in section 191.1146. This relationship shall include:

(1) Obtaining a reliable medical history and, if required to meet the standard of care, performing a physical examination of the patient, adequate to establish the diagnosis for which the drug is being prescribed and to identify underlying conditions or contraindications to the treatment recommended or provided;

(2) Having sufficient [dialogue] exchange with the patient regarding treatment options and the risks and benefits of treatment or treatments;

(3) If appropriate, following up with the patient to assess the therapeutic outcome;

(4) Maintaining a contemporaneous medical record that is readily available to the patient and, subject to the patient's consent, to the patient's other health care professionals; and

(5) Maintaining the electronic prescription information as part of the patient's medical record.

2. The requirements of subsection 1 of this section may be satisfied by the prescribing physician's designee when treatment is provided in:

(1) A hospital as defined in section 197.020;

(2) A hospice program as defined in section 197.250;

(3) Home health services provided by a home health agency as defined in section 197.400;

(4) Accordance with a collaborative practice agreement as [defined] **described** in section 334.104;

(5) Conjunction with a physician assistant licensed pursuant to section 334.738;

(6) Conjunction with an assistant physician licensed under section 334.036;

(7) Consultation with another physician who has an ongoing physician-patient relationship with the patient, and who has agreed to supervise the patient's treatment, including use of any prescribed medications; or

(8) On-call or cross-coverage situations.

3. No health care provider, as defined in section 376.1350, shall prescribe any drug, controlled substance, or other treatment to a patient based solely on an evaluation [over the telephone] **through telemedicine**; except that, a physician or such physician's on-call designee, or an advanced practice registered nurse, a physician assistant, or an assistant physician in a collaborative practice arrangement with such physician, may prescribe any drug, controlled substance, or other treatment that is within his or her scope of practice to a patient based solely on a [telephone] **telemedicine** evaluation if a previously established and ongoing physician-patient relationship exists between such physician and the patient being treated.

4. No health care provider shall prescribe any drug, controlled substance, or other treatment to a patient [based solely on an internet request or an internet questionnaire] **in the absence of a proper provider-patient relationship, as described in section 191.1146.**

5. Medical records of any drug, controlled substance, or other treatment prescribed through telemedicine, as defined in section 191.1145, shall be collected, stored, and maintained in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, which allows for the sharing of protected health information for continuity of care between health care providers for treatment, payment, and health care operations."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 86, Section 338.010, Line 121, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"338.333. 1. Except as otherwise provided by the board of pharmacy by rule in the event of an emergency or to alleviate a supply shortage, no person or distribution outlet shall act as a wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcer, or third-party logistics provider without first obtaining

license to do so from the Missouri board of pharmacy and paying the required fee. The board may grant temporary licenses when the wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcer, or third-party logistics provider first applies for a license to operate within the state. Temporary licenses shall remain valid until such time as the board shall find that the applicant meets or fails to meet the requirements for regular licensure. No license shall be issued or renewed for a wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcer, or third-party logistics provider to operate unless the same shall be operated in a manner prescribed by law and according to the rules and regulations promulgated by the board of pharmacy with respect thereto. Separate licenses shall be required for each distribution site owned or operated by a wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcer, or third-party logistics provider, unless such drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcer, or third-party logistics provider meets the requirements of section 338.335.

2. An agent or employee of any licensed or registered wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcer, or third-party logistics provider need not seek licensure under this section and may lawfully possess pharmaceutical drugs, if the agent or employee is acting in the usual course of his or her business or employment.

3. The board may permit out-of-state wholesale drug distributors, drug outsourcers, third-party logistics [provider] **providers**, or out-of-state pharmacy distributors to be licensed as required by sections 338.210 to 338.370 on the basis of reciprocity to the extent that the entity both:

(1) Possesses a valid license granted by another state pursuant to legal standards comparable to those which must be met by a wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug [outsourcers] **outsourcer**, or third-party logistics provider of this state as prerequisites for obtaining a license under the laws of this state. **If a state license is not issued by their resident state, out-of-state wholesale drug distributors and third-party logistics providers with a current and valid drug distributor accreditation from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy or its successor may be eligible for licensure as provided by the board by rule; and**

(2) Distributes into Missouri from a state which would extend reciprocal treatment under its own laws to a wholesale drug distributor, pharmacy distributor, drug outsourcers, or third-party logistics provider of this state."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 87, Section 376.1240, Line 15, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"376.1245. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Anesthesia time", the period during which an anesthesia practitioner is present with the patient, starting when the anesthesia practitioner begins to prepare the patient for anesthesia services in the operating room or an equivalent area and ending when the anesthesia practitioner is no longer furnishing anesthesia services to the patient because the patient may be placed safely under postoperative or postanesthesia care. The term "anesthesia time" includes, if counted by the anesthesia practitioner, blocks of time around an interruption in anesthesia time provided the anesthesia practitioner is furnishing continuous anesthesia care within the time periods around the interruption;

(2) "Anesthesia time units", time units recognized with appropriate time intervals that do not exceed fifteen minutes in length for each interval and that, taken together, represent the total anesthesia time for a particular anesthesia service;

(3) "Excepted benefit plan", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.998;

(4) "Health benefit plan", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.1350. The term "health benefit plan" shall also include MO HealthNet, the children's health insurance program authorized under chapter 208, the Missouri consolidated health care plan established under chapter 103, and any other state-sponsored health insurance program;

(5) "Health carrier", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.1350. The term "health carrier" shall also include the MO HealthNet division and any Medicaid managed care organization as defined in section 208.431;

(6) "Payment of anesthesia services", an amount paid for anesthesia services:

(a) Determined by using prevailing medical coding and billing standards in the professional medical billing community, such as the Current Procedural Terminology code book published by the American Medical Association, the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, or guidance from nationally recognized anesthesia organizations; and

(b) Calculated as the product obtained by multiplying the following together:

a. The sum of the base units for the appropriate medical code plus anesthesia time units; and

b. An anesthesia conversion factor that is defined in the individual contract between the health carrier or health benefit plan and the anesthesia practitioner or group.

2. No health carrier or health benefit plan shall establish, implement, or enforce any policy, practice, or procedure that imposes a time limit for the payment of anesthesia services provided during a medical or surgical procedure.

3. No health carrier or health benefit plan shall establish, implement, or enforce any policy, practice, or procedure that restricts or excludes all anesthesia time in calculating the payment of anesthesia services.

4. Excepted benefit plans shall be subject to the requirements of this section."; and

Further amend said bill, Pages 87-88, Section 376.1280, Lines 2-9, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(1) "Acute pain", pain that results from disease, accidental or intentional trauma, or other causes, that a health care provider reasonably expects to last thirty days or fewer;"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 88, Line 17, by inserting after the first instance of the word "of" the word "acute"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 98** with House Amendment No. 1, House Amendment No. 2, House Amendment No. 3, House Amendment No. 4, House Amendment No. 5, House Amendment No. 6, House Amendment No. 7, House Amendment No. 8, and House Amendment No. 9.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, In the Title, Lines 2 and 3, by deleting the phrase "the fraudulent use of accounts with a financial institution" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "financial institutions"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"361.909. Sections 361.900 to 361.1035 shall not apply to:

(1) An operator of a payment system to the extent that it provides processing, clearing, or settlement services between or among persons exempted under this section or licensees in connection with wire transfers, credit card transactions, debit card transactions, stored value transactions, automated clearinghouse transfers, or similar funds transfers;

(2) A person appointed as an agent of a payee to collect and process a payment from a payer to the payee for goods or services, other than money transmission itself, provided to the payer by the payee, provided that:

(a) There exists a written agreement between the payee and the agent directing the agent to collect and process payments from a payer on the payee's behalf;

(b) The payee holds the agent out to the public as accepting payments for goods or services on the payee's behalf; and

(c) Payment for the goods and services is treated as received by the payee upon receipt by the agent so that the payer's obligation is extinguished and there is no risk of loss to the payer if the agent fails to remit the funds to the payee;

(3) A person that acts as an intermediary by processing payments between an entity that has directly incurred an outstanding money transmission obligation to a sender and the sender's designated recipient, provided that the entity:

(a) Is properly licensed or exempt from licensing requirements under sections 361.900 to 361.1035;

(b) Provides a receipt, electronic record, or other written confirmation to the sender identifying the entity as the provider of money transmission in the transaction; and

(c) Bears sole responsibility to satisfy the outstanding money transmission obligation to the sender, including the obligation to make the sender whole in connection with any failure to transmit the funds to the sender's designated recipient;

(4) The United States or a department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or its agent;

(5) Money transmission by the United States Postal Service or by an agent of the United States Postal Service;

(6) A state, county, city, or any other governmental agency or governmental subdivision or instrumentality of a state, or its agent;

(7) A federally insured depository financial institution; bank holding company; office of an international banking corporation; foreign bank that establishes a federal branch under the International Bank Act, 12 U.S.C. Section 3102, as amended or recodified from time to time; corporation organized under the Bank Service Corporation Act, 12 U.S.C. Sections 1861-1867, as amended or recodified from time to time; or corporation organized under the Edge Act, 12 U.S.C. Sections 611-633, as amended or recodified from time to time, under the laws of a state or the United States;

(8) Electronic funds transfer of governmental benefits for a federal, state, county, or governmental agency by a contractor on behalf of the United States or a department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or on behalf of a state or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality thereof;

(9) A board of trade designated as a contract market under the federal Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. Sections 1-25, as amended or recodified from time to time, or a person that, in the ordinary course of business, provides clearance and settlement services for a board of trade to the extent of its operation as or for such a board;

(10) A registered futures commission merchant under the federal commodities laws to the extent of its operation as such a merchant;

(11) A person registered as a securities broker-dealer under federal or state securities laws to the extent of its operation as such a broker-dealer;

(12) An individual employed by a licensee, authorized delegate, or any person exempted from the licensing requirements under sections 361.900 to 361.1035 if acting within the scope of employment and under the supervision of the licensee, authorized delegate, or exempted person as an employee and not as an independent contractor;

(13) A person expressly appointed as a third-party service provider to or agent of an entity exempt under subdivision (7) of this section solely to the extent that:

(a) Such service provider or agent is engaging in money transmission on behalf of and under a written agreement with the exempt entity that sets forth the specific functions that the service provider or agent is to perform; and

(b) The exempt entity assumes all risk of loss and all legal responsibility for satisfying the outstanding money transmission obligations owed to purchasers and holders of the outstanding money transmission obligations upon receipt of the purchaser's or holder's money or monetary value by the service provider or agent;

(14) A person appointed as an agent of a payor for purposes of providing payroll processing services for which the agent would otherwise need to be licensed, provided all of the following apply:

(a) There is a written agreement between the payor and the agent that directs the agent to provide payroll processing services on the payor's behalf;

(b) The payor holds the agent out to employees and other payees as providing payroll processing services on the payor's behalf;

(c) The payor's obligation to a payee, including an employee or any other party entitled to receive funds via the payroll processing services provided by the agent, shall not be extinguished if the agent fails to remit the funds to the payee.

362.020. 1. The articles of agreement mentioned in this chapter shall set out:

(1) The corporate name of the proposed corporation. The corporate name shall not be a name, or an imitation of a name, used within the preceding fifty years as a corporate title of a bank or trust company incorporated in this state;

(2) The name of the city or town and county in this state in which the corporation is to be located;

(3) The amount of the capital stock of the corporation, the number of shares into which it is divided, and the par value thereof; that the same has been subscribed in good faith and all thereof actually paid up in lawful money of the United States and is in the custody of the persons named as the first board of directors or managers;

(4) The names and places of residences of the several shareholders and number of shares subscribed by each;

(5) The number and the names of the first directors;

(6) The purposes for which the corporation is formed;

(7) Any provisions relating to the preemptive rights of a shareholder as provided in section 351.305.

The articles of agreement may provide for the issuance of additional shares of capital stock or other classes of stock pursuant to the same procedures and conditions as provided under section 351.180, provided that such terms and procedures are acceptable to the director of finance and, provided that any notice or other approval required to be given or obtained from the state of Missouri shall be given or obtained from the director of the division of finance.

2. The articles of agreement may designate the number of directors necessary to constitute a quorum, and may provide for the number of years the corporation is to continue, or may provide that the existence of the corporation shall continue until the corporation shall be dissolved by consent of the stockholders or by proceedings instituted by the state under any statute now in force or hereafter enacted.

362.247. 1. A majority of the full board of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business unless another number is required by the articles of agreement, the bylaws or by law. The act of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the board of directors unless the act of a greater number is required by the articles of agreement, the bylaws or by law.

2. Unless otherwise prohibited by statute or [regulation,] **an order or memorandum of understanding entered into with the director of finance related to bank safety and soundness**, directors may attend board meetings by telephonic conference call or video conferencing, and the bank or trust company may include in a quorum directors who are not physically present but are allowed to vote[, provided the bank or trust company has a composite rating of 1 or 2 under the Uniform Financial Institutions Rating System of the Federal Financial Institution Examination Counsel (FFIEC)].

3. Any director remotely attending a board meeting via telephone or video conferencing may be counted toward a quorum for such meeting and, if the director is not otherwise prohibited, may vote on matters before the bank or trust company's board so long as the meeting minutes identify the director appearing remotely and reflect that the remote director:

(1) Received formal notice of the board meeting for which he or she is attending or waived such notice as otherwise provided by law;

(2) Received the board meeting information required for each board of director's meeting as provided by section 362.275;

(3) Was alone when participating in such board meeting or was in the physical presence of no one not a director of such bank or trust company; and

(4) Was able to clearly hear such board meeting discussion from its beginning to end.

4. The director of the division of finance may promulgate additional regulations, reasonable in scope, to provide for the integrity of the board of directors' operations when directors attend board meetings remotely, the safety and soundness of the bank or trust company's operation, and the bank or trust company's interest in minimizing the cost of compliance with such regulation.

362.275. 1. The board of directors of every bank and trust company organized or doing business pursuant to this chapter shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month, or, upon application to and acceptance by the director of finance, at such other times, not less frequently than once each calendar quarter as the director of finance shall approve, which approval may be rescinded at any time. There shall be submitted to the meeting a list giving the aggregate of loans, discounts, acceptances and advances, including overdrafts, to each individual, partnership, corporation or person whose liability to the bank or trust company has been created, extended, renewed or increased since the cut-off date prior to the regular meeting by more than an amount to be determined by the board of directors, which minimum amount shall not exceed five percent of the bank's legal loan limit, except the minimum amount shall in no case be less than ten thousand dollars; a second list of the aggregate indebtedness of each borrower whose aggregate indebtedness exceeds five times such minimum amount, except the aggregate indebtedness shall in no case be less than fifty thousand dollars; **and** a third list showing all paper past due thirty days or more or alternatively, the third list shall report the total past-due ratio for loans thirty days or more past due, nonaccrual loans divided by total loans, and a listing of past-due loans in excess of the minimum amount

to be determined by the board of directors, which minimum amount shall not exceed five percent of the bank's legal loan limit, except the minimum amount shall in no case be less than ten thousand dollars[; and a fourth list showing the aggregate of the then-existing indebtedness and liability to the bank or trust company of each of the directors, officers, and employees thereof]. The information called for in the second[, and third[, and fourth] lists shall be submitted as of the date of the regular meeting or as of a reasonable date prior thereto. No bills payable shall be made, and no bills shall be rediscounted by the bank or trust company except with the consent or ratification of the board of directors; provided, however, that if the bank or trust company is a member of the federal reserve system, rediscounts may be made to it by the officers in accordance with its rules, a list of all rediscounts to be submitted to the next regular meeting of the board. The director of finance may require, by order, that the board of directors of a bank or trust company approve or disapprove every purchase or sale of securities and every discount, loan, acceptance, renewal or other advance including every overdraft over an amount to be specified in the director's order and may also require that the board of directors review, at each monthly meeting, a list of the aggregate indebtedness of each borrower whose aggregate indebtedness exceeds an amount to be specified in the director's order. The minutes of the meeting shall indicate the compliance with the requirements of this section. Furthermore, the debtor's identity on the information required in this subsection may be masked by code to conceal the actual debtor's identity only for information mailed to or otherwise provided directors who are not physically present at the board meeting. The code used shall be revealed to all directors at the beginning of each board meeting for which this procedure is used.

2. For any issue in need of immediate action, the board of directors or the executive committee of the board as defined in section 362.253 may enter into a unanimous consent agreement as permitted by subsection 2 of section 351.340. Such consent may be communicated by facsimile transmission or by other authenticated record, separately by each director, provided each consent is signed by the director and the bank has no indication such signature is not the director's valid consent. When the bank or trust company has received unanimous consent from the board or executive committee, the action voted on shall be considered approved.

362.295. 1. Within ten days after service upon it of the notice provided for by section 361.130, every bank and trust company shall make a written report to the director, which report shall be in the form and shall contain the matters prescribed by the director and shall specifically state the items of capital, deposits, specie and cash items, public securities and private securities, real estate and real estate securities, and such other items as may be necessary to inform the public as to the financial condition and solvency of the bank or trust company, or which the director may deem proper to include therein. In lieu of requiring direct filing of reports of condition, the director may accept reports of condition or their equivalent as filed with federal regulatory agencies and may require verification and the filing of supplemental information as the director deems necessary.

2. Every report shall be verified by the oaths of the president or vice president and cashier or secretary or assistant cashier or assistant secretary, and the verification shall state that the report is true and correct in all respects to the best of the knowledge and belief of the persons verifying it, and the report shall be attested by three directors, and shall be a report of the actual condition of the bank or trust company at the close of business on the day designated and which day shall be prior to the call. If the director of finance obtains the data pursuant to subsection 3 of section 361.130, the director may rely on the verification provided to the federal regulatory agency.

3. [Every report, exclusive of the verification, shall, within thirty days after it shall have been filed with the director, be published by the bank or trust company in one newspaper of the place where its place of business is located, or if no newspaper is published there, in a newspaper of general circulation in the town and community in which the bank or trust company is located; the newspaper to be designated by the board of directors and a copy of the publication, with the affidavit of the publisher thereto, shall be attached to the report; provided, if the bank or trust company is located in a town or city having a population exceeding ten thousand inhabitants, then the publication must be in a daily newspaper, if published in that city; but if the bank or trust company is located in a town or city having a population of ten thousand inhabitants or less, then the publication may be in either a daily or weekly newspaper published in the town or city as aforesaid; and in all cases a copy of the statement shall be posted in the banking house accessible to all.

4.] The bank and trust company shall also make such other special reports to the director as he may from time to time require, in such form and at such date as may be prescribed by him, and the report shall, if required by him, be verified in such manner as he may prescribe.

[5.] 4. If the bank or trust company shall fail to make any report required by this section on or before the day designated for the making thereof, or shall fail to include therein any matter required by the director, the bank or trust company shall forfeit to the state the sum of one hundred dollars for every day that the report shall be delayed or withheld, and for every day that it shall fail to report any omitted matter, unless the time therefor shall have been extended by the director. Should any president, cashier or secretary of the bank or trust company or any director thereof fail to make the statement so required of him or them, or willfully and corruptly make a false statement, he or they, and each of them, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, upon information, punished by a fine for each offense not exceeding five hundred dollars and not less than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment not less than one or more than twelve months in the city or county jail, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

[6.] 5. A bank or trust company [may provide each written] **shall provide a paper or electronic copy of any regular periodic** report required to be [published free of charge to the public; and when each bank or trust company notifies their customers that such information is available; and when one copy of such information is available] **filed under section 361.130** to each [person] **customer** that requests it[, the newspaper publication provisions of this section shall not be enforced against such bank or trust company].

362.424. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Bank", includes any state or federally chartered bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association providing banking services to customers;

(2) "Trusted contact", any adult person designated by a bank customer that a bank may contact in the event of an emergency or loss of contact with the customer, or suspected third party fraud or financial exploitation targeting the customer.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any bank may report suspected fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting any of its customers to a federal, state, county,

or municipal law enforcement agency or any appropriate public protective agency and shall be immune from civil liability in doing so.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any bank, on a voluntary basis, may offer a trusted contact program to customers who may designate one or more trusted contacts for the bank to contact in the event a customer is not responsive to bank communications, the bank is presented with an urgent matter or emergency involving the customer and the bank is unable to locate the customer, or the bank suspects fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting the customer or the account has been deemed dormant and the bank is attempting to verify the status and location of the customer. The bank may establish such procedures, requirements, and forms as it deems appropriate and necessary should the bank decide to implement a trusted contact program.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any bank may voluntarily offer customers an account with convenience and security features that set transaction limits and permit limited access to view account activity for one or more trusted contacts designated by the customer.

5. No bank shall be liable for the actions of a trusted contact.

6. No bank shall be liable for declining to interact with a trusted contact when the bank, in good faith and exercising reasonable care, determines that a trusted contact is not acting in the best interests of the customer.

7. A person designated by a customer as a trusted contact who acts in good faith and exercises reasonable care shall be immune from liability.

8. A customer may withdraw any appointment of a person as a trusted contact at any time and any trusted contact may withdraw from status as a trusted contact at any time. The bank may require such documentation or verification as it deems necessary to establish the withdrawal or termination of a trusted contact.

9. No bank shall be civilly liable for implementing or not implementing or for actions or omissions related to providing or administering a trusted contact program.

362.490. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law of this state or of any political subdivision thereof requiring security for deposits in the form of collateral, surety bond or in any other form, security for such deposits shall not be required to the extent said deposits are insured under the provisions of an act of congress creating and establishing the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or similar agency created and established by the Congress of the United States.

2. (1) As an alternative to the requirements for direct pledging of security for deposit of public funds in excess of the amount that is federally insured or guaranteed pursuant to sections 110.010, 110.020, and 110.060, a banking institution authorized as legal depository for public funds may secure the deposits of any governmental entity by granting a security interest in a single pool of securities to secure the repayment of all public funds deposited in the banking institution by such governmental entities and not otherwise federally insured or secured pursuant to law.

(2) A banking institution may secure the deposit of public funds using the direct method as provided in chapter 110, or the single bank pooled method provided in this section, or may elect to offer government entities the choice of either method to secure the deposit of public funds.

(3) Under the direct method a banking institution may secure the deposit of public funds of each government entity separately by furnishing securities pursuant to sections 110.010, 110.020, and 110.060.

(4) Under the single bank pooled method a banking institution may secure the deposit of public funds of one or more government entities through a pool of eligible securities held in custody and safekeeping with one or more other banking institutions or safe depositaries, to be held subject to the order of the director of the division of finance or the administrator appointed pursuant to subsection 3 of this section for the benefit of the government entities having public funds deposited with such banking institution as set forth in this section.

3. (1) The director of the division of finance shall have exclusive authority to appoint a bank, trust company, or association for Missouri banks which is chartered or incorporated in Missouri, to serve as the administrator with respect to a single bank pooled method. The administrator shall act as an agent for banking institutions and as the nominee of the government entities for purposes of administering the pool of securities pledged to secure uninsured public fund deposits. The fees and expenses of such administrator shall be paid by the banking institutions utilizing the single bank pooled method. The single bank pooled method shall not be utilized by any banking institution unless an administrator has been appointed by the director pursuant to this section and is acting as the administrator. The director may require the administrator to post a surety bond or security to the director in an amount up to one hundred thousand dollars to assure the faithful performance of the duties of the administrator.

(2) At all times the aggregate market value of the pool of securities so deposited, pledged, or in which a security interest is granted shall be at least equal to one hundred two percent of the amount on deposit which is in excess of the amount so insured.

(3) Each banking institution shall carry on its accounting records at all times a general ledger or other appropriate account of the total amount of all public funds to be secured by the pool of securities as determined at the opening of business each day, and the aggregate market value of the pool of securities pledged, or in which a security interest is granted to secure such public funds.

(4) If a banking institution elects to secure the deposit of public funds through the use of the single bank pooled method, such banking institution shall notify the administrator in writing that it has elected to utilize the single bank pooled method and the proposed effective date thereof and enter such agreement as the administrator may require.

(5) A banking institution may not retain any deposit of public funds which is required to be secured unless it has secured the deposits for the benefit of the government entities having public funds with such banking institution pursuant to this section.

(6) Only the securities and collateral described or listed pursuant to section 30.270 for the safekeeping and payment of deposits by the state treasurer may be provided and accepted as

security for the deposit of public funds and shall be eligible as collateral. The administrator shall not accept any securities which are not described or listed pursuant to section 30.270.

(7) The administrator may establish such procedures and reporting requirements as necessary for depository banking institutions and their safekeeping banks or depositaries to confirm the amount of insured public fund deposits, the pledge of securities to the administrator to secure the deposit of public funds, as agent for each participating banking institution, and to monitor the market value of pledged securities as reported by the custody agents, and to add, substitute, or remove securities held in the single bank pool as directed by the depository banking institution.

(8) In the event of the failure and insolvency of a banking institution using the single bank pooled method, subject to any order of the director pursuant to powers vested under chapter 361, the administrator shall direct the safekeeping banks or depositaries to sell the pledged securities and direct proceeds to the payment of the uninsured public fund deposits or to transfer the pledged securities to that banking institution's primary supervisory agency or the duly appointed receiver for the banking institution to be liquidated to pay out the uninsured public fund deposits.

370.245. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Credit union", any state or federally chartered credit union providing financial services to members;

(2) "Trusted contact", any adult person designated by a credit union member that a credit union may contact in the event of an emergency or loss of contact with the member, or suspected third party fraud or financial exploitation targeting the member.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any credit union may report suspected fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting any of its members to a federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency or any appropriate public protective agency and shall be immune from civil liability in doing so.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any credit union, on a voluntary basis, may offer a trusted contact program to members who may designate one or more trusted contacts for the credit union to contact in the event a member is not responsive to credit union communications, the credit union is presented with an urgent matter or emergency involving the member and the credit union is unable to locate the member, or the credit union suspects fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting the member or the account has been deemed dormant and the credit union is attempting to verify the status and location of the member. The credit union may establish such procedures, requirements, and forms as it deems appropriate and necessary should the credit union opt to implement a trusted contact program.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any credit union may voluntarily offer members an account with convenience and security features that set transaction limits and permit limited access to view account activity for one or more trusted contacts designated by the member.

5. No credit union shall be liable for the actions of a trusted contact.

6. No credit union shall be liable for declining to interact with a trusted contact when the credit union, in good faith and exercising reasonable care, determines that a trusted contact is not acting in the best interests of the member.

7. A person designated by a member as a trusted contact who acts in good faith and exercises reasonable care shall be immune from liability.

8. A member may withdraw any appointment of a person as a trusted contact at any time and any trusted contact may withdraw from status as a trusted contact at any time. The credit union may require such documentation or verification as it deems necessary to establish the withdrawal or termination of a trusted contact.

9. No credit union shall be civilly liable for implementing or not implementing or for actions or omissions related to providing or administering a trusted contact program.

381.410. As used in this section and section 381.412, the following terms mean:

(1) "Cashier's check", a check, however labeled, drawn on the financial institution, which is signed only by an officer or employee of such institution, is a direct obligation of such institution, and is provided to a customer of such institution or acquired from such institution for remittance purposes;

(2) "Certified funds", United States currency, funds conveyed by a cashier's check, certified check, or teller's check, as defined in Federal Reserve Regulations CC, or **funds conveyed by wire transfers[, including] unconditionally received by the settlement agent or the agent's depository, or funds conveyed by a real-time payment system, including, but not limited to, RTP and Fed Now, for which a settlement agent receives** written advice from a financial institution that collected funds have been credited to the settlement agent's account;

(3) "Director", the director of the department of commerce and insurance, unless the settlement agent's primary regulator is another department. When the settlement agent is regulated by such department, that department shall have jurisdiction over this section and section 381.412;

(4) "Financial institution":

(a) A person or entity doing business under the laws of this state or the United States relating to banks, trust companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions, commercial and consumer finance companies, industrial loan companies, insurance companies, small business investment corporations licensed under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, 15 U.S.C. Section 661, et seq., as amended, or real estate investment trusts as defined in 26 U.S.C. Section 856, as amended, or institutions constituting the Farm Credit System under the Farm Credit Act of 1971, 12 U.S.C. Section 2000, et seq., as amended; or

(b) A mortgage loan company or mortgage banker doing business under the laws of this state or the United States which is subject to licensing, supervision, or auditing by the Federal National Mortgage Association, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the United States Veterans' Administration, or the Government National Mortgage Association, or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, or a successor of any of the foregoing agencies or entities, as an approved seller or servicer, if their principal place of business is in Missouri or a state which is contiguous to Missouri;

(5) "Settlement agent", a person, corporation, partnership, or other business organization which accepts funds and documents as fiduciary for the buyer, seller or lender for the purposes of closing a sale of an interest in real estate located within the state of Missouri, and is not a financial institution, or a member in good standing of the Missouri Bar, or a person licensed under chapter 339.

427.300. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Commercial Financing Disclosure Law".

2. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Account";

(a) Includes:

a. A right to payment of a monetary obligation, regardless of whether earned by performance, for one of the following:

(i) Property that has been or is to be sold, leased, licensed, assigned, or otherwise disposed of;

(ii) Services rendered or to be rendered;

(iii) A policy of insurance issued or to be issued;

(iv) A secondary obligation incurred or to be incurred;

(v) Energy provided or to be provided;

(vi) The use or hire of a vessel under a charter or other contract;

(vii) Arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card; or

(viii) As winnings in a lottery or other game of chance operated or sponsored by a state, governmental unit of a state, or person licensed or authorized to operate the game by a state or governmental unit of a state; and

b. Health-care-insurance receivables; and

(b) Does not include:

a. Rights to payment evidenced by chattel paper or an instrument;

b. Commercial tort claims;

c. Deposit accounts;

d. Investment property;

e. Letter-of-credit rights or letters of credit; or

f. Rights to payment for moneys or funds advanced or sold, other than rights arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card;

(2) "Accounts receivable purchase transaction", any transaction in which the business forwards or otherwise sells to the provider all or a portion of the business's accounts or payment intangibles at a discount to their expected value. The provider's characterization of an accounts receivable purchase transaction as a purchase is conclusive that the accounts receivable purchase transaction is not a loan or a transaction for the use, forbearance, or detention of money;

(3) "Broker", any person who, for compensation or the expectation of compensation, obtains a commercial financing transaction or an offer for a commercial financing transaction from a third party that would, if executed, be binding upon that third party and communicates that offer to a business located in this state. The term broker excludes a provider, or any individual or entity whose compensation is not based or dependent on the terms of the specific commercial financing transaction obtained or offered;

(4) "Business", an individual or group of individuals, sole proprietorship, corporation, limited liability company, trust, estate, cooperative, association, or limited or general partnership engaged in a business activity;

(5) "Business purpose transaction", any transaction where the proceeds are provided to a business or are intended to be used to carry on a business and not for personal, family, or household purposes. For purposes of determining whether a transaction is a business purpose transaction, the provider may rely on any written statement of intended purpose signed by the business. The statement may be a separate statement or may be contained in an application, agreement, or other document signed by the business or the business owner or owners;

(6) "Commercial financing facility", a provider's plan for purchasing multiple accounts receivable from the recipient over a period of time pursuant to an agreement that sets forth the terms and conditions governing the use of the facility;

(7) "Commercial financing transaction", any commercial loan, accounts receivable purchase transaction, commercial open-end credit plan or each to the extent the transaction is a business purpose transaction;

(8) "Commercial loan", a loan to a business, whether secured or unsecured;

(9) "Commercial open-end credit plan", commercial financing extended by any provider under a plan in which:

(a) The provider reasonably contemplates repeat transactions; and

(b) The amount of financing that may be extended to the business during the term of the plan, up to any limit set by the provider, is generally made available to the extent that any outstanding balance is repaid;

(10) "Depository institution", any of the following:

(a) A bank, trust company, or industrial loan company doing business under the authority of, or in accordance with, a license, certificate, or charter issued by the United States, this state, or any other state, district, territory, or commonwealth of the United States that is authorized to transact business in this state;

(b) A federally chartered savings and loan association, federal savings bank, or federal credit union that is authorized to transact business in this state; or

(c) A savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union organized under the laws of this or any other state that is authorized to transact business in this state;

(11) "General intangible", any personal property, including things in action, other than accounts, chattel paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts, documents, goods, instruments, investment property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money, and oil, gas, or other minerals before extraction. General intangible also includes payment intangibles and software;

(12) "Payment intangible", a general intangible under which the account debtor's principal obligation is a monetary obligation;

(13) "Provider", a person who consummates more than five commercial financing transactions to a business located in this state in any calendar year. Provider also includes a person that enters into a written agreement with a depository institution to arrange for the extension of a commercial financing transaction by the depository institution to a business via an online lending platform administered by the person. The fact that a provider extends a specific offer for a commercial financing transaction on behalf of a depository institution shall not be construed to mean that the provider engaged in lending or financing or originated that loan or financing.

3. (1) A provider that consummates a commercial financing transaction shall disclose the terms of the commercial financing transaction as required by this section. The disclosures shall be provided at or before consummation of the transaction. Only one disclosure is required for each commercial financing transaction, and a disclosure is not required as a result of the modification, forbearance, or change to a consummated commercial financing transaction.

(2) A provider shall disclose the following in connection with each commercial financing transaction:

(a) The total amount of funds provided to the business under the terms of the commercial financing transaction agreement. This disclosure shall be labeled "Total Amount of Funds Provided";

(b) The total amount of funds disbursed to the business under the terms of the commercial financing transaction, if less than the total amount of funds provided, as a result of any fees deducted or withheld at disbursement and any amount paid to a third party on behalf of the business. This disclosure shall be labeled "Total Amount of Funds Disbursed";

(c) The total amount to be paid to the provider pursuant to the commercial financing transaction agreement. This disclosure shall be labeled "Total of Payments";

(d) The total dollar cost of the commercial financing transaction under the terms of the agreement, derived by subtracting the total amount of funds provided from the total of payments. This calculation shall include any fees or charges deducted by the provider from the "Total Amount of Funds Provided". This disclosure shall be labeled "Total Dollar Cost of Financing";

(e) The manner, frequency, and amount of each payment. This disclosure shall be labeled "Payments". If the payments may vary, the provider shall instead disclose the manner, frequency, and the estimated amount of the initial payment labeled "Estimated Payments" and the commercial financing transaction

agreement shall include a description of the methodology for calculating any variable payment and the circumstances when payments may vary;

(f) A statement of whether there are any costs or discounts associated with prepayment of the commercial financing product including a reference to the paragraph in the agreement that creates the contractual rights of the parties related to prepayment. This disclosure shall be labeled "Prepayment"; and

(3) A provider that consummates a commercial financing facility may provide disclosures of this subsection which are based on an example of a transaction that could occur under the agreement. The example shall be based on an accounts receivable total face amount owed of ten thousand dollars. Only one disclosure is required for each commercial financing facility, and a disclosure is not required as result of a modification, forbearance, or change to the facility. A new disclosure is not required each time accounts receivable are purchased under the facility.

4. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the following:

(1) A provider that is a depository institution or a subsidiary or affiliate;

(2) A provider that is a service corporation to a depository institution that is:

(a) Owned and controlled by a depository institution; and

(b) Regulated by a federal banking agency;

(3) A provider that is a lender regulated under the federal Farm Credit Act, 12 U.S.C. Section 2001, et seq.;

(4) A commercial financing transaction that is:

(a) Secured by real property;

(b) A lease; or

(c) A purchase money obligation that is incurred as all or part of the price of the collateral or for value given to enable the business to acquire rights in or the use of the collateral if the value is in fact so used;

(5) A commercial financing transaction in which the recipient is a motor vehicle dealer or an affiliate of such a dealer, or a vehicle rental company, or an affiliate of such a company, pursuant to a commercial loan or commercial open-end credit plan of at least fifty thousand dollars or a commercial financing transaction offered by a person in connection with the sale or lease of products or services that such person manufactures, licenses, or distributes, or whose parent company or any of its directly or indirectly owned and controlled subsidiaries manufactures, licenses, or distributes;

(6) A commercial financing transaction that is a factoring transaction, purchase, sale, advance, or similar of accounts receivable owed to a health care provider because of a patient's personal injury treated by the health care provider;

(7) A provider that is licensed as a money transmitter in accordance with a license, certificate, or charter issued by this state or any other state, district, territory, or commonwealth of the United States;

(8) A provider that consummates no more than five commercial financing transactions in this state in a twelve-month period; [or]

(9) A commercial financing transaction of more than five hundred thousand dollars; **or**

(10) A commercial financing product that is a premium finance agreement, as defined in subdivision (3) of section 364.100, offered or entered into by a provider that is a registered premium finance company.

5. (1) No person shall engage in business as a broker within this state for compensation, unless prior to conducting such business, the person has filed a registration with the division of finance within the department of commerce and insurance and has on file a good and sufficient bond as specified in this subsection. The registration shall be effective upon receipt by the division of finance of a completed registration form and the required registration fee, and shall remain effective until the time of renewal.

(2) After filing an initial registration form, a broker shall file, on or before January thirty-first of each year, a renewal registration form along with the required renewal registration fee.

(3) The broker shall pay a one-hundred-dollar registration fee upon the filing of an initial registration and a fifty-dollar renewal registration fee upon the filing of a renewal registration.

(4) The registration form required by this subsection shall include the following:

(a) The name of the broker;

(b) The name in which the broker is transacted if different from that stated in paragraph (a) of this subdivision;

(c) The address of the broker's principal office, which may be outside this state;

(d) Whether any officer, director, manager, operator, or principal of the broker has been convicted of a felony involving an act of fraud, dishonesty, breach of trust, or money laundering; and

(e) The name and address in this state of a designated agent upon whom service of process may be made.

(5) If information in a registration form changes or otherwise becomes inaccurate after filing, the broker shall not be required to file a further registration form prior to the time of renewal.

(6) Every broker shall obtain a surety bond issued by a surety company authorized to do business in this state. The amount of the bond shall be ten thousand dollars. The bond shall be in favor of the state of Missouri. Any person damaged by the broker's breach of contract or of any obligation arising therefrom, or by any violation of this section, may bring an action against the bond to recover damages suffered. The aggregate liability of the surety shall be only for actual damages and in no event shall exceed the amount of the bond.

(7) Employees regularly employed by a broker who has complied with this subsection shall not be required to file a registration or obtain a surety bond when acting within the scope of their employment for the broker.

6. (1) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of five hundred dollars per incident, not to exceed twenty thousand dollars, for all aggregated violations arising from the use of the transaction documentation or materials found to be in violation of this section. Any person who violates any provision of this section after receiving written notice of a prior violation from the attorney general shall be punished by a fine of one thousand dollars per incident, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, for all aggregated violations arising from the use of the transaction documentation or materials found to be in violation of this section.

(2) Violation of any provision of this section shall not affect the enforceability or validity of the underlying agreement.

(3) This section shall not create a private right of action against any person or other entity based upon compliance or noncompliance with its provisions.

(4) Authority to enforce compliance with this section is vested exclusively in the attorney general of this state.

7. The requirements of subsections 3 and 5 of this section shall take effect upon either:

(1) Six months after the division of finance finalizes promulgating rules, if the division intends to promulgate rules; or

(2) February 28, 2025, if the division does not intend to promulgate rules.

8. The division of finance may promulgate rules implementing this section. If the division of finance intends to promulgate rules, it shall declare its intent to do so no later than February 28, 2025. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2024, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 2, Section 570.148, Line 38, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"[447.200. 1. If any consumer deposit account with a banking organization or financial organization, as such terms are defined in and under section 447.503, is determined to be or to have been inactive for a period of twelve or more months and if inactivity fees apply to such account, such banking organization, bank or financial organization shall notify the person or depositor named on such inactive account of such inactivity . Notice may be delivered by first class mail, with postage prepaid, and marked "Address Correction Requested", or alternatively, the notice may be sent or delivered electronically if the consumer has consented to receiving electronic disclosures in accordance with the federal Truth in Savings Act, 12 U.S.C. Sections 4301 to 4313, and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, for any consumer deposit account with a banking organization, bank or financial organization that is or that has been inactive for twelve months or more, such bank or financial organization shall issue annual statements to the person or depositor named

on the account. The organization or a bank may charge a service fee of up to five dollars for any statement issued under this subsection, provided that such fee shall be withdrawn from the inactive account.

3. If any consumer deposit account with a banking organization, bank or financial organization is determined to be or to have been inactive for a period of five years, the funds from such account shall be remitted to the abandoned fund account established under section 447.543.

4. For purposes of this section, the word "inactive" means a prescribed period during which there is no activity or contact initiated by the person or depositor named on the account, which results in an inactivity fee or fees being charged to the account.]; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 3

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"381.410. As used in this section and section 381.412, the following terms mean:

(1) "Cashier's check", a check, however labeled, drawn on the financial institution, which is signed only by an officer or employee of such institution, is a direct obligation of such institution, and is provided to a customer of such institution or acquired from such institution for remittance purposes;

(2) "Certified funds", United States currency, funds conveyed by a cashier's check, certified check, or teller's check, as defined in Federal Reserve Regulations CC, or **funds conveyed by wire transfers[, including] unconditionally received by the settlement agent or the agent's depository, or funds conveyed by a real-time payment system including, but not limited to, RTP and Fed Now, for which a settlement agent receives** written advice from a financial institution that collected funds have been credited to the settlement agent's account;

(3) "Director", the director of the department of commerce and insurance, unless the settlement agent's primary regulator is another department. When the settlement agent is regulated by such department, that department shall have jurisdiction over this section and section 381.412;

(4) "Financial institution":

(a) A person or entity doing business under the laws of this state or the United States relating to banks, trust companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions, commercial and consumer finance companies, industrial loan companies, insurance companies, small business investment corporations licensed under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, 15 U.S.C. Section 661, et seq., as amended, or real estate investment trusts as defined in 26 U.S.C. Section 856, as amended, or institutions constituting the Farm Credit System under the Farm Credit Act of 1971, 12 U.S.C. Section 2000, et seq., as amended; or

(b) A mortgage loan company or mortgage banker doing business under the laws of this state or the United States which is subject to licensing, supervision, or auditing by the Federal National Mortgage Association, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the United States Veterans'

Administration, or the Government National Mortgage Association, or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, or a successor of any of the foregoing agencies or entities, as an approved seller or servicer, if their principal place of business is in Missouri or a state which is contiguous to Missouri;

(5) "Settlement agent", a person, corporation, partnership, or other business organization which accepts funds and documents as fiduciary for the buyer, seller or lender for the purposes of closing a sale of an interest in real estate located within the state of Missouri, and is not a financial institution, or a member in good standing of the Missouri Bar, or a person licensed under chapter 339."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 4

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"361.1100. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Virtual Currency Kiosk Consumer Protection Act".

2. For purposes of this section, the following terms and phrases mean:

(1) "Bank Secrecy Act", the federal Bank Secrecy Act, 31 U.S.C. Section 5311, et seq. and its implementing rules and regulations, as amended and recodified from time to time;

(2) "Blockchain", a distributed digital ledger or database that is chronological, consensus-based, decentralized, and mathematically verified in nature;

(3) "Blockchain analytics", a software service that uses data from various virtual currencies and their applicable blockchains to provide a risk rating specific to digital wallet addresses from users of virtual currency kiosks;

(4) "Digital wallet", hardware or software that enables individuals to store and use virtual currency;

(5) "Digital wallet address", an alphanumeric identifier representing a destination on a blockchain for a virtual currency transfer that is associated with a digital wallet;

(6) "Director", the director of the division;

(7) "Division", the division of finance within the department of commerce and insurance;

(8) "Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or Securities Investor Protection Corporation", a bank, credit union, savings and loan association, trust company, savings association, savings bank, industrial bank, or industrial loan company organized under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States, if the bank, credit union, savings and loan association, trust company, savings association, savings bank, industrial bank, or industrial loan company has federally insured deposits;

(9) "Fiat currency", a medium of exchange that is authorized or adopted by the United States government as part of its currency and is not backed by a commodity;

(10) "Individual", a natural person;

(11) "NMLS", the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry developed by the Conference of State Bank Supervisors and the American Association of Residential Mortgage Regulators and owned and operated by the State Regulatory Registry, LLC, or any successor or affiliated entity, for the licensing and registration of persons in financial services industries;

(12) "United States PATRIOT Act", the federal Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 and its implementing rules and regulations, as amended and recodified from time to time;

(13) "Virtual currency",

(a) Any type of digital unit that is used as a medium of exchange or a form of digitally stored value or that is incorporated into payment system technology. Virtual currency shall be construed to include digital units of exchange that:

a. Have a centralized repository or administrator;

b. Are decentralized and have no centralized repository or administrator; or

c. May be created or obtained by computing or manufacturing effort;

(b) Virtual currency shall not be construed to include digital units that are used:

a. Solely within online gaming platforms with no market or application outside such gaming platforms; or

b. Exclusively as part of a consumer affinity or rewards program, and can be applied solely as payment for purchases with the issuer or other designated merchants, but cannot be converted into or redeemed for fiat currency;

(14) "Virtual currency kiosk", an electronic terminal of the virtual currency kiosk operator that enables the owner or operator to facilitate the exchange of fiat currency for virtual currency or virtual currency for fiat currency or other virtual currency, including, but not limited to:

(a) Connecting directly to a separate virtual currency exchange that performs the actual virtual currency transmission; or

(b) Drawing upon the virtual currency in the possession of the owner or operator of the electronic terminal;

(15) "Virtual currency kiosk operator", a corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or foreign entity qualified to do business in this state that operates a virtual currency kiosk within this state.

3. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all information or reports obtained by the division from a virtual currency kiosk operator, and all information contained in or related to an

examination, investigation, operating report, or condition report prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of the division in relation to a virtual currency kiosk operator, are confidential and are not subject to disclosure under chapter 610.

(2) Information contained in the records of the division that is not confidential and may be available to the public either on the division's website, upon receipt by the division of a written request, or in NMLS shall include:

(a) The name, business address, telephone number, and unique identifier of a virtual currency kiosk operator;

(b) The business address of a virtual currency kiosk operator's registered agent for service; and

(c) Copies of any final orders of the division relating to any violation of this section or regulations implementing this section.

4. If any provision of this section is inconsistent with any federal law, including but not limited to the Bank Secrecy Act or the United States PATRIOT Act, the applicable federal law shall govern to the extent of any inconsistency.

5. (1) The director may request evidence of compliance with this section or a rule adopted or order issued pursuant to this section as reasonably necessary or appropriate to administer and enforce this section, and other applicable law, including the Bank Secrecy Act and the United States PATRIOT Act.

(2) A virtual currency kiosk operator shall provide the director all records the director may reasonably require to ensure compliance with this section.

6. As part of establishing a relationship with a customer, and prior to entering into an initial transaction for, on behalf of, or with such customer, each virtual currency kiosk operator shall disclose in clear, conspicuous, and legible writing in the English language, whether in accessible terms of service or elsewhere, all material risks associated with its products, services, and activities and virtual currency generally, including disclosures substantially similar to the following:

(1) Virtual currency is not legal tender, is not backed by the government, and accounts and value balances are not subject to Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or Securities Investor Protection Corporation protections;

(2) Legislative and regulatory changes or actions at the state, federal, or international level may adversely affect the use, transfer, exchange, and value of virtual currency;

(3) Transactions in virtual currency may be irreversible, and, accordingly, losses due to fraudulent or accidental transactions may not be recoverable;

(4) Some virtual currency transactions shall be deemed to be made when recorded on a public ledger, which is not necessarily the date or time that the customer initiates the transaction;

(5) The value of virtual currency may be derived from the continued willingness of market participants to exchange fiat currency for virtual currency, which may result in the potential for

permanent and total loss of value of a particular virtual currency should the market for that virtual currency disappear;

(6) There is no assurance that a person who accepts a virtual currency as payment today will continue to do so in the future;

(7) The volatility and unpredictability of the price of virtual currency relative to fiat currency may result in significant loss over a short period of time;

(8) The nature of virtual currency may lead to an increased risk of fraud or cyber attack;

(9) The nature of virtual currency means that any technological difficulties experienced by the virtual currency kiosk operator may prevent the access or use of a customer's virtual currency; and

(10) Any bond or trust account maintained by the virtual currency kiosk operator for the benefit of its customers may not be sufficient to cover all losses incurred by customers.

7. When opening an account for a new customer, and prior to entering into an initial transaction for, on behalf of, or with such customer, each virtual currency kiosk operator shall disclose in clear, conspicuous, and legible writing in the English language, whether in accessible terms of service or elsewhere, all relevant terms and conditions associated with its products, services, and activities and virtual currency generally, including disclosures substantially similar to the following:

(1) The customer's liability for unauthorized virtual currency transactions;

(2) Under what circumstances the virtual currency kiosk operator will, absent a court or government order, disclose information concerning the customer's account to third parties;

(3) The customer's right to receive periodic account statements and valuations from the virtual currency kiosk operator;

(4) The customer's right to receive a receipt, trade ticket, or other evidence of a transaction;

(5) The customer's right to prior notice of a change in the virtual currency kiosk operator's rules or policies; and

(6) Such other disclosures as are customarily given in connection with the opening of customer accounts.

8. Prior to entering into a virtual currency transaction with a customer, each virtual currency kiosk operator shall ensure a warning is disclosed to a customer substantially similar to the following:

Customer Notice. Please Read Carefully.

Did you receive a phone call from your bank, software provider, the police, or were you directed to make a payment for social security, utility bill, investment, warrants, or bail money at this kiosk? STOP

**Is anyone on the phone pressuring you to make a payment of any kind?
STOP**

I understand that the purchase and sale of cryptocurrency is a final irreversible and non-refundable transaction.

I confirm I am sending funds to a wallet I own or directly have control over. I confirm that I am using funds gained from my own initiative to make my transaction.

9. Upon completion of any virtual currency kiosk transaction, each virtual currency kiosk operator shall provide to a customer a digital or physical receipt containing the following information:

(1) The name and contact information of the virtual currency kiosk operator, including a telephone number established by the virtual currency kiosk operator to answer questions and register complaints;

(2) The type, value, date, and precise time of the transaction in the local time zone;

(3) The fee charged;

(4) The exchange rate, if applicable;

(5) A statement of the liability of the virtual currency kiosk operator for non-delivery or delayed delivery; and

(6) A statement of the refund policy of the virtual currency kiosk operator.

10. All virtual currency kiosk operators shall use blockchain analytics software to assist in the prevention of sending purchased virtual currency from a virtual currency kiosk operator to a digital wallet known to be affiliated with fraudulent activity at the time of a transaction. The division may request evidence from any virtual currency kiosk operator of current use of blockchain analytics.

11. All virtual currency kiosk operators performing business in this state shall provide live customer service at a minimum on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. The customer service toll free number shall be displayed on the virtual currency kiosk or the virtual currency kiosk screens.

12. All virtual currency kiosk operators shall take reasonable steps to detect and prevent fraud, including establishing and maintaining a written anti-fraud policy. The anti-fraud policy shall, at a minimum, include:

(1) The identification and assessment of fraud related risk areas;

(2) Procedures and controls to protect against identified risks;

(3) Allocation of responsibility for monitoring risks; and

(4) Procedures for the periodic evaluation and revision of the anti-fraud procedures, controls, and monitoring mechanisms.

13. (1) Each virtual currency kiosk operator shall maintain, implement, and enforce a written "Enhanced Due Diligence Policy". Such a policy shall be reviewed and approved by the virtual currency kiosk operator's board of directors or an equivalent governing body of the virtual currency kiosk operator.

(2) The "Enhanced Due Diligence Policy" shall identify, at minimum, individuals who are at risk of fraud based on age or mental capacity.

14. (1) Each virtual currency kiosk operator shall comply with the provisions of this section, any lawful order, rule, or regulation made or issued under the provisions of this section, and all applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations.

(2) Each virtual currency kiosk shall maintain, implement, and enforce written compliance policies and procedures. Such policies and procedures shall be reviewed and approved by the virtual currency kiosk operator's board of directors or an equivalent governing body of the virtual currency kiosk operator.

15. (1) Each virtual currency kiosk operator shall designate and employ a compliance officer with the following requirements:

(a) The individual shall be qualified to coordinate and monitor compliance with this section and all other applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations;

(b) The individual shall be employed full-time by the virtual currency kiosk operator; and

(c) The designated compliance officer cannot be any individual who owns more than twenty percent of the virtual currency kiosk operator by whom the individual is employed.

(2) Compliance responsibilities required under federal and state laws, rules, and regulations shall be completed by full-time employees of the virtual currency kiosk operator.

16. Each virtual currency kiosk operator shall designate and employ a consumer protection officer with each of the following requirements:

(1) The individual shall be qualified to coordinate and monitor compliance with this section and all other applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations;

(2) The individual shall be employed full-time by the virtual currency kiosk operators; and

(3) The designated consumer protection officer cannot be an individual who owns more than twenty percent of the virtual currency kiosk operator by whom the individual is employed.

17. (1) Each virtual currency kiosk operator shall submit a report to the division of the location of each virtual currency kiosk located within this state within forty-five days of the end of the calendar quarter. The director shall formulate a system for virtual currency kiosk operators to submit such locations that is consistent with the requirements of this section.

(2) The location report shall include, at a minimum, the following information regarding the location where a virtual currency kiosk is located:

- (a) Company legal name;**
- (b) Any fictitious or trade name;**
- (c) Physical address;**
- (d) Start date of operation of virtual currency kiosk at location; and**
- (e) End date of operation of virtual currency kiosk at location, if applicable.**

18. (1) Any virtual currency kiosk operator who owns, operates, solicits, markets, advertises, or facilitates virtual currency kiosks in this state shall be deemed to be engaged in money transmission and require licensure pursuant to sections 361.900 to 361.1035.

(2) All unlicensed virtual currency kiosk operators shall apply for a money transmitter license within sixty days after this section goes into effect. Virtual currency kiosk operators who apply within this time will be allowed to continue operations while the division reviews the application. Any virtual currency kiosk operator whose application is denied by the division shall cease operations until granted a money transmitter license.

19. The division of finance may promulgate rules for the purpose of implementing the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2025, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 5

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"143.081. 1. A resident individual, resident estate, and resident trust shall be allowed a credit against the tax otherwise due pursuant to sections 143.005 to 143.998 for the amount of any income tax imposed for the taxable year by another state of the United States (or a political subdivision thereof) or the District of Columbia on income derived from sources therein and which is also subject to tax pursuant to sections 143.005 to 143.998. For purposes of this subsection, the phrase "income tax imposed" shall be that amount of tax before any income tax credit allowed by such other state or the District of Columbia if the other state or the District of Columbia authorizes a reciprocal benefit for residents of this state.

2. The credit provided pursuant to this section shall not exceed an amount which bears the same ratio to the tax otherwise due pursuant to sections 143.005 to 143.998 as the amount of the taxpayer's Missouri

adjusted gross income derived from sources in the other jurisdiction bears to the taxpayer's Missouri adjusted gross income derived from all sources. In applying the limitation of the previous sentence to an estate or trust, Missouri taxable income shall be substituted for Missouri adjusted gross income. If the tax of more than one other jurisdiction is imposed on the same item of income, the credit shall not exceed the limitation that would result if the taxes of all the other jurisdictions applicable to the item were deemed to be of a single jurisdiction. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any credit allowed under this section, **provided that such credit shall be allowed under this section with respect to any estate or trust to the extent its Missouri adjusted gross income is excluded from Missouri taxable income pursuant to the subtraction set forth in subsection 3 of section 143.341.**

3. (1) For the purposes of this section, in the case of an S corporation, each resident S shareholder shall be considered to have paid a tax imposed on the shareholder in an amount equal to the shareholder's pro rata share of any net income tax paid by the S corporation to a state which does not measure the income of shareholders on an S corporation by reference to the income of the S corporation or where a composite return and composite payments are made in such state on behalf of the S shareholders by the S corporation.

(2) A resident S shareholder shall be eligible for a credit issued pursuant to this section in an amount equal to the individual income tax imposed pursuant to this chapter on such shareholder's share of the S corporation's income derived from sources in another state of the United States or the District of Columbia, and which is subject to income tax pursuant to this chapter but is not subject to income tax in such other jurisdiction or a political subdivision thereof.

4. For purposes of subsection 3 of this section, in the case of an S corporation that is a bank chartered by a state, the Office of Thrift Supervision, or the comptroller of currency, each Missouri resident S shareholder of such out-of-state bank shall qualify for the shareholder's pro rata share of any net tax paid, including a bank franchise tax based on the income of the bank, by such S corporation where bank payment of taxes are made in such state on behalf of the S shareholders by the S bank to the extent of the tax paid.

143.341. 1. The Missouri taxable income of a resident estate or trust means its federal taxable income subject to the modifications in this section.

2. There shall be subtracted the amount if any that the federal personal exemption deduction allowable to the estate or trust exceeds its federal taxable income without its personal exemption deduction.

3. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, there shall be subtracted that amount included in Missouri taxable income of the estate or trust that would not be included as Missouri taxable income if said estate or trust were considered a nonresident estate or trust as defined in section 143.371. This subtraction shall only apply to the extent it is not a determinant of the federal distributable net income of the estate or trust.

[3.] 4. There shall be added or subtracted, as the case may be, the modifications described in sections 143.121 and 143.141, and there shall be subtracted the federal income tax deduction provided in section 143.171. These additions and subtractions shall only apply to the extent that they are not determinants of the federal distributable net income of the estate or trust.

[4.] 5. There shall be added or subtracted, as the case may be, the share of the estate or trust in the fiduciary adjustment determined under section 143.351."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 6

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"361.909. Sections 361.900 to 361.1035 shall not apply to:

(1) An operator of a payment system to the extent that it provides processing, clearing, or settlement services between or among persons exempted under this section or licensees in connection with wire transfers, credit card transactions, debit card transactions, stored value transactions, automated clearinghouse transfers, or similar funds transfers;

(2) A person appointed as an agent of a payee to collect and process a payment from a payer to the payee for goods or services, other than money transmission itself, provided to the payer by the payee, provided that:

(a) There exists a written agreement between the payee and the agent directing the agent to collect and process payments from a payer on the payee's behalf;

(b) The payee holds the agent out to the public as accepting payments for goods or services on the payee's behalf; and

(c) Payment for the goods and services is treated as received by the payee upon receipt by the agent so that the payer's obligation is extinguished and there is no risk of loss to the payer if the agent fails to remit the funds to the payee;

(3) A person that acts as an intermediary by processing payments between an entity that has directly incurred an outstanding money transmission obligation to a sender and the sender's designated recipient, provided that the entity:

(a) Is properly licensed or exempt from licensing requirements under sections 361.900 to 361.1035;

(b) Provides a receipt, electronic record, or other written confirmation to the sender identifying the entity as the provider of money transmission in the transaction; and

(c) Bears sole responsibility to satisfy the outstanding money transmission obligation to the sender, including the obligation to make the sender whole in connection with any failure to transmit the funds to the sender's designated recipient;

(4) The United States or a department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or its agent;

(5) Money transmission by the United States Postal Service or by an agent of the United States Postal Service;

(6) A state, county, city, or any other governmental agency or governmental subdivision or instrumentality of a state, or its agent;

(7) A federally insured depository financial institution; bank holding company; office of an international banking corporation; foreign bank that establishes a federal branch under the International Bank Act, 12 U.S.C. Section 3102, as amended or recodified from time to time; corporation organized under the Bank Service Corporation Act, 12 U.S.C. Sections 1861-1867, as amended or recodified from time to time; or corporation organized under the Edge Act, 12 U.S.C. Sections 611-633, as amended or recodified from time to time, under the laws of a state or the United States;

(8) Electronic funds transfer of governmental benefits for a federal, state, county, or governmental agency by a contractor on behalf of the United States or a department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or on behalf of a state or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality thereof;

(9) A board of trade designated as a contract market under the federal Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. Sections 1-25, as amended or recodified from time to time, or a person that, in the ordinary course of business, provides clearance and settlement services for a board of trade to the extent of its operation as or for such a board;

(10) A registered futures commission merchant under the federal commodities laws to the extent of its operation as such a merchant;

(11) A person registered as a securities broker-dealer under federal or state securities laws to the extent of its operation as such a broker-dealer;

(12) An individual employed by a licensee, authorized delegate, or any person exempted from the licensing requirements under sections 361.900 to 361.1035 if acting within the scope of employment and under the supervision of the licensee, authorized delegate, or exempted person as an employee and not as an independent contractor;

(13) A person expressly appointed as a third-party service provider to or agent of an entity exempt under subdivision (7) of this section solely to the extent that:

(a) Such service provider or agent is engaging in money transmission on behalf of and under a written agreement with the exempt entity that sets forth the specific functions that the service provider or agent is to perform; and

(b) The exempt entity assumes all risk of loss and all legal responsibility for satisfying the outstanding money transmission obligations owed to purchasers and holders of the outstanding money transmission obligations upon receipt of the purchaser's or holder's money or monetary value by the service provider or agent.

(14) A person appointed as an agent of a payor for purposes of providing payroll processing services for which the agent would otherwise need to be licensed, provided all of the following apply:

(1) There is a written agreement between the payor and the agent that directs the agent to provide payroll processing services on the payor's behalf;

(2) The payor holds the agent out to employees and other payees as providing payroll processing services on the payor's behalf; and

(3) The payor's obligation to a payee, including an employee or any other party entitled to receive funds via the payroll processing services provided by the agent, shall not be extinguished if the agent fails to remit the funds to the payee."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 7

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"362.490. **1.** Notwithstanding any provision of law of this state or of any political subdivision thereof requiring security for deposits in the form of collateral, surety bond or in any other form, security for such deposits shall not be required to the extent said deposits are insured under the provisions of an act of congress creating and establishing the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or similar agency created and established by the Congress of the United States.

2. (1) As an alternative to the requirements for direct pledging of security for deposit of public funds in excess of the amount that is federally insured or guaranteed pursuant to sections 110.010, 110.020, and 110.060, a banking institution authorized as legal depositary for public funds may secure the deposits of any governmental entity by granting a security interest in a single pool of securities to secure the repayment of all public funds deposited in the banking institution by such governmental entities and not otherwise federally insured or secured pursuant to law.

(2) A banking institution may secure the deposit of public funds using the direct method as provided in chapter 110, or the single bank pooled method provided in this section, or may elect to offer government entities the choice of either method to secure the deposit of public funds.

(3) Under the direct method a banking institution may secure the deposit of public funds of each government entity separately by furnishing securities pursuant to sections 110.010, 110.020, and 110.060.

(4) Under the single bank pooled method a banking institution may secure the deposit of public funds of one or more government entities through a pool of eligible securities held in custody and safekeeping with one or more other banking institutions or safe depositaries, to be held subject to the order of the director of the division of finance or the administrator appointed pursuant to subsection 3 of this section for the benefit of the government entities having public funds deposited with such banking institution as set forth in this section.

3. (1) The director of the division of finance shall have exclusive authority to appoint a bank, trust company, or association for Missouri banks which is chartered or incorporated in Missouri, to serve as the administrator with respect to a single bank pooled method. The administrator shall act as an agent for banking institutions and as the nominee of the government entities for purposes of administering the pool of securities pledged to secure uninsured public fund deposits. The fees and expenses of such administrator shall be paid by the banking institutions utilizing the single bank pooled method. The single bank pooled method shall not be utilized by any banking institution unless an administrator has been appointed by the director pursuant to this section and is acting as

the administrator. The director may require the administrator to post a surety bond or security to the director in an amount up to one hundred thousand dollars to assure the faithful performance of the duties of the administrator.

(2) At all times the aggregate market value of the pool of securities so deposited, pledged, or in which a security interest is granted shall be at least equal to one hundred two percent of the amount on deposit which is in excess of the amount so insured.

(3) Each banking institution shall carry on its accounting records at all times a general ledger or other appropriate account of the total amount of all public funds to be secured by the pool of securities as determined at the opening of business each day, and the aggregate market value of the pool of securities pledged, or in which a security interest is granted to secure such public funds.

(4) If a banking institution elects to secure the deposit of public funds through the use of the single bank pooled method, such banking institution shall notify the administrator in writing that it has elected to utilize the single bank pooled method and the proposed effective date thereof and enter such agreement as the administrator may require.

(5) A banking institution may not retain any deposit of public funds which is required to be secured unless it has secured the deposits for the benefit of the government entities having public funds with such banking institution pursuant to this section.

(6) Only the securities and collateral described or listed pursuant to section 30.270 for the safekeeping and payment of deposits by the state treasurer may be provided and accepted as security for the deposit of public funds and shall be eligible as collateral. The administrator shall not accept any securities which are not described or listed pursuant to section 30.270.

(7) The administrator may establish such procedures and reporting requirements as necessary for depository banking institutions and their safekeeping banks or depositaries to confirm the amount of insured public fund deposits, the pledge of securities to the administrator to secure the deposit of public funds, as agent for each participating banking institution, and to monitor the market value of pledged securities as reported by the custody agents, and to add, substitute, or remove securities held in the single bank pool as directed by the depository banking institution.

(8) In the event of the failure and insolvency of a banking institution using the single bank pooled method, subject to any order of the director pursuant to powers vested under chapter 361, the administrator shall direct the safekeeping banks or depositaries to sell the pledged securities and direct proceeds to the payment of the uninsured public fund deposits or to transfer the pledged securities to that banking institution's primary supervisory agency or the duly appointed receiver for the banking institution to be liquidated to pay out the uninsured public fund deposits."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 8

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"130.011. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms mean:

(1) "Appropriate officer" or "appropriate officers", the person or persons designated in section 130.026 to receive certain required statements and reports;

(2) "Ballot measure" or "measure", any proposal submitted or intended to be submitted to qualified voters for their approval or rejection, including any proposal submitted by initiative petition, referendum petition, or by the general assembly or any local governmental body having authority to refer proposals to the voter;

(3) "Candidate", an individual who seeks nomination or election to public office. The term "candidate" includes an elected officeholder who is the subject of a recall election, an individual who seeks nomination by the individual's political party for election to public office, an individual standing for retention in an election to an office to which the individual was previously appointed, an individual who seeks nomination or election whether or not the specific elective public office to be sought has been finally determined by such individual at the time the individual meets the conditions described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subdivision, and an individual who is a write-in candidate as defined in subdivision (28) of this section. A candidate shall be deemed to seek nomination or election when the person first:

(a) Receives contributions or makes expenditures or reserves space or facilities with intent to promote the person's candidacy for office; or

(b) Knows or has reason to know that contributions are being received or expenditures are being made or space or facilities are being reserved with the intent to promote the person's candidacy for office; except that, such individual shall not be deemed a candidate if the person files a statement with the appropriate officer within five days after learning of the receipt of contributions, the making of expenditures, or the reservation of space or facilities disavowing the candidacy and stating that the person will not accept nomination or take office if elected; provided that, if the election at which such individual is supported as a candidate is to take place within five days after the person's learning of the above-specified activities, the individual shall file the statement disavowing the candidacy within one day; or

(c) Announces or files a declaration of candidacy for office;

(4) "Cash", currency, coin, United States postage stamps, or any negotiable instrument which can be transferred from one person to another person without the signature or endorsement of the transferor;

(5) "Check", a check drawn on a state or federal bank, or a draft on a negotiable order of withdrawal account in a savings and loan association or a share draft account in a credit union;

(6) "Closing date", the date through which a statement or report is required to be complete;

(7) "Committee", a person or any combination of persons, who accepts contributions or makes expenditures for the primary or incidental purpose of influencing or attempting to influence the action of voters for or against the nomination or election to public office of one or more candidates or the qualification, passage or defeat of any ballot measure or for the purpose of paying a previously incurred campaign debt or obligation of a candidate or the debts or obligations of a committee or for the purpose of contributing funds to another committee:

(a) "Committee", does not include:

a. A person or combination of persons, if neither the aggregate of expenditures made nor the aggregate of contributions received during a calendar year exceeds five hundred dollars and if no single contributor has contributed more than two hundred fifty dollars of such aggregate contributions;

b. An individual, other than a candidate, who accepts no contributions and who deals only with the individual's own funds or property;

c. A corporation, cooperative association, partnership, proprietorship, or joint venture organized or operated for a primary or principal purpose other than that of influencing or attempting to influence the action of voters for or against the nomination or election to public office of one or more candidates or the qualification, passage or defeat of any ballot measure, and it accepts no contributions, and all expenditures it makes are from its own funds or property obtained in the usual course of business or in any commercial or other transaction and which are not contributions as defined by subdivision (12) of this section;

d. A labor organization organized or operated for a primary or principal purpose other than that of influencing or attempting to influence the action of voters for or against the nomination or election to public office of one or more candidates, or the qualification, passage, or defeat of any ballot measure, and it accepts no contributions, and expenditures made by the organization are from its own funds or property received from membership dues or membership fees which were given or solicited for the purpose of supporting the normal and usual activities and functions of the organization and which are not contributions as defined by subdivision (12) of this section;

e. A person who acts as an authorized agent for a committee in soliciting or receiving contributions or in making expenditures or incurring indebtedness on behalf of the committee if such person renders to the committee treasurer or deputy treasurer or candidate, if applicable, an accurate account of each receipt or other transaction in the detail required by the treasurer to comply with all record-keeping and reporting requirements of this chapter;

f. Any department, agency, board, institution or other entity of the state or any of its subdivisions or any officer or employee thereof, acting in the person's official capacity;

(b) The term "committee" includes, but is not limited to, each of the following committees: campaign committee, candidate committee, continuing committee and political party committee;

(8) "Campaign committee", a committee, other than a candidate committee, which shall be formed by an individual or group of individuals to receive contributions or make expenditures and whose sole purpose is to support or oppose the qualification and passage of one or more particular ballot measures in an election or the retention of judges under the nonpartisan court plan, such committee shall be formed no later than thirty days prior to the election for which the committee receives contributions or makes expenditures, and which shall terminate the later of either thirty days after the general election or upon the satisfaction of all committee debt after the general election, except that no committee retiring debt shall engage in any other activities in support of a measure for which the committee was formed;

(9) "Candidate committee", a committee which shall be formed by a candidate to receive contributions or make expenditures in behalf of the person's candidacy and which shall continue in existence for use by an elected candidate or which shall terminate the later of either thirty days after the general election for a

candidate who was not elected or upon the satisfaction of all committee debt after the election, except that no committee retiring debt shall engage in any other activities in support of the candidate for which the committee was formed. Any candidate for elective office shall have only one candidate committee for the elective office sought, which is controlled directly by the candidate for the purpose of making expenditures. A candidate committee is presumed to be under the control and direction of the candidate unless the candidate files an affidavit with the appropriate officer stating that the committee is acting without control or direction on the candidate's part;

(10) "Continuing committee", a committee of continuing existence which is not formed, controlled or directed by a candidate, and is a committee other than a candidate committee or campaign committee, whose primary or incidental purpose is to receive contributions or make expenditures to influence or attempt to influence the action of voters whether or not a particular candidate or candidates or a particular ballot measure or measures to be supported or opposed has been determined at the time the committee is required to file any statement or report pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. "Continuing committee" includes, but is not limited to, any committee organized or sponsored by a business entity, a labor organization, a professional association, a trade or business association, a club or other organization and whose primary purpose is to solicit, accept and use contributions from the members, employees or stockholders of such entity and any individual or group of individuals who accept and use contributions to influence or attempt to influence the action of voters. Such committee shall be formed no later than sixty days prior to the election for which the committee receives contributions or makes expenditures;

(11) "Connected organization", any organization such as a corporation, a labor organization, a membership organization, a cooperative, or trade or professional association which expends funds or provides services or facilities to establish, administer or maintain a committee or to solicit contributions to a committee from its members, officers, directors, employees or security holders. An organization shall be deemed to be the connected organization if more than fifty percent of the persons making contributions to the committee during the current calendar year are members, officers, directors, employees or security holders of such organization or their spouses;

(12) "Contribution", a payment, gift, loan, advance, deposit, or donation of money or anything of value for the purpose of supporting or opposing the nomination or election of any candidate for public office or the qualification, passage or defeat of any ballot measure, or for the support of any committee supporting or opposing candidates or ballot measures or for paying debts or obligations of any candidate or committee previously incurred for the above purposes. A contribution of anything of value shall be deemed to have a money value equivalent to the fair market value. "Contribution" includes, but is not limited to:

(a) A candidate's own money or property used in support of the person's candidacy other than expense of the candidate's food, lodging, travel, and payment of any fee necessary to the filing for public office;

(b) Payment by any person, other than a candidate or committee, to compensate another person for services rendered to that candidate or committee;

(c) Receipts from the sale of goods and services, including the sale of advertising space in a brochure, booklet, program or pamphlet of a candidate or committee and the sale of tickets or political merchandise;

(d) Receipts from fund-raising events including testimonial affairs;

(e) Any loan, guarantee of a loan, cancellation or forgiveness of a loan or debt or other obligation by a third party, or payment of a loan or debt or other obligation by a third party if the loan or debt or other obligation was contracted, used, or intended, in whole or in part, for use in an election campaign or used or intended for the payment of such debts or obligations of a candidate or committee previously incurred, or which was made or received by a committee;

(f) Funds received by a committee which are transferred to such committee from another committee or other source, except funds received by a candidate committee as a transfer of funds from another candidate committee controlled by the same candidate but such transfer shall be included in the disclosure reports;

(g) Facilities, office space or equipment supplied by any person to a candidate or committee without charge or at reduced charges, except gratuitous space for meeting purposes which is made available regularly to the public, including other candidates or committees, on an equal basis for similar purposes on the same conditions;

(h) The direct or indirect payment by any person, other than a connected organization, of the costs of establishing, administering, or maintaining a committee, including legal, accounting and computer services, fund raising and solicitation of contributions for a committee;

(i) "Contribution" does not include:

a. Ordinary home hospitality or services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering their time in support of or in opposition to a candidate, committee or ballot measure, nor the necessary and ordinary personal expenses of such volunteers incidental to the performance of voluntary activities, so long as no compensation is directly or indirectly asked or given;

b. An offer or tender of a contribution which is expressly and unconditionally rejected and returned to the donor within ten business days after receipt or transmitted to the state treasurer;

c. Interest earned on deposit of committee funds;

d. The costs incurred by any connected organization listed pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection 5 of section 130.021 for establishing, administering or maintaining a committee, or for the solicitation of contributions to a committee which solicitation is solely directed or related to the members, officers, directors, employees or security holders of the connected organization;

(13) "County", any one of the several counties of this state or the city of St. Louis;

(14) "Disclosure report", an itemized report of receipts, expenditures and incurred indebtedness which is prepared on forms approved by the Missouri ethics commission and filed at the times and places prescribed;

(15) "Election", any primary, general or special election held to nominate or elect an individual to public office, to retain or recall an elected officeholder or to submit a ballot measure to the voters, and any caucus or other meeting of a political party or a political party committee at which that party's candidate or candidates for public office are officially selected. A primary election and the succeeding general election shall be considered separate elections;

(16) "Electronic means", any instrument, device, or service that facilitates an electronic withdrawal of funds from a bank account including, but not limited to, credit cards, debit cards, and the presentation of a credit or debit card account number;

(17) "Expenditure", a payment, advance, conveyance, deposit, donation or contribution of money or anything of value for the purpose of supporting or opposing the nomination or election of any candidate for public office or the qualification or passage of any ballot measure or for the support of any committee which in turn supports or opposes any candidate or ballot measure or for the purpose of paying a previously incurred campaign debt or obligation of a candidate or the debts or obligations of a committee; a payment, or an agreement or promise to pay, money or anything of value, including a candidate's own money or property, for the purchase of goods, services, property, facilities or anything of value for the purpose of supporting or opposing the nomination or election of any candidate for public office or the qualification or passage of any ballot measure or for the support of any committee which in turn supports or opposes any candidate or ballot measure or for the purpose of paying a previously incurred campaign debt or obligation of a candidate or the debts or obligations of a committee. An expenditure of anything of value shall be deemed to have a money value equivalent to the fair market value. "Expenditure" includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Payment by anyone other than a committee for services of another person rendered to such committee;

(b) The purchase of tickets, goods, services or political merchandise in connection with any testimonial affair or fund-raising event of or for candidates or committees, or the purchase of advertising in a brochure, booklet, program or pamphlet of a candidate or committee;

(c) The transfer of funds by one committee to another committee;

(d) The direct or indirect payment by any person, other than a connected organization for a committee, of the costs of establishing, administering or maintaining a committee, including legal, accounting and computer services, fund raising and solicitation of contributions for a committee; but

(e) "Expenditure" does not include:

a. Any news story, commentary or editorial which is broadcast or published by any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine or other periodical without charge to the candidate or to any person supporting or opposing a candidate or ballot measure;

b. The internal dissemination by any membership organization, proprietorship, labor organization, corporation, association or other entity of information advocating the election or defeat of a candidate or candidates or the passage or defeat of a ballot measure or measures to its directors, officers, members, employees or security holders, provided that the cost incurred is reported pursuant to subsection 2 of section 130.051;

c. Repayment of a loan, but such repayment shall be indicated in required reports;

d. The rendering of voluntary personal services by an individual of the sort commonly performed by volunteer campaign workers and the payment by such individual of the individual's necessary and ordinary personal expenses incidental to such volunteer activity, provided no compensation is, directly or indirectly, asked or given;

e. The costs incurred by any connected organization listed pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection 5 of section 130.021 for establishing, administering or maintaining a committee, or for the solicitation of contributions to a committee which solicitation is solely directed or related to the members, officers, directors, employees or security holders of the connected organization;

f. The use of a candidate's own money or property for expense of the candidate's personal food, lodging, travel, and payment of any fee necessary to the filing for public office, if such expense is not reimbursed to the candidate from any source;

[(17)] **(18)** "Exploratory committees", a committee which shall be formed by an individual to receive contributions and make expenditures on behalf of this individual in determining whether or not the individual seeks elective office. Such committee shall terminate no later than December thirty-first of the year prior to the general election for the possible office;

[(18)] **(19)** "Fund-raising event", an event such as a dinner, luncheon, reception, coffee, testimonial, rally, auction or similar affair through which contributions are solicited or received by such means as the purchase of tickets, payment of attendance fees, donations for prizes or through the purchase of goods, services or political merchandise;

[(19)] **(20)** "In-kind contribution" or "in-kind expenditure", a contribution or expenditure in a form other than money;

[(20)] **(21)** "Labor organization", any organization of any kind, or any agency or employee representation committee or plan, in which employees participate and which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, or conditions of work;

[(21)] **(22)** "Loan", a transfer of money, property or anything of ascertainable monetary value in exchange for an obligation, conditional or not, to repay in whole or in part and which was contracted, used, or intended for use in an election campaign, or which was made or received by a committee or which was contracted, used, or intended to pay previously incurred campaign debts or obligations of a candidate or the debts or obligations of a committee;

[(22)] **(23)** "Person", an individual, group of individuals, corporation, partnership, committee, proprietorship, joint venture, any department, agency, board, institution or other entity of the state or any of its political subdivisions, union, labor organization, trade or professional or business association, association, political party or any executive committee thereof, or any other club or organization however constituted or any officer or employee of such entity acting in the person's official capacity;

[(23)] **(24)** "Political merchandise", goods such as bumper stickers, pins, hats, ties, jewelry, literature, or other items sold or distributed at a fund-raising event or to the general public for publicity or for the purpose of raising funds to be used in supporting or opposing a candidate for nomination or election or in supporting or opposing the qualification, passage or defeat of a ballot measure;

[(24)] **(25)** "Political party", a political party which has the right under law to have the names of its candidates listed on the ballot in a general election;

[(25)] **(26)** "Political party committee", a state, district, county, city, or area committee of a political party, as defined in section 115.603, which may be organized as a not-for-profit corporation under

Missouri law, and which committee is of continuing existence, and has the primary or incidental purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures to influence or attempt to influence the action of voters on behalf of the political party;

[(26)] (27) "Public office" or "office", any state, judicial, county, municipal, school or other district, ward, township, or other political subdivision office or any political party office which is filled by a vote of registered voters;

[(27)] (28) "Regular session", includes that period beginning on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January and ending following the first Friday after the second Monday in May;

[(28)] (29) "Write-in candidate", an individual whose name is not printed on the ballot but who otherwise meets the definition of candidate in subdivision (3) of this section.

130.021. 1. Every committee shall have a treasurer who, except as provided in subsection 10 of this section, shall be a resident of this state and reside in the district or county in which the committee sits. A committee may also have a deputy treasurer who, except as provided in subsection 10 of this section, shall be a resident of this state and reside in the district or county in which the committee sits, to serve in the capacity of committee treasurer in the event the committee treasurer is unable for any reason to perform the treasurer's duties.

2. Every candidate for offices listed in subsection 1 of section 130.016 who has not filed a statement of exemption pursuant to that subsection and every candidate for offices listed in subsection 6 of section 130.016 who is not excluded from filing a statement of organization and disclosure reports pursuant to subsection 6 of section 130.016 shall form a candidate committee and appoint a treasurer. Thereafter, all contributions on hand and all further contributions received by such candidate and any of the candidate's own funds to be used in support of the person's candidacy shall be deposited in a candidate committee depository account established pursuant to the provisions of subsection 4 of this section, and all expenditures shall be made through the candidate, treasurer or deputy treasurer of the person's candidate committee. Nothing in this chapter shall prevent a candidate from appointing himself or herself as a committee of one and serving as the person's own treasurer, maintaining the candidate's own records and filing all the reports and statements required to be filed by the treasurer of a candidate committee.

3. A candidate who has more than one candidate committee supporting the person's candidacy shall designate one of those candidate committees as the committee responsible for consolidating the aggregate contributions to all such committees under the candidate's control and direction as required by section 130.041.

4. (1) Every committee shall have a single official fund depository within this state which shall be a federally or state-chartered bank, a federally or state-chartered savings and loan association, or a federally or state-chartered credit union in which the committee shall open and thereafter maintain at least one official depository account in its own name. An "official depository account" shall be a checking account or some type of negotiable draft or negotiable order of withdrawal account, and the official fund depository shall, regarding an official depository account, be a type of financial institution which provides a record of deposits, cancelled checks or other cancelled instruments of withdrawal evidencing each transaction by maintaining copies within this state of such instruments and other transactions. All contributions which the committee receives in money, checks and other negotiable instruments shall be deposited in a

committee's official depository account. Contributions shall not be accepted and expenditures shall not be made by a committee except by or through an official depository account and the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate; **however, a committee may utilize a credit card or debit card in the name of the committee when authorized by the treasurer, deputy treasurer, or candidate, provided that all expenditures made by the committee through a credit card are paid through the official depository account.** Contributions received by a committee shall not be commingled with any funds of an agent of the committee, a candidate or any other person, except that contributions from a candidate of the candidate's own funds to the person's candidate committee shall be deposited to an official depository account of the person's candidate committee. No expenditure shall be made by a committee when the office of committee treasurer is vacant except that when the office of a candidate committee treasurer is vacant, the candidate shall be the treasurer until the candidate appoints a new treasurer.

(2) A committee treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate may withdraw funds from a committee's official depository account and deposit such funds in one or more savings accounts in the committee's name in any bank, savings and loan association or credit union within this state, and may also withdraw funds from an official depository account for investment in the committee's name in any certificate of deposit, bond or security. Proceeds from interest or dividends from a savings account or other investment or proceeds from withdrawals from a savings account or from the sale of an investment shall not be expended or reinvested, except in the case of renewals of certificates of deposit, without first redepositing such proceeds in an official depository account. Investments, other than savings accounts, held outside the committee's official depository account at any time during a reporting period shall be disclosed by description, amount, any identifying numbers and the name and address of any institution or person in which or through which it is held in an attachment to disclosure reports the committee is required to file. Proceeds from an investment such as interest or dividends or proceeds from its sale, shall be reported by date and amount. In the case of the sale of an investment, the names and addresses of the persons involved in the transaction shall also be stated. Funds held in savings accounts and investments, including interest earned, shall be included in the report of money on hand as required by section 130.041.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, funds held in candidate committees, campaign committees, debt service committees, and exploratory committees shall be liquid such that these funds shall be readily available for the specific and limited purposes allowed by law. These funds may be invested only in short-term treasury instruments or short-term bank certificates with durations of one year or less, or that allow the removal of funds at any time without any additional financial penalty other than the loss of interest income. Continuing committees, political party committees, and other committees such as out-of-state committees not formed for the benefit of any single candidate or ballot issue shall not be subject to the provisions of this subdivision. This subdivision shall not be interpreted to restrict the placement of funds in an interest-bearing checking account.

5. The treasurer or deputy treasurer acting on behalf of any person or organization or group of persons which is a committee by virtue of the definitions of committee in section 130.011 and any candidate who is not excluded from forming a committee in accordance with the provisions of section 130.016 shall file a statement of organization with the appropriate officer within twenty days after the person or organization becomes a committee but no later than the date for filing the first report required pursuant to the provisions of section 130.046. The statement of organization shall contain the following information:

(1) The name, mailing address and telephone number, if any, of the committee filing the statement of organization. If the committee is deemed to be affiliated with a connected organization as provided in subdivision (11) of section 130.011, the name of the connected organization, or a legally registered fictitious name which reasonably identifies the connected organization, shall appear in the name of the committee. If the committee is a candidate committee, the name of the candidate shall be a part of the committee's name;

(2) The name, mailing address and telephone number of the candidate;

(3) The name, mailing address and telephone number of the committee treasurer, and the name, mailing address and telephone number of its deputy treasurer if the committee has named a deputy treasurer;

(4) [The names, mailing addresses and titles of its officers, if any;

(5)] The name and mailing address of any connected organizations with which the committee is affiliated;

(5) The names, mailing addresses, and titles of its officers, if any;

(6) The name and mailing address of its depository, [and] the name and account number of each account the committee has in the depository, **and the account number and issuer of any credit card in the committee's name**. The account number of each account shall be redacted prior to disclosing the statement to the public;

(7) Identification of the major nature of the committee such as a candidate committee, campaign committee, continuing committee, political party committee, incumbent committee, or any other committee according to the definition of committee in section 130.011;

(8) In the case of the candidate committee designated in subsection 3 of this section, the full name and address of each other candidate committee which is under the control and direction of the same candidate, together with the name, address and telephone number of the treasurer of each such other committee;

(9) The name and office sought of each candidate supported or opposed by the committee;

(10) The ballot measure concerned, if any, and whether the committee is in favor of or opposed to such measure.

6. A committee may omit the information required in subdivisions (9) and (10) of subsection 5 of this section if, on the date on which it is required to file a statement of organization, the committee has not yet determined the particular candidates or particular ballot measures it will support or oppose.

7. A committee which has filed a statement of organization and has not terminated shall not be required to file another statement of organization, except that when there is a change in any of the information previously reported as required by subdivisions (1) to (8) of subsection 5 of this section an amended statement of organization shall be filed within twenty days after the change occurs, but no later than the date of the filing of the next report required to be filed by that committee by section 130.046.

8. Upon termination of a committee, a termination statement indicating dissolution shall be filed not later than ten days after the date of dissolution with the appropriate officer or officers with whom the committee's statement of organization was filed. The termination statement shall include: the distribution made of any remaining surplus funds and the disposition of any deficits; and the name, mailing address and telephone number of the individual responsible for preserving the committee's records and accounts as required in section 130.036.

9. Any statement required by this section shall be signed and attested by the committee treasurer or deputy treasurer, and by the candidate in the case of a candidate committee.

10. A committee domiciled outside this state shall be required to file a statement of organization and appoint a treasurer residing in this state and open an account in a depository within this state; provided that either of the following conditions prevails:

(1) The aggregate of all contributions received from persons domiciled in this state exceeds twenty percent in total dollar amount of all funds received by the committee in the preceding twelve months; or

(2) The aggregate of all contributions and expenditures made to support or oppose candidates and ballot measures in this state exceeds one thousand five hundred dollars in the current calendar year.

11. If a committee domiciled in this state receives a contribution of one thousand five hundred dollars or more from any committee domiciled outside of this state, the committee domiciled in this state shall file a disclosure report with the commission. The report shall disclose the full name, mailing address, telephone numbers and domicile of the contributing committee and the date and amount of the contribution. The report shall be filed within forty-eight hours of the receipt of such contribution if the contribution is received after the last reporting date before the election.

12. Each legislative and senatorial district committee shall retain only one address in the district it sits for the purpose of receiving contributions.

130.031. 1. No contribution of cash in an amount of more than one hundred dollars shall be made by or accepted from any single contributor for any election by a continuing committee, a campaign committee, a political party committee, an exploratory committee or a candidate committee.

2. [Except for expenditures from a petty cash fund which is established and maintained by withdrawals of funds from the committee's depository account and with records maintained pursuant to the record-keeping requirements of section 130.036 to account for expenditures made from petty cash,] Each expenditure of more than fifty dollars, except an in-kind expenditure, shall be made by check **signed by the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer, or candidate or by other electronic means authorized by the treasurer, deputy treasurer, or candidate** and drawn on the committee's depository [and signed by the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate] **or credit card in the name of the committee and authorized by the treasurer, deputy treasurer, or candidate**. A single expenditure [from a petty] **of** cash [fund] shall not exceed fifty dollars, and the aggregate of all expenditures [from a petty] **of** cash [fund] during a calendar year shall not exceed the lesser of five thousand dollars or ten percent of all expenditures made by the committee during that calendar year. [A check made payable to "cash" shall not be made except to replenish a petty cash fund.]

3. No contribution shall be made or accepted and no expenditure shall be made or incurred, directly or indirectly, in a fictitious name, in the name of another person, or by or through another person in such a manner as to conceal the identity of the actual source of the contribution or the actual recipient and purpose of the expenditure. Any person who receives contributions for a committee shall disclose to that committee's treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate the recipient's own name and address and the name and address of the actual source of each contribution such person has received for that committee. Any person who makes expenditures for a committee shall disclose to that committee's treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate such person's own name and address, the name and address of each person to whom an expenditure has been made and the amount and purpose of the expenditures the person has made for that committee.

4. No anonymous contribution of more than twenty-five dollars shall be made by any person, and no anonymous contribution of more than twenty-five dollars shall be accepted by any candidate or committee. If any anonymous contribution of more than twenty-five dollars is received, it shall be returned immediately to the contributor, if the contributor's identity can be ascertained, and if the contributor's identity cannot be ascertained, the candidate, committee treasurer or deputy treasurer shall immediately transmit that portion of the contribution which exceeds twenty-five dollars to the state treasurer and it shall escheat to the state.

5. The maximum aggregate amount of anonymous contributions which shall be accepted in any calendar year by any committee shall be the greater of five hundred dollars or one percent of the aggregate amount of all contributions received by that committee in the same calendar year. If any anonymous contribution is received which causes the aggregate total of anonymous contributions to exceed the foregoing limitation, it shall be returned immediately to the contributor, if the contributor's identity can be ascertained, and, if the contributor's identity cannot be ascertained, the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate shall immediately transmit the anonymous contribution to the state treasurer to escheat to the state.

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 5 of this section, contributions from individuals whose names and addresses cannot be ascertained which are received from a fund-raising activity or event, such as defined in section 130.011, shall not be deemed anonymous contributions, provided the following conditions are met:

(1) There are twenty-five or more contributing participants in the activity or event;

(2) The candidate, committee treasurer, deputy treasurer or the person responsible for conducting the activity or event makes an announcement that it is illegal for anyone to make or receive a contribution in excess of one hundred dollars unless the contribution is accompanied by the name and address of the contributor;

(3) The person responsible for conducting the activity or event does not knowingly accept payment from any single person of more than one hundred dollars unless the name and address of the person making such payment is obtained and recorded pursuant to the record-keeping requirements of section 130.036;

(4) A statement describing the event shall be prepared by the candidate or the treasurer of the committee for whom the funds were raised or by the person responsible for conducting the activity or event and attached to the disclosure report of contributions and expenditures required by section 130.041.

The following information to be listed in the statement is in addition to, not in lieu of, the requirements elsewhere in this chapter relating to the recording and reporting of contributions and expenditures:

- (a) The name and mailing address of the person or persons responsible for conducting the event or activity and the name and address of the candidate or committee for whom the funds were raised;
- (b) The date on which the event occurred;
- (c) The name and address of the location where the event occurred and the approximate number of participants in the event;
- (d) A brief description of the type of event and the fund-raising methods used;
- (e) The gross receipts from the event and a listing of the expenditures incident to the event;
- (f) The total dollar amount of contributions received from the event from participants whose names and addresses were not obtained with such contributions and an explanation of why it was not possible to obtain the names and addresses of such participants;
- (g) The total dollar amount of contributions received from contributing participants in the event who are identified by name and address in the records required to be maintained pursuant to section 130.036.

7. No candidate or committee in this state shall accept contributions from any out-of-state committee unless the out-of-state committee from whom the contributions are received has filed a statement of organization pursuant to section 130.021 or has filed the reports required by sections 130.049 and 130.050, whichever is applicable to that committee.

8. Any person publishing, circulating, or distributing any printed matter relative to any candidate for public office or any ballot measure shall on the face of the printed matter identify in a clear and conspicuous manner the person who paid for the printed matter with the words "Paid for by" followed by the proper identification of the sponsor pursuant to this section. For the purposes of this section, "printed matter" shall be defined to include any pamphlet, circular, handbill, sample ballot, advertisement, including advertisements in any newspaper or other periodical, sign, including signs for display on motor vehicles, or other imprinted or lettered material; but "printed matter" is defined to exclude materials printed and purchased prior to May 20, 1982, if the candidate or committee can document that delivery took place prior to May 20, 1982; any sign personally printed and constructed by an individual without compensation from any other person and displayed at that individual's place of residence or on that individual's personal motor vehicle; any items of personal use given away or sold, such as campaign buttons, pins, pens, pencils, book matches, campaign jewelry, or clothing, which is paid for by a candidate or committee which supports a candidate or supports or opposes a ballot measure and which is obvious in its identification with a specific candidate or committee and is reported as required by this chapter; and any news story, commentary, or editorial printed by a regularly published newspaper or other periodical without charge to a candidate, committee or any other person.

(1) In regard to any printed matter paid for by a candidate from the candidate's personal funds, it shall be sufficient identification to print the first and last name by which the candidate is known.

(2) In regard to any printed matter paid for by a committee, it shall be sufficient identification to print the name of the committee as required to be registered by subsection 5 of section 130.021 and the name and title of the committee treasurer who was serving when the printed matter was paid for.

(3) In regard to any printed matter paid for by a corporation or other business entity, labor organization, or any other organization not defined to be a committee by subdivision (7) of section 130.011 and not organized especially for influencing one or more elections, it shall be sufficient identification to print the name of the entity, the name of the principal officer of the entity, by whatever title known, and the mailing address of the entity, or if the entity has no mailing address, the mailing address of the principal officer.

(4) In regard to any printed matter paid for by an individual or individuals, it shall be sufficient identification to print the name of the individual or individuals and the respective mailing address or addresses, except that if more than five individuals join in paying for printed matter it shall be sufficient identification to print the words "For a list of other sponsors contact:" followed by the name and address of one such individual responsible for causing the matter to be printed, and the individual identified shall maintain a record of the names and amounts paid by other individuals and shall make such record available for review upon the request of any person. No person shall accept for publication or printing nor shall such work be completed until the printed matter is properly identified as required by this subsection.

9. Any broadcast station transmitting any matter relative to any candidate for public office or ballot measure as defined by this chapter shall identify the sponsor of such matter as required by federal law.

10. The provisions of subsection 8 or 9 of this section shall not apply to candidates for elective federal office, provided that persons causing matter to be printed or broadcast concerning such candidacies shall comply with the requirements of federal law for identification of the sponsor or sponsors.

11. It shall be a violation of this chapter for any person required to be identified as paying for printed matter pursuant to subsection 8 of this section or paying for broadcast matter pursuant to subsection 9 of this section to refuse to provide the information required or to purposely provide false, misleading, or incomplete information.

12. It shall be a violation of this chapter for any committee to offer chances to win prizes or money to persons to encourage such persons to endorse, send election material by mail, deliver election material in person or contact persons at their homes; except that, the provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to prohibit hiring and paying a campaign staff.

130.036. 1. The candidate, treasurer or deputy treasurer of a committee shall maintain accurate records and accounts on a current basis. The records and accounts shall be maintained in accordance with accepted normal bookkeeping procedures and shall contain the bills, receipts, deposit records, cancelled checks, **credit card statements, and records** and other detailed information necessary to prepare and substantiate any statement or report required to be filed pursuant to this chapter. Every person who acts as an agent for a committee in receiving contributions, making expenditures or incurring indebtedness for the committee shall, on request of that committee's treasurer, deputy treasurer or candidate, but in any event within five days after any such action, render to the candidate, committee treasurer or deputy treasurer a detailed account thereof, including names, addresses, dates, exact amounts and any other details required by the candidate, treasurer or deputy treasurer to comply with this chapter. Notwithstanding the

provisions of subsection 4 of section 130.021 prohibiting commingling of funds, an individual, trade or professional association, business entity, or labor organization which acts as an agent for a committee in receiving contributions may deposit contributions received on behalf of the committee to the agent's account within a financial institution within this state, for purposes of facilitating transmittal of the contributions to the candidate, committee treasurer or deputy treasurer. Such contributions shall not be held in the agent's account for more than five days after the date the contribution was received by the agent, and shall not be transferred to the account of any other agent or person, other than the committee treasurer.

2. Unless a contribution is rejected by the candidate or committee and returned to the donor or transmitted to the state treasurer within ten business days after its receipt, it shall be considered received and accepted on the date received, notwithstanding the fact that it was not deposited by the closing date of a reporting period.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 130.041 that only contributors of more than one hundred dollars shall be reported by name and address for all committees, the committee's records shall contain a listing of each contribution received by the committee, including those accepted and those which are rejected and either returned to the donor or transmitted to the state treasurer. Each contribution, regardless of the amount, shall be recorded by date received, name and address of the contributor and the amount of the contribution, except that any contributions from unidentifiable persons which are received through fund-raising activities and events as permitted in subsection 6 of section 130.031 shall be recorded to show the dates and amounts of all such contributions received together with information contained in statements required by subsection 6 of section 130.031. The procedure for recording contributions shall be of a type which enables the candidate, committee treasurer or deputy treasurer to maintain a continuing total of all contributions received from any one contributor.

4. [Notwithstanding the provisions of section 130.041 that certain expenditures need not be identified in reports by name and address of the payee,] The committee's records shall include a listing of each expenditure made and each contract, promise or agreement to make an expenditure, showing the date and amount of each transaction, the name and address of the person to whom the expenditure was made or promised, and the purpose of each expenditure made or promised.

5. In the case of a committee which makes expenditures for both the support or opposition of any candidate and the passage or defeat of a ballot measure, the committee treasurer shall maintain records segregated according to each candidate or measure for which the expenditures were made.

6. Records shall indicate which transactions, either contributions received or expenditures made, were cash transactions or in-kind transactions.

7. Any candidate who, pursuant to section 130.016, is exempt from the requirements to form a committee shall maintain records of each contribution received or expenditure made in support of his candidacy. Any other person or combination of persons who, although not deemed to be a committee according to the definition of the term "committee" in section 130.011, accepts contributions or makes expenditures, other than direct contributions from the person's own funds, for the purpose of supporting or opposing the election or defeat of any candidate or for the purpose of supporting or opposing the qualifications, passage or defeat of any ballot measure shall maintain records of each contribution received or expenditure made. The records shall include name, address and amount pertaining to each contribution

received or expenditure made and any bills, receipts, cancelled checks or other documents relating to each transaction.

8. All records and accounts of receipts and expenditures shall be preserved for at least three years after the date of the election to which the records pertain. Records and accounts regarding supplemental disclosure reports or reports not required pursuant to an election shall be preserved for at least three years after the date of the report to which the records pertain. Such records shall be available for inspection by the [campaign finance review board] **Missouri ethics commission** and its duly authorized representatives.

130.041. 1. Except as provided in subsection 5 of section 130.016, the candidate, if applicable, treasurer or deputy treasurer of every committee which is required to file a statement of organization, shall file a legibly printed or typed disclosure report of receipts and expenditures. The reports shall be filed with the appropriate officer designated in section 130.026 at the times and for the periods prescribed in section 130.046. Except as provided in sections 130.049 and 130.050, each report shall set forth:

(1) The full name, as required in the statement of organization pursuant to subsection 5 of section 130.021, and mailing address of the committee filing the report and the full name, mailing address and telephone number of the committee's treasurer and deputy treasurer if the committee has named a deputy treasurer;

(2) The amount of money, including cash on hand at the beginning of the reporting period;

(3) Receipts for the period, including:

(a) Total amount of all monetary contributions received which can be identified in the committee's records by name and address of each contributor. In addition, the candidate committee shall make a reasonable effort to obtain and report the employer, or occupation if self-employed or notation of retirement, of each person from whom the committee received one or more contributions which in the aggregate total in excess of one hundred dollars and shall make a reasonable effort to obtain and report a description of any contractual relationship over five hundred dollars between the contributor and the state if the candidate is seeking election to a state office or between the contributor and any political subdivision of the state if the candidate is seeking election to another political subdivision of the state;

(b) Total amount of all anonymous contributions accepted;

(c) Total amount of all monetary contributions received through fund-raising events or activities from participants whose names and addresses were not obtained with such contributions, with an attached statement or copy of the statement describing each fund-raising event as required in subsection 6 of section 130.031;

(d) Total dollar value of all in-kind contributions received;

(e) A separate listing by name and address and employer, or occupation if self-employed or notation of retirement, of each person from whom the committee received contributions, in money or any other thing of value, aggregating more than one hundred dollars, together with the date and amount of each such contribution;

(f) A listing of each loan received by name and address of the lender and date and amount of the loan. For each loan of more than one hundred dollars, a separate statement shall be attached setting forth the

name and address of the lender and each person liable directly, indirectly or contingently, and the date, amount and terms of the loan;

(4) Expenditures for the period, including:

(a) The total dollar amount of expenditures made by check drawn on the committee's depository;

(b) The total dollar amount of expenditures made in cash;

(c) The total dollar value of all in-kind expenditures made;

(d) **The total dollar amount of expenditures made via electronic means;**

(e) The full name and mailing address of each person to whom an expenditure of money or any other thing of value in the amount of more than one hundred dollars has been made, contracted for or incurred, together with the date, amount and purpose of each expenditure. Expenditures of one hundred dollars or less may be grouped and listed by categories of expenditure showing the total dollar amount of expenditures in each category, except that the report shall contain an itemized listing of each payment made to campaign workers by name, address, date, amount and purpose of each payment and the aggregate amount paid to each such worker;

~~[(e)]~~ (f) A list of each loan made, by name and mailing address of the person receiving the loan, together with the amount, terms and date;

(5) The total amount of cash on hand as of the closing date of the reporting period covered, including amounts in depository accounts and in petty cash fund;

(6) The total amount of outstanding indebtedness as of the closing date of the reporting period covered;

(7) The amount of expenditures for or against a candidate or ballot measure during the period covered and the cumulative amount of expenditures for or against that candidate or ballot measure, with each candidate being listed by name, mailing address and office sought. For the purpose of disclosure reports, expenditures made in support of more than one candidate or ballot measure or both shall be apportioned reasonably among the candidates or ballot measure or both. In apportioning expenditures to each candidate or ballot measure, political party committees and continuing committees need not include expenditures for maintaining a permanent office, such as expenditures for salaries of regular staff, office facilities and equipment or other expenditures not designed to support or oppose any particular candidates or ballot measures; however, all such expenditures shall be listed pursuant to subdivision (4) of this subsection;

(8) A separate listing by full name and address of any committee including a candidate committee controlled by the same candidate for which a transfer of funds or a contribution in any amount has been made during the reporting period, together with the date and amount of each such transfer or contribution;

(9) A separate listing by full name and address of any committee, including a candidate committee controlled by the same candidate from which a transfer of funds or a contribution in any amount has been received during the reporting period, together with the date and amount of each such transfer or contribution;

(10) Each committee that receives a contribution which is restricted or designated in whole or in part by the contributor for transfer to a particular candidate, committee or other person shall include a statement of the name and address of that contributor in the next disclosure report required to be filed after receipt of such contribution, together with the date and amount of any such contribution which was so restricted or designated by that contributor, together with the name of the particular candidate or committee to whom such contribution was so designated or restricted by that contributor and the date and amount of such contribution.

2. For the purpose of this section and any other section in this chapter except sections 130.049 and 130.050 which requires a listing of each contributor who has contributed a specified amount, the aggregate amount shall be computed by adding all contributions received from any one person during the following periods:

(1) In the case of a candidate committee, the period shall begin on the date on which the candidate became a candidate according to the definition of the term "candidate" in section 130.011 and end at 11:59 p.m. on the day of the primary election, if the candidate has such an election or at 11:59 p.m. on the day of the general election. If the candidate has a general election held after a primary election, the next aggregating period shall begin at 12:00 midnight on the day after the primary election day and shall close at 11:59 p.m. on the day of the general election. Except that for contributions received during the thirty-day period immediately following a primary election, the candidate shall designate whether such contribution is received as a primary election contribution or a general election contribution;

(2) In the case of a campaign committee, the period shall begin on the date the committee received its first contribution and end on the closing date for the period for which the report or statement is required;

(3) In the case of a political party committee or a continuing committee, the period shall begin on the first day of January of the year in which the report or statement is being filed and end on the closing date for the period for which the report or statement is required; except, if the report or statement is required to be filed prior to the first day of July in any given year, the period shall begin on the first day of July of the preceding year.

3. The disclosure report shall be signed and attested by the committee treasurer or deputy treasurer and by the candidate in case of a candidate committee.

4. The words "consulting or consulting services, fees, or expenses", or similar words, shall not be used to describe the purpose of a payment as required in this section. The reporting of any payment to such an independent contractor shall be on a form supplied by the appropriate officer, established by the ethics commission and shall include identification of the specific service or services provided including, but not limited to, public opinion polling, research on issues or opposition background, print or broadcast media production, print or broadcast media purchase, computer programming or data entry, direct mail production, postage, rent, utilities, phone solicitation, or fund raising, and the dollar amount prorated for each service.

427.300. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Commercial Financing Disclosure Law".

2. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Account";

(a) Includes:

a. A right to payment of a monetary obligation, regardless of whether earned by performance, for one of the following:

(i) Property that has been or is to be sold, leased, licensed, assigned, or otherwise disposed of;

(ii) Services rendered or to be rendered;

(iii) A policy of insurance issued or to be issued;

(iv) A secondary obligation incurred or to be incurred;

(v) Energy provided or to be provided;

(vi) The use or hire of a vessel under a charter or other contract;

(vii) Arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card; or

(viii) As winnings in a lottery or other game of chance operated or sponsored by a state, governmental unit of a state, or person licensed or authorized to operate the game by a state or governmental unit of a state; and

b. Health-care-insurance receivables; and

(b) Does not include:

a. Rights to payment evidenced by chattel paper or an instrument;

b. Commercial tort claims;

c. Deposit accounts;

d. Investment property;

e. Letter-of-credit rights or letters of credit; or

f. Rights to payment for moneys or funds advanced or sold, other than rights arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or information contained on or for use with the card;

(2) "Accounts receivable purchase transaction", any transaction in which the business forwards or otherwise sells to the provider all or a portion of the business's accounts or payment intangibles at a discount to their expected value. The provider's characterization of an accounts receivable purchase transaction as a purchase is conclusive that the accounts receivable purchase transaction is not a loan or a transaction for the use, forbearance, or detention of money;

(3) "Broker", any person who, for compensation or the expectation of compensation, obtains a commercial financing transaction or an offer for a commercial financing transaction from a third party that would, if executed, be binding upon that third party and communicates that offer to a business located

in this state. The term broker excludes a provider, or any individual or entity whose compensation is not based or dependent on the terms of the specific commercial financing transaction obtained or offered;

(4) "Business", an individual or group of individuals, sole proprietorship, corporation, limited liability company, trust, estate, cooperative, association, or limited or general partnership engaged in a business activity;

(5) "Business purpose transaction", any transaction where the proceeds are provided to a business or are intended to be used to carry on a business and not for personal, family, or household purposes. For purposes of determining whether a transaction is a business purpose transaction, the provider may rely on any written statement of intended purpose signed by the business. The statement may be a separate statement or may be contained in an application, agreement, or other document signed by the business or the business owner or owners;

(6) "Commercial financing facility", a provider's plan for purchasing multiple accounts receivable from the recipient over a period of time pursuant to an agreement that sets forth the terms and conditions governing the use of the facility;

(7) "Commercial financing transaction", any commercial loan, accounts receivable purchase transaction, commercial open-end credit plan or each to the extent the transaction is a business purpose transaction;

(8) "Commercial loan", a loan to a business, whether secured or unsecured;

(9) "Commercial open-end credit plan", commercial financing extended by any provider under a plan in which:

(a) The provider reasonably contemplates repeat transactions; and

(b) The amount of financing that may be extended to the business during the term of the plan, up to any limit set by the provider, is generally made available to the extent that any outstanding balance is repaid;

(10) "Depository institution", any of the following:

(a) A bank, trust company, or industrial loan company doing business under the authority of, or in accordance with, a license, certificate, or charter issued by the United States, this state, or any other state, district, territory, or commonwealth of the United States that is authorized to transact business in this state;

(b) A federally chartered savings and loan association, federal savings bank, or federal credit union that is authorized to transact business in this state; or

(c) A savings and loan association, savings bank, or credit union organized under the laws of this or any other state that is authorized to transact business in this state;

(11) "General intangible", any personal property, including things in action, other than accounts, chattel paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts, documents, goods, instruments, investment property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money, and oil, gas, or other minerals before extraction. General intangible also includes payment intangibles and software;

(12) "Payment intangible", a general intangible under which the account debtor's principal obligation is a monetary obligation;

(13) "Provider", a person who consummates more than five commercial financing transactions to a business located in this state in any calendar year. Provider also includes a person that enters into a written agreement with a depository institution to arrange for the extension of a commercial financing transaction by the depository institution to a business via an online lending platform administered by the person. The fact that a provider extends a specific offer for a commercial financing transaction on behalf of a depository institution shall not be construed to mean that the provider engaged in lending or financing or originated that loan or financing.

3. (1) A provider that consummates a commercial financing transaction shall disclose the terms of the commercial financing transaction as required by this section. The disclosures shall be provided at or before consummation of the transaction. Only one disclosure is required for each commercial financing transaction, and a disclosure is not required as a result of the modification, forbearance, or change to a consummated commercial financing transaction.

(2) A provider shall disclose the following in connection with each commercial financing transaction:

(a) The total amount of funds provided to the business under the terms of the commercial financing transaction agreement. This disclosure shall be labeled "Total Amount of Funds Provided";

(b) The total amount of funds disbursed to the business under the terms of the commercial financing transaction, if less than the total amount of funds provided, as a result of any fees deducted or withheld at disbursement and any amount paid to a third party on behalf of the business. This disclosure shall be labeled "Total Amount of Funds Disbursed";

(c) The total amount to be paid to the provider pursuant to the commercial financing transaction agreement. This disclosure shall be labeled "Total of Payments";

(d) The total dollar cost of the commercial financing transaction under the terms of the agreement, derived by subtracting the total amount of funds provided from the total of payments. This calculation shall include any fees or charges deducted by the provider from the "Total Amount of Funds Provided". This disclosure shall be labeled "Total Dollar Cost of Financing";

(e) The manner, frequency, and amount of each payment. This disclosure shall be labeled "Payments". If the payments may vary, the provider shall instead disclose the manner, frequency, and the estimated amount of the initial payment labeled "Estimated Payments" and the commercial financing transaction agreement shall include a description of the methodology for calculating any variable payment and the circumstances when payments may vary;

(f) A statement of whether there are any costs or discounts associated with prepayment of the commercial financing product including a reference to the paragraph in the agreement that creates the contractual rights of the parties related to prepayment. This disclosure shall be labeled "Prepayment"; and

(3) A provider that consummates a commercial financing facility may provide disclosures of this subsection which are based on an example of a transaction that could occur under the agreement. The example shall be based on an accounts receivable total face amount owed of ten thousand dollars. Only one disclosure is required for each commercial financing facility, and a disclosure is not required as result

of a modification, forbearance, or change to the facility. A new disclosure is not required each time accounts receivable are purchased under the facility.

4. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the following:

(1) A provider that is a depository institution or a subsidiary or affiliate;

(2) A provider that is a service corporation to a depository institution that is:

(a) Owned and controlled by a depository institution; and

(b) Regulated by a federal banking agency;

(3) A provider that is a lender regulated under the federal Farm Credit Act, 12 U.S.C. Section 2001, et seq.;

(4) A commercial financing transaction that is:

(a) Secured by real property;

(b) A lease; or

(c) A purchase money obligation that is incurred as all or part of the price of the collateral or for value given to enable the business to acquire rights in or the use of the collateral if the value is in fact so used;

(5) A commercial financing transaction in which the recipient is a motor vehicle dealer or an affiliate of such a dealer, or a vehicle rental company, or an affiliate of such a company, pursuant to a commercial loan or commercial open-end credit plan of at least fifty thousand dollars or a commercial financing transaction offered by a person in connection with the sale or lease of products or services that such person manufactures, licenses, or distributes, or whose parent company or any of its directly or indirectly owned and controlled subsidiaries manufactures, licenses, or distributes;

(6) A commercial financing transaction that is a factoring transaction, purchase, sale, advance, or similar of accounts receivable owed to a health care provider because of a patient's personal injury treated by the health care provider;

(7) A provider that is licensed as a money transmitter in accordance with a license, certificate, or charter issued by this state or any other state, district, territory, or commonwealth of the United States;

(8) A provider that consummates no more than five commercial financing transactions in this state in a twelve-month period; [or]

(9) A commercial financing transaction of more than five hundred thousand dollars; **or**

(10) A commercial financing product that is a premium finance agreement, as defined in subdivision (3) of section 364.100, offered or entered into by a provider that is a registered premium finance company.

5. (1) No person shall engage in business as a broker within this state for compensation, unless prior to conducting such business, the person has filed a registration with the division of finance within the department of commerce and insurance and has on file a good and sufficient bond as specified in this

subsection. The registration shall be effective upon receipt by the division of finance of a completed registration form and the required registration fee, and shall remain effective until the time of renewal.

(2) After filing an initial registration form, a broker shall file, on or before January thirty-first of each year, a renewal registration form along with the required renewal registration fee.

(3) The broker shall pay a one-hundred-dollar registration fee upon the filing of an initial registration and a fifty-dollar renewal registration fee upon the filing of a renewal registration.

(4) The registration form required by this subsection shall include the following:

(a) The name of the broker;

(b) The name in which the broker is transacted if different from that stated in paragraph (a) of this subdivision;

(c) The address of the broker's principal office, which may be outside this state;

(d) Whether any officer, director, manager, operator, or principal of the broker has been convicted of a felony involving an act of fraud, dishonesty, breach of trust, or money laundering; and

(e) The name and address in this state of a designated agent upon whom service of process may be made.

(5) If information in a registration form changes or otherwise becomes inaccurate after filing, the broker shall not be required to file a further registration form prior to the time of renewal.

(6) Every broker shall obtain a surety bond issued by a surety company authorized to do business in this state. The amount of the bond shall be ten thousand dollars. The bond shall be in favor of the state of Missouri. Any person damaged by the broker's breach of contract or of any obligation arising therefrom, or by any violation of this section, may bring an action against the bond to recover damages suffered. The aggregate liability of the surety shall be only for actual damages and in no event shall exceed the amount of the bond.

(7) Employees regularly employed by a broker who has complied with this subsection shall not be required to file a registration or obtain a surety bond when acting within the scope of their employment for the broker.

6. (1) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of five hundred dollars per incident, not to exceed twenty thousand dollars, for all aggregated violations arising from the use of the transaction documentation or materials found to be in violation of this section. Any person who violates any provision of this section after receiving written notice of a prior violation from the attorney general shall be punished by a fine of one thousand dollars per incident, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, for all aggregated violations arising from the use of the transaction documentation or materials found to be in violation of this section.

(2) Violation of any provision of this section shall not affect the enforceability or validity of the underlying agreement.

(3) This section shall not create a private right of action against any person or other entity based upon compliance or noncompliance with its provisions.

(4) Authority to enforce compliance with this section is vested exclusively in the attorney general of this state.

7. The requirements of subsections 3 and 5 of this section shall take effect upon either:

(1) Six months after the division of finance finalizes promulgating rules, if the division intends to promulgate rules; or

(2) February 28, 2025, if the division does not intend to promulgate rules.

8. The division of finance may promulgate rules implementing this section. If the division of finance intends to promulgate rules, it shall declare its intent to do so no later than February 28, 2025. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2024, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 9

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 98, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"362.424. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Bank", includes any state or federally chartered bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association providing banking services to customers;

(2) "Trusted contact", any adult person designated by a bank customer that a bank may contact in the event of an emergency or loss of contact with the customer, or suspected third party fraud or financial exploitation targeting the customer.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any bank may report suspected fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting any of its customers to a federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency or any appropriate public protective agency and shall be immune from civil liability in doing so.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any bank, on a voluntary basis, may offer a trusted contact program to customers who may designate one or more trusted contacts for the bank to contact in the event a customer is not responsive to bank communications, the bank is presented with an urgent matter or emergency involving the customer and the bank is unable to locate the customer, or the bank suspects fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting the customer or the account has been deemed dormant and the bank is attempting to verify the status

and location of the customer. The bank may establish such procedures, requirements, and forms as it deems appropriate and necessary should the bank opt to implement a trusted contact program.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any bank may voluntarily offer customers an account with convenience and security features that set transaction limits and permit limited access to view account activity for one or more trusted contacts designated by the customer.

5. No bank shall be liable for the actions of a trusted contact.

6. No bank shall be liable for declining to interact with a trusted contact when the bank, in good faith and exercising reasonable care, determines that a trusted contact is not acting in the best interests of the customer.

7. A person designated by a customer as a trusted contact who acts in good faith and exercises reasonable care shall be immune from liability.

8. A customer may withdraw any appointment of a person as a trusted contact at any time and any trusted contact may withdraw from status as a trusted contact at any time. The bank may require such documentation or verification as it deems necessary to establish the withdrawal or termination of a trusted contact.

9. No bank shall be civilly liable for implementing or not implementing or for actions or omissions related to providing or administering a trusted contact program.

370.245. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Credit union", any state or federally chartered credit union providing financial services to members;

(2) "Trusted contact", any adult person designated by a credit union member that a credit union may contact in the event of an emergency or loss of contact with the member, or suspected third party fraud or financial exploitation targeting the member.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any credit union may report suspected fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting any of its members to a federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency or any appropriate public protective agency and shall be immune from civil liability in doing so.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any credit union, on a voluntary basis, may offer a trusted contact program to members who may designate one or more trusted contacts for the credit union to contact in the event a member is not responsive to credit union communications, the credit union is presented with an urgent matter or emergency involving the member and the credit union is unable to locate the member, or the credit union suspects fraudulent activity or financial exploitation targeting the member or the account has been deemed dormant and the credit union is attempting to verify the status and location of the member. The credit union may establish such procedures, requirements, and forms as it deems appropriate and necessary should the credit union opt to implement a trusted contact program.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any credit union may voluntarily offer members an account with convenience and security features that set transaction limits and permit limited access to view account activity for one or more trusted contacts designated by the member.

5. No credit union shall be liable for the actions of a trusted contact.

6. No credit union shall be liable for declining to interact with a trusted contact when the credit union, in good faith and exercising reasonable care, determines that a trusted contact is not acting in the best interests of the member."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

The following Bills were read the 2nd time and referred to the Committee indicated:

HB 709—General Laws.

HB 608—Insurance and Banking.

HCS for HB 918—General Laws.

HB 134—Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety.

HCS for HB 1264—Local Government, Elections and Pensions.

HB 200—Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy & the Environment.

HB 1041—Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics.

HB 757—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HCS for HB 736—Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 1284—Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety.

HCS for HB 326—Economic and Workforce Development.

HB 205—Local Government, Elections and Pensions.

HCS for HB 606—Education.

HB 837—Local Government, Elections and Pensions.

On motion of Senator Luetkemeyer, the Senate recessed until 6:30 p.m.

RECESS

The time of recess having expired, the Senate was called to order by Senator Bean.

President Pro Tem O'Laughlin assumed the Chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator Brown (26), Chair of the Committee on Economic and Workforce Development, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Economic and Workforce Development, to which was referred **HCS** for **HBs 1524** and **1580**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

Senator Bean assumed the Chair.

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HCS for **HB 2**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 2**, entitled:

**SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2**

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 2** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 2**, entitled:

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 2**

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 2** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 2** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Carter
Cierpiot	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
O'Laughlin	Roberts	Trent	Webber	Williams—26		

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting	Schroer
Washington—8						

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for **HB 3**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development, the several divisions, programs, and institutions of higher education included therein to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 3**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 3

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development, the several divisions, programs, and institutions of higher education included therein to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 3** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 3** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson
Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin
Roberts	Trent	Webber	Williams—25			

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting
Schroer—8						

Absent—Senator Washington—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for **HB 4**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Revenue, the Department of Transportation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 4**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Revenue, the Department of Transportation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 4** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 4** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson
Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin
Roberts	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—26		

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting
Schroer—8						

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for HB 5, with SCS, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Office of Administration, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Conservation, the Department of Public Safety, the Chief Executive's Office, and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for HCS for HB 5, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 5

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Office of Administration, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Conservation, the Department of Public Safety, the Chief Executive's Office, and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS for HCS for HB 5** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SCS for HCS for HB 5** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson
Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin
Roberts	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—26		

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting
Schroer—8						

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for HB 6, with SCS, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Conservation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the expenses, grants, refunds, distributions, and capital improvements projects involving the repair, replacement, and maintenance of state buildings and facilities of the Department of Natural Resources and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds, for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for HCS for HB 6, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 6

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Conservation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the expenses, grants, refunds, distributions, and capital improvements projects involving the repair, replacement, and maintenance of state buildings and facilities of the Department of Natural Resources and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds, for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS for HCS for HB 6** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 6**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 6

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Conservation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the expenses, grants, refunds, distributions, and capital improvements projects involving the repair, replacement, and maintenance of state buildings and facilities of the Department of Natural Resources and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds, for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 6** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 6** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting	Schroer	Trent	Washington	Webber
Williams—29						

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Moon	Nicola—5
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Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for **HB 7**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Economic Development, Department of Commerce and Insurance, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 7**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 7

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Economic Development, Department of Commerce and Insurance, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 7** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 7**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 7

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Economic Development, Department of Commerce and Insurance, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 7** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 7** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson
Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin
Roberts	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—26		

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting
Schroer—8						

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for HB 8, with SCS, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Public Safety and Department of National Guard and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for HCS for HB 8, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 8

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Public Safety and Department of National Guard and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS for HCS for HB 8** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 8**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 8

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Public Safety and Department of National Guard and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 8** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 8** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16)	Brown (26)
Burger	Carter	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson
Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley
Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting	Schroer	Trent
Washington	Webber	Williams—31				

NAYS—Senators

Coleman	Moon—2
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Absent—Senator Cierpiot—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for HB 9, with SCS, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Corrections, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for HCS for HB 9, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 9

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Corrections, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS for HCS for HB 9** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 9**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 9

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Corrections, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 9** be adopted.

Senator Coleman offered **SA 1**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 9, Page 7, Section 9.080, Line 7, by striking the number: “\$29,396,695” and inserting in lieu thereof the following number: “\$29,374,795”; and

Further amend section and bill totals accordingly.

Senator Coleman moved that the above amendment be adopted and requested a roll call vote be taken. She was joined in her request by Senators McCreery, Mosley, Nurrenbern, and Roberts.

SA 1 failed of adoption by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Beck	Coleman	Lewis	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
Roberts	Washington	Webber	Williams—11			

NAYS—Senators

Bean	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16)	Brown (26)	Burger
Carter	Cierpiot	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson
Hough	Hudson	Luetkemeyer	Moon	Nicola	O'Laughlin	Schnelting
Schroer—22						

Absent—Senator Trent—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

Senator Hough moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 9** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 9** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Carter
Cierpiot	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nicola
Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting	Schroer	Trent	Washington
Webber	Williams—30					

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Coleman	Moon—4
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Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for HB 10, with SCS, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Health and Senior Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for HCS for HB 10, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 10

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Health and Senior Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS for HCS for HB 10** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 10**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 10

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Health and Senior Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 10** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 10** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Carter
Cierpiot	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
O'Laughlin	Roberts	Schroer	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—28

NAYS—Senators

Brattin Brown (26)

Coleman

Moon

Nicola

Schnelting—6

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for HB 11, with SCS, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Social Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for HCS for HB 11, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 11

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Social Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS for HCS for HB 11** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 11**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 11

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Social Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS for SCS for HCS for HB 11** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 11** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough	Hudson
Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Roberts
Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—25			

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting
Schroer—8						

Absent—Senator Mosley—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for **HB 12**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Chief Executive's Office and Mansion, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorneys Retirement Systems, and the Judiciary and the Office of the State Public Defender, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the payment of salaries and mileage of members of the State Senate and the House of Representatives and contingent expenses of the General Assembly, including salaries and expenses of elective and appointive officers and necessary capital improvements expenditures; for salaries and expenses of members and employees and other necessary operating expenses of the Committee on Legislative Research, various joint committees, for the expenses of the interim committees established by the General Assembly, and for the Missouri State Capitol Commission, and to transfer money among certain funds, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 12**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 12

An Act to appropriate money for expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Chief Executive's Office and Mansion, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorneys Retirement Systems, and the Judiciary

and the Office of the State Public Defender, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the payment of salaries and mileage of members of the State Senate and the House of Representatives and contingent expenses of the General Assembly, including salaries and expenses of elective and appointive officers and necessary capital improvements expenditures; for salaries and expenses of members and employees and other necessary operating expenses of the Committee on Legislative Research, various joint committees, for the expenses of the interim committees established by the General Assembly, and for the Missouri State Capitol Commission, and to transfer money among certain funds, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 12** be adopted.

Senator Hough offered **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 12**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 12

An Act to appropriate money for expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Chief Executive's Office and Mansion, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorneys Retirement Systems, and the Judiciary and the Office of the State Public Defender, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the payment of salaries and mileage of members of the State Senate and the House of Representatives and contingent expenses of the General Assembly, including salaries and expenses of elective and appointive officers and necessary capital improvements expenditures; for salaries and expenses of members and employees and other necessary operating expenses of the Committee on Legislative Research, various joint committees, for the expenses of the interim committees established by the General Assembly, and for the Missouri State Capitol Commission, and to transfer money among certain funds, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Senator Hough moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 12** be adopted.

Senator Brattin offered **SA 1**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 12, Page 13, Section 12.305, Lines 3-6, by striking all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“Personal Service

From General Revenue Fund (1101) (Not to exceed 7 F.T.E.)\$280,000”; and

Further amend section and bill totals accordingly.

Senator Brattin moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion failed.

Senator Hough moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 12** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SS** for **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 12** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
O'Laughlin	Roberts	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—27	

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting	Schroer—7
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Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for **HB 13**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for real property leases, related services, utilities, systems furniture, structural modifications, and related expenses for the several departments of state government and the divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 13**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 13

An Act to appropriate money for real property leases, related services, utilities, systems furniture, structural modifications, and related expenses for the several departments of state government and the divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 13** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 13** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Carter
Cierpiot	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
O'Laughlin	Roberts	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—27	

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Coleman	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting	Schroer—7
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Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

HCS for **HB 17**, with **SCS**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for capital improvement and other purposes for the several departments and offices of state government and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up by Senator Hough.

SCS for **HCS** for **HB 17**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 17

An Act to appropriate money for capital improvement and other purposes for the several departments and offices of state government and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri for the period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

Was taken up.

Senator Hough moved that **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 17** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hough, **SCS** for **HCS** for **HB 17** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brown (16)	Burger	Cierpiot
Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hough
Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Mosley	Nurrenbern
O'Laughlin	Roberts	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—27	

NAYS—Senators

Brattin	Brown (26)	Carter	Moon	Nicola	Schnelting	Schroer—7
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Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Hough, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Hough moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

RESOLUTIONS

Senator Bernskoetter offered Senate Resolution No. 425, regarding Angela Kaye O'Brien, Jefferson City, which was adopted.

Senator Burger offered Senate Resolution No. 426, regarding Taylor Nothdurft, which was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Senator Cierpiot introduced to the Senate, Chase Blasi, Wichita.

Senator Gregory (21) introduced to the Senate, Paige Keith; and Orrick High School Government class, Orrick.

Senator Burger introduced to the Senate, 25 students from St. Augustine School, Kelso; and St. Henry School, Charleston.

Senator Brattin introduced to the Senate, Ava, Saige and Ella McLain; and Tori Good, Pleasant Hill.

Senator Nicola introduced to the Senate, Storm and Lance Dillenscheinder; Elisa and Martain Brietebach.

Senator Carter introduced to the Senate, Carolina and Jeff Neal, Joplin

On motion of Senator Luetkemeyer, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

SENATE CALENDAR

SIXTIETH DAY—WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025

FORMAL CALENDAR

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 506-Schroer
SB 196-Moon
SB 100-Cierpiot
SB 83-Burger, with SCS
SB 85-Nicola, with SCS

SB 162-Schnelting
SB 586-Hough
SB 753-Hough
SJR 47, 30 & 10-Carter, with SCS

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

1. HB 225-Myers, with SCS (Brown (16))
(In Fiscal Oversight)
2. HCS for HB 1175 (Brattin)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
3. HB 618-Stinnett (Brown (26))
(In Fiscal Oversight)
4. HB 269-Shields (Hough)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
5. HB 262-Brown, C. (16) (Brattin)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
6. HCS for HB 1346, with SCS (Gregory (21))
(In Fiscal Oversight)
7. HCS for HBs 799, 334, 424 & 1069,
with SCS (Fitzwater) (In Fiscal Oversight)
8. HB 1086-Brown, C. (16), with SCS
(Brown (26)) (In Fiscal Oversight)

9. HB 121-Murphy, with SCS (Coleman)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
10. HCS for HBs 177 & 469 (Carter)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
11. HB 147-Hovis, with SCS (Black)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
12. HCS for HB 169 (Bean)
13. HB 233-Gallick, with SCS (Brattin)
14. HCS for HBs 44 & 426, with
SCS (Gregory (21))
15. HB 199-Falkner, with SCS (Black)
16. HCS for HB 999 (Nicola)
17. HCS for HBs 1524 & 1580 (Roberts)

INFORMAL CALENDAR

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 5-Cierpiot
SB 6-Cierpiot
SB 8-Bernskoetter
SB 14-Brown (16)
SB 23-Brattin, with SCS
SB 31-Beck

SB 45-Fitzwater and Carter
SB 46-Trent and Coleman
SBs 52 & 44-Schroer and Carter, with SCS,
SS for SCS & SA 3 (pending)
SB 54-Schroer, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 3
(pending)

SB 58-Carter and Moon, with SCS
 SB 62-Brown (26), with SCS
 SB 69-Henderson, with SS, SA 1 &
 SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)
 SB 77-Schnelting, et al, with SS, SA 1 &
 SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)
 SB 84-Burger
 SB 87-Nicola, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 1
 (pending)
 SB 99-Crawford, with SCS
 SBs 101 & 64-Cierpiot, with SCS
 SB 104-Bernskoetter, with SCS

SB 107-Brown (16) and Black, with SS (pending)
 SB 185-Cierpiot
 SB 190-Brown (16) and Gregory (21),
 with SS & SA 2 (pending)
 SBs 215 & 70-Trent, with SCS
 SB 217-Black, with SCS
 SB 223-Coleman
 SB 225-Coleman
 SB 230-Brown (26)
 SB 240-Burger, with SS & SA 1 (pending)
 SB 485-Schroer and Schnelting
 SJR 62-Cierpiot

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HB 68-Overcast (Trent)
 HCS for HB 75 (Schnelting)
 SS#2 for HB 419-Mayhew (Crawford)
 (In Fiscal Oversight)
 HCS#2 for HBs 567, 546, 758 & 958,
 with SS#2, SA 1 & SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)
 (Bernskoetter)

HCS for HB 711, with SCS (Trent)
 HB 742-Baker, with SCS, SS for SCS &
 SA 1 (pending) (Brattin)
 SS for SCS for HB 754-Oehlerking
 (Crawford) (In Fiscal Oversight)
 HB 939-Jones (12) (Brown (26))

SENATE BILLS WITH HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SS for SB 7-Bernskoetter, with HCS,
 as amended
 SS for SB 67-Henderson, with HCS, as amended

SS for SCS for SB 98-Crawford, with HA 1,
 HA 2, HA 3, HA 4, HA 5, HA 6, HA 7,
 HA 8 & HA 9

BILLS IN CONFERENCE AND BILLS CARRYING REQUEST MESSAGES

In Conference

SS for SB 28-Bean, with HA 1, HA 2,
 HA 1 to HA 3, HA 3, as amended, & HA 4
 SS for SCS for SBs 81 & 174-Gregory (21),
 with HCS, as amended

HCS for HBs 595 & 343, with SS,
 as amended (Schroer)

BILLS IN CONFERENCE AND BILLS
CARRYING REQUEST MESSAGES

Requests to Recede or Grant Conference

SS for SCS for SB 68-Henderson, with HCS,
as amended

RESOLUTIONS

SR 18-May
SR 32-Moon

SR 39-Nurrenbern

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