

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# SENATE BILL NO. 1470

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 2.040, 2.050, 2.060, 3.010, 3.110, 3.125, 3.140, 3.142, 23.020, 23.040, and 23.070, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eleven new sections relating to the duties and functions of the joint committee on legislative research.

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

Section A. Sections 2.040, 2.050, 2.060, 3.010, 3.110,  
2 3.125, 3.140, 3.142, 23.020, 23.040, and 23.070, RSMo, are  
3 repealed and eleven new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be  
4 known as sections 2.040, 2.050, 2.060, 3.010, 3.110, 3.125,  
5 3.140, 3.142, 23.020, 23.040, and 23.070, to read as follows:

2.040. The joint committee on legislative research  
2 shall provide copies of, **or make available in a web-based**  
3 **electronic format, or both,** all laws, measures and  
4 resolutions duly enacted by the general assembly and all  
5 amendments to the constitution and all measures approved by  
6 the people since the last publication of the session laws  
7 pursuant to section 2.030, giving the date of the approval  
8 or adoption thereof. The joint committee on legislative  
9 research shall headnote, collate, index the laws,  
10 resolutions and constitutional amendments, and compare the  
11 proof sheets of the printed copies with the original rolls.  
12 The revisor of statutes shall insert therein an attestation  
13 under the revisor's hand that the revisor has compared the  
14 laws, resolutions, constitutional amendments and measures

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

15 therein contained with the original rolls and copies in the  
16 office of the secretary of state and that the same are true  
17 copies of such laws, measures, resolutions and  
18 constitutional amendments as the same appear in the original  
19 rolls in the office of the secretary of state. The joint  
20 committee on legislative research shall cause the completed  
21 laws, resolutions and constitutional amendments to be  
22 printed and bound, **or produced in a web-based electronic**  
23 **format, or both.**

2.050. The complete printed copies of laws,  
2 resolutions, constitutional amendments and measures when  
3 printed and bound shall be delivered to the revisor of  
4 statutes who shall distribute [one copy without cost to each  
5 member of the general assembly and one copy each, without  
6 cost, to every county circuit clerk, circuit judge,  
7 associate circuit judge, prosecuting attorney, and sheriff.  
8 One copy each, without cost, shall be delivered to other  
9 officers, institutions and agencies who are entitled to  
10 copies of the Revised Statutes of Missouri under section  
11 3.130, if requested] **such copies in accordance with section**  
12 **3.130.**

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

3.010. [Only upon the adoption of a concurrent  
2 resolution by the general assembly] **In accordance with**  
3 **Article III, Section 34 of the Constitution of Missouri,** the

4 revised statutes of Missouri shall be printed, published and  
5 distributed in as many volumes as the committee on  
6 legislative research (herein called "the committee") shall  
7 determine, and such publication shall be under the direction  
8 and supervision of the committee. **If an appropriation is to**  
9 **be provided for a general republication of the revised**  
10 **statutes, the general assembly shall adopt a concurrent**  
11 **resolution for such general republication.** The [annotations  
12 or] supplements to the revised statutes of Missouri may be  
13 printed separately and without a concurrent resolution being  
14 adopted by the general assembly. The cost of printing,  
15 binding and delivery of such [publication] publications  
16 shall be paid from funds appropriated from the general  
17 revenue for that purpose **or, if no appropriation is provided**  
18 **for that purpose, from the statutory revision fund under**  
19 **section 3.142.**

3.110. The printing and publication of the revised  
2 statutes of Missouri, annotations thereto and supplements or  
3 pocket parts and the paper used therefor, [shall] **may** be  
4 obtained through the state director of the division of  
5 purchasing, as otherwise provided by law.

3.125. 1. The committee may publish annual or  
2 biennial cumulative or noncumulative supplements or pocket  
3 parts to the revised statutes of Missouri in lieu of  
4 complete editions thereof except at such times as complete  
5 editions are published. Any supplement or edition of pocket  
6 parts is subject in all respects to the provisions of this  
7 law relating to the publication of an edition of the revised  
8 statutes and the committee has the same powers and duties  
9 with respect to the publication thereof. When funds for the  
10 printing thereof are duly appropriated by the general  
11 assembly **or moneys in the statutory revision fund under**

12 **section 3.142 are available**, the committee shall cause to be  
13 classified, arranged, numbered and printed in either an  
14 edition of the revised statutes or in supplements or pocket  
15 parts thereto, in accordance with this chapter, all laws of  
16 a general nature adopted at any session of the general  
17 assembly.

18 2. The committee shall report to the general assembly  
19 whenever called upon, and shall prepare and submit to the  
20 general assembly such consolidation, revision and other  
21 matters relating to the statutes as can be completed from  
22 time to time.

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

3.142. 1. There is hereby established in the state  
2 treasury a revolving fund known as the "Statutory Revision  
3 Fund", and which shall receive funds paid to the revisor of  
4 statutes for sales of the revised statutes of Missouri or  
5 any supplement thereto, whether in printed, electronic,  
6 magnetic, or other form and funds received for any other  
7 service for which there is a fee charged by the committee on  
8 legislative research. The committee on legislative research  
9 shall determine the form and any fees or charges for the

10 statutes or services. The state treasurer shall be  
11 custodian of the fund and shall make disbursements from the  
12 fund for **the costs associated with general republication of**  
13 **the revised statutes of Missouri and its annual supplements**  
14 **if no specific appropriation is provided by the general**  
15 **assembly, and** enhancing or producing the electronic form of  
16 the revised statutes in a computer readable form, enhancing  
17 the electronic processing of computerized legislative  
18 drafting and such other purposes authorized by the joint  
19 committee on legislative research upon appropriation by the  
20 general assembly. Moneys in the fund may also be used at  
21 the direction of the committee on legislative research to  
22 provide the revised statutes of Missouri and any supplement  
23 thereto to public libraries of this state in a computer  
24 readable format for use by patrons of the libraries.

25 2. Any unexpended balance in the fund at the end of  
26 any biennium not to exceed twice the cost of providing the  
27 [annual supplement to] **general republication of** the revised  
28 statutes of Missouri is exempt from the provisions of  
29 section 33.080 relating to transfer of unexpended balances  
30 to the ordinary revenue fund.

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

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

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

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

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

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

23.070. The committee on legislative research shall  
2 meet within [ten] thirty days after the convening of each  
3 general assembly and organize by selecting a [chairman and a  
4 vice chairman] chairperson and vice chairperson, one of whom  
5 shall be a member of the senate and one of whom shall be a  
6 member of the house of representatives. [Until January of  
7 1985, the chairman shall be a member of the house. In 1985  
8 the chairman shall be a member of the senate. In 1987 the  
9 chairman shall be a member of the house. The chairmanship]  
10 The chairpersonship and vice chairpersonship shall alternate

11 between members of the senate and house [each] **every** two  
12 years [after 1987]. The director shall serve as secretary  
13 to the committee on legislative research. Unless otherwise  
14 directed by the committee, [he] **the director** shall keep the  
15 records of the committee and be subject to the jurisdiction  
16 and order of the committee during the vacation or recess of  
17 the general assembly. The regular meeting place of the  
18 committee shall be in Jefferson City, Missouri, and after  
19 its inception and organization it shall regularly meet at  
20 least [once every three months] **twice a year**. A majority of  
21 the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum and a  
22 majority of a quorum may act for the entire committee.  
23 Special meetings of the committee may be called at such time  
24 and place within the state as the [chairman] **chairperson**  
25 thereof designates.

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