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103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 67.990 and 67.993, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to senior citizens' services fund taxes.

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

Section A. Sections 67.990 and 67.993, RSMo, are repealed
2 and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as
3 sections 67.990 and 67.993, to read as follows:

67.990. 1. The governing body of any county or city
2 not within a county may, upon approval of a majority of the
3 qualified voters of such county or city voting thereon, levy
4 and collect a tax not to exceed **[five] ten** cents per one
5 hundred dollars of assessed valuation[, or in any county of
6 the first classification with more than eighty-five thousand
7 nine hundred but less than eighty-six thousand inhabitants,
8 the governing body may, upon approval of a majority of the
9 qualified voters of the county voting thereon, levy and
10 collect a tax not to exceed ten cents per one hundred
11 dollars of assessed valuation] upon all taxable property
12 within the county or city or for the purpose of providing
13 services to persons sixty years of age or older. The tax so
14 levied shall be collected along with other county or city
15 taxes, in the manner provided by law. All funds collected
16 for this purpose shall be deposited in a special fund for
17 the provision of services for persons sixty years of age or

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

older, and shall be used for no other purpose except those purposes authorized in sections 67.990 to 67.995. Deposits in the fund shall be expended only upon approval of the board of directors established in section 67.993, if in a county, and only in accordance with the fund budget approved by the county governing body.

2. The question of whether the tax authorized by this section shall be imposed shall be submitted in substantially the following form:

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Shall _____ (name of county/city) levy a tax of _____ cents per each one hundred dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of providing services to persons sixty years of age or older?

☐ YES

☐ NO

67.993. 1. Upon the approval of the tax authorized by section 67.990 by the voters of the county or city not within a county, the tax so approved shall be imposed upon all taxable property within the county or city and the proceeds therefrom shall be deposited in a special fund, to be known as the "Senior Citizens' Services Fund", which is hereby established within the county or city treasury. No moneys in the senior citizens' services fund shall be spent until the board of directors provided for in subsection 2 of this section has been appointed and has taken office.

2. Upon approval of the tax authorized by section 67.990 by the voters of the county or city, the governing body of the county or the mayor of the city shall appoint a board of directors consisting of seven directors, who shall be selected from the county or city at large and shall, as

16 nearly as practicable, represent the various groups to be
17 served by the board. Each director shall be a resident of
18 the county or city. Each director shall be appointed to
19 serve for a term of four years and until [his] a successor
20 is duly appointed and qualified; except that, of the
21 directors first appointed, one director shall be appointed
22 for a term of one year, two directors shall be appointed for
23 a term of two years, two directors shall be appointed for a
24 term of three years, and two directors shall be appointed
25 for a term of four years. Directors may be reappointed.
26 All vacancies on the board of directors shall be filled for
27 the remainder of the unexpired term by the governing body of
28 the county or mayor of the city. The directors shall not
29 receive any compensation for their services, but may be
30 reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in
31 the performance of their official duties from the moneys in
32 the senior citizens' services fund.

33 3. The administrative control and management of the
34 funds in the senior citizens' services fund and all programs
35 to be funded therefrom shall rest solely with the board of
36 directors appointed under subsection 2 of this section,
37 except, in counties, the budget for the senior citizens'
38 services fund shall be approved by the governing body of the
39 county prior to making of any payments from the fund in any
40 fiscal year. The board of directors shall use the funds in
41 the senior citizens' services fund to provide programs which
42 will improve the health, nutrition, and quality of life of
43 persons who are sixty years of age or older. The budget may
44 allocate funds for operational and capital needs to senior-
45 related programs in the county or city in which such
46 property taxes are collected. No funds in the senior
47 citizens' services fund may be used, directly or indirectly,

48 for any political purpose. In providing such services, the
49 board of directors may contract with any person to provide
50 services relating, in whole or in part, to the services
51 which the board itself may provide under this section, and
52 for such purpose may expend the tax proceeds derived from
53 the tax authorized by section 67.990.

54 4. The board of directors shall elect a [chairman]
55 **chair**, vice [chairman] **chair**, and such other officers as it
56 deems necessary; shall establish eligibility requirements
57 for the programs it furnishes; and shall do all other things
58 necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 67.990 to
59 67.995. A majority of the board of directors shall
60 constitute a quorum.

61 5. The board of directors, with the approval of the
62 governing body of the county or city, may accept any gift of
63 property or money for the use and benefit of the persons to
64 be served through the programs established and funded under
65 sections 67.990 to 67.995 and may sell or exchange any such
66 property so long as such sale or exchange is in the best
67 interests of the programs provided under sections 67.990 to
68 67.995 and the proceeds from such sale or exchange are used
69 exclusively to fund such programs. For a city not within a
70 county, the board of directors may solicit, accept, and
71 expend grants from private or public entities and enter into
72 agreements to effectuate such grants so long as the
73 transaction is in the best interest of the programs provided
74 by the board and the proceeds are used exclusively to fund
75 such programs.

76 6. (1) **Accreditation attained by a board of directors**
77 **established under this section shall be subject to the**
78 **following:**

79 (a) Such accreditation shall be through a statewide
80 nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the well-being
81 of older adults across the state and specifically supporting
82 senior citizens' services funding levied in such county;

83 (b) Such statewide nonprofit organization approving
84 the program and providing accreditation shall provide a
85 certificate of completion to each board of directors that
86 has completed the training program; and

87 (c) Accreditation shall be renewed on an annual basis.

88 (2) A board of directors that attains accreditation
89 under subdivision (1) of this subsection shall pay an annual
90 fee to such statewide nonprofit organization. Such fee
91 shall be an amount equal to one percent of the revenues
92 derived annually from the tax imposed under section 67.990.

93 (3) The state shall recognize accreditation attained
94 under subdivision (1) of this subsection as best-practice
95 training for board members to ensure transparency and proper
96 administration of the taxpayer moneys collected from the tax
97 imposed under section 67.990.

98 (4) A board of directors established after December
99 31, 2015, shall attain the accreditation described in
100 subdivision (1) of this subsection.

101 (5) A board of directors established before January 1,
102 2016, may attain the accreditation described in subdivision
103 (1) of this subsection.

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