

SENATE BILL NO. 867

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BECK.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 37.850, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to accessibility of certain educational financial information on the state accountability portal.

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

Section A. Section 37.850, RSMo, is repealed and one new
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 37.850,
3 to read as follows:

37.850. 1. The commissioner of administration shall
2 maintain the Missouri accountability portal established in
3 executive order 07-24 as a free, internet-based tool
4 allowing citizens to demand fiscal discipline and
5 responsibility.

6 2. The Missouri accountability portal shall consist of
7 an easy-to-search database of **the following information:**

8 (1) Financial transactions related to the purchase of
9 goods and services and the distribution of funds for state
10 programs;

11 (2) All bonds issued by any public institution of
12 higher education or political subdivision of this state or
13 its designated authority after August 28, 2013;

14 (3) All obligations issued or incurred pursuant to
15 section 99.820 by any political subdivision of this state or
16 its designated authority; [and]

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

17 (4) The revenue stream pledged to repay such bonds or
18 obligations; [and]

19 (5) All debt incurred by any public charter school; and

20 (6) The following financial information relating to
21 the Missouri empowerment scholarship accounts program
22 established in sections 135.712 to 135.719 and sections
23 166.700 to 166.720:

24 (a) The full name of the parent of each qualified
25 student for whom an empowerment scholarship account was
26 opened with each educational assistance organization;

27 (b) The total amount of money that has been awarded
28 from each educational assistance organization to each
29 parent's student, both by school year and the total
30 aggregate amount; and

31 (c) The total amount of money that has been remitted
32 from the empowerment scholarship account of each parent's
33 student to each qualified school, both by school year and
34 the total aggregate amount.

35 3. The Missouri accountability portal shall be updated
36 each state business day and maintained as the primary source
37 of information about the activity of Missouri's government.

38 4. Upon the conducting of a withholding or a release
39 of funds, the governor shall submit a report stating all
40 amounts withheld from the state's operating budget for the
41 current fiscal year, as authorized by Article IV, Section 27
42 of the Missouri Constitution which shall be:

43 (1) Conspicuously posted on the accountability portal
44 website;

45 (2) Searchable by the amounts withheld or released
46 from each individual fund; and

47 (3) Searchable by the total amount withheld or
48 released from the operating budget.

49 5. Every political subdivision of the state, including
50 public institutions of higher education but excluding school
51 districts, shall supply all information described in
52 subsection 2 of this section to the office of administration
53 within seven days of issuing or incurring such corresponding
54 bond or obligation. For all such bonds or obligations
55 issued or incurred prior to August 28, 2013, every such
56 political subdivision and public institution of higher
57 education shall have ninety days to supply such information
58 to the office of administration.

59 6. Every school district and public charter school
60 shall supply all information described in subsection 2 of
61 this section to the department of elementary and secondary
62 education within seven days of issuing such bond, or
63 incurring such debt. The department of elementary and
64 secondary education shall have forty-eight hours to deliver
65 such information to the office of administration. For all
66 such bonds issued or debt incurred prior to August 28, 2013,
67 every school district and public charter school shall have
68 ninety days to supply such information to the department of
69 elementary and secondary education. The department of
70 elementary and secondary education shall have forty-eight
71 hours to deliver such information to the office of
72 administration.

73 **7. Each educational assistance organization shall**
74 **supply all information described in subsection 2 of this**
75 **section to the state treasurer no later than July first and**
76 **January first of each year. The state treasurer shall have**
77 **forty-eight hours to deliver such information to the office**
78 **of administration.**

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