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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 37, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to the Missouri GIS advisory council.

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

Section A. Chapter 37, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto  
2 three new sections, to be known as sections 37.1300, 37.1310,  
3 and 37.1320, to read as follows:

**37.1300. For the purposes of sections 37.1300 to  
2 37.1330, the following terms mean:**

3 (1) "Council", the Missouri GIS advisory council  
4 established in section 37.1310;

5 (2) "Geographic information system (GIS)", a computer  
6 system for capturing, storing, checking, and displaying data  
7 related to positions on the Earth's surface that enables  
8 easily seeing, analyzing, and understanding patterns and  
9 relationships;

10 (3) "Geospatial", relating to or denoting data that is  
11 associated with a particular location;

12 (4) "Missouri Spatial Data Information Service" or  
13 "MSDIS", Missouri's primary spatial data clearinghouse  
14 responsible for collecting and distributing vector data,  
15 aerial photography, and light detection and ranging

16 elevation data that are generated, updated, and funded by  
17 state, local, and regional agencies and governments.

37.1310. There is hereby established within the office  
2 of administration the "Missouri GIS Advisory Council", which  
3 is charged with assisting and advising the state in ensuring  
4 the availability, implementation, and enhancement of a  
5 statewide geospatial data infrastructure common to all  
6 jurisdictions. The council shall be established within the  
7 information technology services division of the office of  
8 administration. The council shall serve to support the  
9 existing geospatial infrastructure within the state of  
10 Missouri and strive toward immediate access to statewide  
11 geospatial data for all citizens of this state, especially  
12 life-safety entities including NG9-1-1.

37.1320. 1. The council shall consist of members that  
2 represent a cross-section of subject matter experts striking  
3 a geographic balance from all regions across the state.  
4 Representation should at a minimum include:

5 (1) The commissioner of administration, or the  
6 commissioner's designee;

7 (2) The director of the department of conservation, or  
8 the director's designee;

9 (3) The director of the department of economic  
10 development, or the director's designee;

11 (4) The director of the department of health and  
12 senior services, or the director's designee;

13 (5) The director of the department of natural  
14 resources, or the director's designee;

15 (6) The adjutant general of the department of the  
16 national guard, or the adjutant general's designee;

17 (7) The director of the department of public safety,  
18 or the director's designee;

19           (8) The director of the department of transportation,  
20 or the director's designee;

21           (9) The director of the United States Geological  
22 Survey, or the director's designee;

23           (10) The chief of the United States Department of  
24 Agriculture - Natural Resource Conservation Service, or the  
25 chief's designee;

26           (11) The chair of the Missouri 911 service board, or  
27 the chair's designee;

28           (12) The director of the Missouri Spatial Data  
29 Information Service, or the director's designee;

30           (13) The director of the state land surveyor program,  
31 or the director's designee;

32           (14) The director of the National Geospatial Agency  
33 West, or the director's designee;

34           (15) The secretary of state, or the secretary's  
35 designee; and

36           (16) No less than fourteen citizens of Missouri,  
37 appointed by the commissioner of administration or the  
38 commissioner's designee. Such individuals shall represent  
39 federal, city, county, and local government; the private  
40 sector; public safety; licensed professional land surveyors;  
41 and academia.

42           2. By invitation of the council, additional subject  
43 matter experts may participate in activities as noncouncil  
44 members and do not require an appointment by the  
45 commissioner of administration.

46           3. Appointed members of the council shall serve two-  
47 year terms and shall serve until their successors are  
48 appointed. Vacancies on the council shall be filled in the  
49 same manner as the original appointment and such member  
50 appointed shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term.

51           4. The council shall convene, at a minimum, quarterly  
52 and as otherwise required by the commissioner of  
53 administration or the office of geospatial information.

54           5. The council shall designate from its members a  
55 chair and chair-elect for one-year terms and shall adopt  
56 written guidelines to govern the management of the council.

57           6. Each appointed member of the council shall serve  
58 without compensation but may be reimbursed for the actual  
59 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their  
60 duties as members of the council, subject to appropriations  
61 for the council.

62           7. The council shall designate from its members an  
63 executive secretary for the council, who shall maintain the  
64 records and decisions of the council's activities in  
65 accordance with state statute and shall be responsible for  
66 correspondence between the council and other agencies.

67           8. The council shall not collect any personally  
68 identifiable information of any individual person. For  
69 purposes of this subsection, the term "personally  
70 identifiable information" means information that can be used  
71 to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as  
72 name, social security number, or biometric data records,  
73 either alone or when combined with other personal or  
74 identifying information that is linked or linkable to a  
75 specific individual.

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