SECOND REGULAR SESSION [PERFECTED]

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 477

89TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, Parks and Tourism, January 20, 1998, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 477, adopted January 28, 1998.

Taken up for Perfection January 28, 1998. Bill declared Perfected and Ordered Printed.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 252, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to wild game donations.

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

Section A. Chapter 252, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 252.244, to read as follows:

- 252.244. 1. Any charitable, religious, fraternal or other not for profit organization may prepare or serve wild game, provided there shall be no charge for the wildlife served, in connection with:
 - (1) The organization's meetings;
 - (2) A fund-raising event; or
 - (3) Meals provided to indigent persons free of charge or at a reduced rate.
- 2. Except for venison donated or distributed pursuant to section 537.115, RSMo, an organization preparing or serving wild game shall visibly post at the entrance to the dining area a sign bearing the following message: "Public Notice: The wild game served at this facility has not been subject to state or federal inspection". The words of the message shall be written or printed in letters of not less than three-fourths of an inch high and three-fourths of an inch wide, and shall be readable.
- 3. Any individual or group of individuals may donate wild game, or collect and transport wild game to an organization pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, provided such wild game has been legally taken according to law and the rules and regulations relating to wildlife. Any wild game donated shall be accompanied by the name, address and phone number of the individual making such donation and shall be

affixed to either the individual package or the container holding more than one package.

- 4. In accordance with the rules and regulations relating to wildlife, any wild game that is captured or killed to prevent private property damage may be donated to any charitable organization approved by the department of conservation. The department shall maintain a list of approved organizations and shall make the list available upon request.
- 5. For purposes of this section, "wild game" shall include, but not be limited to, bear, deer, elk, hares, moose, rabbits, fox squirrels, black and gray squirrels, muskrat and game birds, except migratory birds regulated by the federal government, as defined by the rules and regulations relating to wildlife.

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