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AN ACT

To repeal section 174.500, RSMo 1994, relating to the West Plains Campus of Southwest Missouri State University, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the same subject.

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

Section A. Section 174.500, RSMo 1994, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 174.500, to read as follows:

174.500. 1. The board of regents of Southwest Missouri State University is authorized to continue the program of higher education at West Plains, Missouri, which was begun in 1963 and which shall be known as the "West Plains Campus of Southwest Missouri State University". Southwest Missouri State University may include an appropriation request for the branch facility at West Plains in its operating budget.

- 2. The coordinating board for higher education in cooperation with the board of regents shall develop a mission implementation plan for the campus at West Plains, Howell County, which is known as the "West Plains Campus of Southwest Missouri State University", and which shall be a teaching institution, offering one-year certificates, two-year associate degrees and credit and noncredit courses to both traditional and nontraditional students to meet the ongoing and emerging employer and educational needs of the citizens of the area served.
- 3. The West Plains Campus of Southwest Missouri State University shall be deemed to be a qualified college, university, or educational institution for the purposes of any higher education student loan, grant or scholarship program established pursuant to state law.

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