

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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SENATE BILL NO. 364

90TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR EHLMANN.

Read 1st time January 27, 1999, and 1,000 copies ordered printed.

Read 2nd time February 2, 1999, and referred to the Committee on Elections, Veterans' Affairs and Corrections.

Reported from the Committee March 8, 1999, with recommendation that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Taken up March 22, 1999. Read 3rd time and placed upon its final passage; bill passed.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 9, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to public holidays.

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

Section A. Chapter 9, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 9.130, to read as follows:

9.130. The third Friday of September of each year shall be known and is designated as "POW/MIA Recognition Day", and is set apart as a day acknowledging with special gratitude and profound respect those who paid for our freedom with their own freedom, and as a day for remembering with deep sorrow those whose fate has never been resolved. The people of the state of Missouri, and the educational, commercial, political, civic, religious and fraternal organizations of the state of Missouri are requested to devote some part of the day to solemn contemplation on the plight of those Americans who were held, and those who may still be held, as prisoners of war throughout our history and who endured the indignities and brutality of captivity without surrendering their devotion to duty, honor and country, and to remembering with compassion and concern the families who persevere in their quest to know the fate of their missing loved ones. The state of Missouri reaffirms its commitment to continue efforts to obtain the fullest possible accounting for every American, especially every Missourian, missing in service to our country, and pledge to their families to search unceasingly for information about those who have died and

those whose remains have not been recovered.

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