FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 921

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Civil and Administrative Law, April 11, 2001, with recommendation that the House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 921 Do Pass.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 33, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to state payroll checks.

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

Section A. Chapter 33, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 33.193, to read as follows:

33.193. 1. Any state payroll check issued to an employee of this state, or to an elected or appointed official of this state, shall, upon presentation of proof of identification by the presenter, be honored by any federally chartered bank, state-chartered bank, federally chartered savings and loan association, state-chartered savings and loan association, federally chartered credit union or state-chartered credit union located in this state, regardless of whether the holder of the state payroll check is a customer of the bank, savings and loan association or credit union. The bank, savings and loan association or credit union may charge the holder of the state payroll check an amount not greater than five dollars per payroll check for cashing payroll checks. This subsection shall be enforced by the Missouri division of finance for state-chartered institutions and by the Missouri attorney general for federally chartered institutions.

2. Any bank, savings and loan association or credit union which violates the provisions of this section may be subject to civil penalties in an amount not to exceed five thousand dollars for each violation. Such action may be brought by the employee privately or by the attorney general on behalf of the state. In addition, the attorney general may seek an injunction to prohibit a bank, savings and loan association or credit union from refusing to cash payroll checks in accordance with this section.