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AN ACT

To amend chapter 209, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to closed captioning of local television news programming.

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

Section A. Chapter 209, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 209.350, to read as follows:

**209.350. To ensure effective communication of the content of all local news, weather
2 and sports broadcasts to deaf and hearing-impaired Missourians, beginning January 1,
3 2002, all television stations located in the state of Missouri shall provide real-time
4 captioning of all local news, weather and sports programming. Because of its inability to
5 provide maximum information, the use of electronic newsroom technology shall not satisfy
6 the requirements of this section.**