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91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 565, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to enticement of a child, with a penalty provision.

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

Section A. Chapter 565, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 565.151, to read as follows:

- 565.151. 1. A person commits the crime of enticement of a child if that person, for the purpose of engaging in lewd, illicit, or criminal conduct with a child, attempts to persuade or persuades whether by words or actions or both or through communication via the Internet or electronic mail, any person who is less than sixteen years of age to:
 - (1) Leave home or school; or
- (2) Enter a vehicle, building, structure, alley, or any other enclosed area so that the child is concealed from public view.
- 8 **2.** Nothing contained in this section shall prevent the lawful detention of a child or 9 the rendering of aid or assistance to a child.
- 3. Enticement of a child is a class A misdemeanor unless the person has previously pled guilty to or been found guilty of violating the provisions of this section, section 568.045, 568.050, or 568.060, RSMo, or chapter 566, RSMo, in which case it is a class D felony.