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### AN ACT

To repeal sections 211.021, 211.031, 211.032, 211.033, 211.041, 211.061, 211.071, 211.073, 211.081, 211.091, 211.101, 211.161, 211.181, 211.421, 211.425, and 211.431, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof sixteen new sections relating to juvenile courts.

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

Section A. Sections 211.021, 211.031, 211.032, 211.033, 211.041, 211.061, 211.071, 211.073, 211.081, 211.091, 211.101, 211.161, 211.181, 211.421, 211.425, and 211.431, RSMo, are repealed and sixteen new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 211.021, 211.031, 211.032, 211.033, 211.041, 211.061, 211.071, 211.073, 211.081, 211.091, 211.101, 211.161, 211.181, 211.421, 211.425, and 211.431, to read as follows:

211.021. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- 2 (1) "Adult" means a person [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age or older;
- 3 (2) "Child" means a person under [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age;
- 4 (3) "Juvenile court" means the juvenile division or divisions of the circuit court of the
- 5 county, or judges while hearing juvenile cases assigned to them;
- 6 (4) "Legal custody" means the right to the care, custody and control of a child and the
- 7 duty to provide food, clothing, shelter, ordinary medical care, education, treatment and discipline
- 8 of a child. Legal custody may be taken from a parent only by court action and if the legal
- 9 custody is taken from a parent without termination of parental rights, the parent's duty to provide
- 10 support continues even though the person having legal custody may provide the necessities of
- 11 daily living;
- 12 (5) "Parent" means either a natural parent or a parent by adoption and if the child is

**EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

13 illegitimate, "parent" means the mother;

14 (6) "Shelter care" means the temporary care of juveniles in physically unrestricting  
15 facilities pending final court disposition. These facilities may include:

16 (a) "Foster home", the private home of foster parents providing twenty-four-hour care  
17 to one to three children unrelated to the foster parents by blood, marriage or adoption;

18 (b) "Group foster home", the private home of foster parents providing twenty-four-hour  
19 care to no more than six children unrelated to the foster parents by blood, marriage or adoption;

20 (c) "Group home", a child care facility which approximates a family setting, provides  
21 access to community activities and resources, and provides care to no more than twelve children.

211.031. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the juvenile court or the family  
2 court in circuits that have a family court as provided in sections 487.010 to 487.190, RSMo, shall  
3 have exclusive original jurisdiction in proceedings:

4 (1) Involving any child [or person seventeen years of age] who may be a resident of or  
5 found within the county and who is alleged to be in need of care and treatment because:

6 (a) The parents, or other persons legally responsible for the care and support of the child  
7 [or person seventeen years of age], neglect or refuse to provide proper support, education which  
8 is required by law, medical, surgical or other care necessary for his or her well-being; except that  
9 reliance by a parent, guardian or custodian upon remedial treatment other than medical or  
10 surgical treatment for a child [or person seventeen years of age] shall not be construed as neglect  
11 when the treatment is recognized or permitted pursuant to the laws of this state;

12 (b) The child [or person seventeen years of age] is otherwise without proper care,  
13 custody or support; or

14 (c) The child [or person seventeen years of age] was living in a room, building or other  
15 structure at the time such dwelling was found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be a public  
16 nuisance pursuant to section 195.130, RSMo;

17 (d) The child [or person seventeen years of age] is a child in need of mental health  
18 services and the parent, guardian or custodian is unable to afford or access appropriate mental  
19 health treatment or care for the child;

20 (2) Involving any child who may be a resident of or found within the county and who is  
21 alleged to be in need of care and treatment because:

22 (a) The child while subject to compulsory school attendance is repeatedly and without  
23 justification absent from school; or

24 (b) The child disobeys the reasonable and lawful directions of his or her parents or other  
25 custodian and is beyond their control; or

26 (c) The child is habitually absent from his or her home without sufficient cause,  
27 permission, or justification; or

28 (d) The behavior or associations of the child are otherwise injurious to his or her welfare  
29 or to the welfare of others; or

30 (e) The child is charged with an offense not classified as criminal, or with an offense  
31 applicable only to children; except that, the juvenile court shall not have jurisdiction over any  
32 child fifteen and one-half years of age who is alleged to have violated a state or municipal traffic  
33 ordinance or regulation, the violation of which does not constitute a felony, or any child who is  
34 alleged to have violated a state or municipal ordinance or regulation prohibiting possession or  
35 use of any tobacco product;

36 (3) Involving any child who is alleged to have violated a state law or municipal  
37 ordinance, or any person who is alleged to have violated a state law or municipal ordinance prior  
38 to attaining the age of [seventeen] **eighteen** years, in which cases jurisdiction may be taken by  
39 the court of the circuit in which the child or person resides or may be found or in which the  
40 violation is alleged to have occurred; except that, the juvenile court shall not have jurisdiction  
41 over any child fifteen and one-half years of age who is alleged to have violated a state or  
42 municipal traffic ordinance or regulation, the violation of which does not constitute a felony, or  
43 any child who is alleged to have violated a state or municipal ordinance or regulation prohibiting  
44 possession or use of any tobacco product;

45 (4) For the adoption of a person;

46 (5) For the commitment of a child [or person seventeen years of age] to the guardianship  
47 of the department of social services as provided by law.

48 2. Transfer of a matter, proceeding, jurisdiction or supervision for a child [or person  
49 seventeen years of age] who resides in a county of this state shall be made as follows:

50 (1) Prior to the filing of a petition and upon request of any party or at the discretion of  
51 the juvenile officer, the matter in the interest of a child [or person seventeen years of age] may  
52 be transferred by the juvenile officer, with the prior consent of the juvenile officer of the  
53 receiving court, to the county of the child's residence [or the residence of the person seventeen  
54 years of age] for future action;

55 (2) Upon the motion of any party or on its own motion prior to final disposition on the  
56 pending matter, the court in which a proceeding is commenced may transfer the proceeding of  
57 a child [or person seventeen years of age] to the court located in the county of the child's  
58 residence [or the residence of the person seventeen years of age], or the county in which the  
59 offense pursuant to subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of this section is alleged to have occurred for  
60 further action;

61 (3) Upon motion of any party or on its own motion, the court in which jurisdiction has  
62 been taken pursuant to subsection 1 of this section may at any time thereafter transfer jurisdiction  
63 of a child [or person seventeen years of age] to the court located in the county of the child's

64 residence [or the residence of the person seventeen years of age] for further action with the prior  
65 consent of the receiving court;

66 (4) Upon motion of any party or upon its own motion at any time following a judgment  
67 of disposition or treatment pursuant to section 211.181, the court having jurisdiction of the cause  
68 may place the child [or person seventeen years of age] under the supervision of another juvenile  
69 court within or without the state pursuant to section 210.570, RSMo, with the consent of the  
70 receiving court;

71 (5) Upon the transfer of any matter, proceeding, jurisdiction or supervision of a child [or  
72 person seventeen years of age], certified copies of all legal and social documents and records  
73 pertaining to the case on file with the clerk of the transferring juvenile court shall accompany the  
74 transfer.

75 3. In any proceeding involving any child [or person seventeen years of age] taken into  
76 custody in a county other than the county of the child's residence [or the residence of a person  
77 seventeen years of age], the juvenile court of the county of the child's residence [or the residence  
78 of a person seventeen years of age] shall be notified of such taking into custody within  
79 seventy-two hours.

211.032. 1. When a child [or person seventeen years of age], alleged to be in need of  
2 care and treatment pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 211.031, is taken into  
3 custody, the juvenile or family court shall notify the parties of the right to have a protective  
4 custody hearing. Such notification shall be in writing.

5 2. Upon request from any party, the court shall hold a protective custody hearing. Such  
6 hearing shall be held within three days of the request for a hearing, excluding Saturdays, Sundays  
7 and legal holidays.

8 3. At the protective custody hearing the court may receive testimony and other evidence  
9 relevant to the necessity of detaining the child out of the custody of the parents, guardian or  
10 custodian.

211.033. No person under the age of [seventeen] **eighteen** years, except those transferred  
2 to the court of general jurisdiction under the provisions of section 211.071 shall be detained in  
3 a jail or other adult detention facility as that term is defined in section 211.151. A traffic court  
4 judge may request the juvenile court to order the commitment of a person under the age of  
5 [seventeen] **eighteen** to a juvenile detention facility.

211.041. When jurisdiction over the person of a child has been acquired by the juvenile  
2 court under the provisions of this chapter in proceedings coming within the applicable provisions  
3 of section 211.031, the jurisdiction of the child may be retained for the purpose of this chapter  
4 until he **or she** has attained the age of twenty-one years, except in cases where he **or she** is  
5 committed to and received by the division of youth services, unless jurisdiction has been returned

6 to the committing court by provisions of chapter 219, RSMo, through requests of the court to the  
7 division of youth services and except in any case where he **or she** has not paid an assessment  
8 imposed in accordance with section 211.181 or in cases where the judgment for restitution  
9 entered in accordance with section 211.185 has not been satisfied. Every child over whose  
10 person the juvenile court retains jurisdiction shall be prosecuted under the general law for any  
11 violation of a state law or of a municipal ordinance which he **or she** commits after he **or she**  
12 becomes [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age. The juvenile court shall have no jurisdiction with  
13 respect to any such violation and, so long as it retains jurisdiction of the child, shall not exercise  
14 its jurisdiction in such a manner as to conflict with any other court's jurisdiction as to any such  
15 violation.

211.061. 1. When a child is taken into custody with or without warrant for an offense,  
2 the child, together with any information concerning [him] **the child** and the personal property  
3 found in [his] **the child's** possession, shall be taken immediately and directly before the juvenile  
4 court or delivered to the juvenile officer or person acting for [him] **the child**.

5 2. If any person is taken before a circuit or associate circuit judge not assigned to  
6 juvenile court or a municipal judge, and it is then, or at any time thereafter, ascertained that he  
7 **or she** was under the age of [seventeen] **eighteen** years at the time he **or she** is alleged to have  
8 committed the offense, or that he **or she** is subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as  
9 provided by this chapter, it is the duty of the judge forthwith to transfer the case or refer the  
10 matter to the juvenile court, and direct the delivery of such person, together with information  
11 concerning him **or her** and the personal property found in his **or her** possession, to the juvenile  
12 officer or person acting as such.

13 3. When the juvenile court is informed that a child is in detention it shall examine the  
14 reasons therefor and shall immediately:

15 (1) Order the child released; or

16 (2) Order the child continued in detention until a detention hearing is held. An order to  
17 continue the child in detention shall only be entered upon the filing of a petition or motion to  
18 modify and a determination by the court that probable cause exists to believe that the child has  
19 committed acts specified in the petition or motion that bring the child within the jurisdiction of  
20 the court under subdivision (2) or (3) of subsection 1 of section 211.031.

21 4. A juvenile shall not remain in detention for a period greater than twenty-four hours  
22 unless the court orders a detention hearing. If such hearing is not held within three days,  
23 excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, the juvenile shall be released from detention  
24 unless the court for good cause orders the hearing continued. The detention hearing shall be held  
25 within the judicial circuit at a date, time and place convenient to the court. Notice of the date,  
26 time and place of a detention hearing, and of the right to counsel, shall be given to the juvenile

27 and his **or her** custodian in person, by telephone, or by such other expeditious method as is  
28 available.

211.071. 1. If a petition alleges that a child between the ages of twelve and [seventeen]  
2 **eighteen** has committed an offense which would be considered a felony if committed by an  
3 adult, the court may, upon its own motion or upon motion by the juvenile officer, the child or the  
4 child's custodian, order a hearing and may, in its discretion, dismiss the petition and such child  
5 may be transferred to the court of general jurisdiction and prosecuted under the general law;  
6 except that if a petition alleges that any child has committed an offense which would be  
7 considered first degree murder under section 565.020, RSMo, second degree murder under  
8 section 565.021, RSMo, first degree assault under section 565.050, RSMo, forcible rape under  
9 section 566.030, RSMo, forcible sodomy under section 566.060, RSMo, first degree robbery  
10 under section 569.020, RSMo, or distribution of drugs under section 195.211, RSMo, or has  
11 committed two or more prior unrelated offenses which would be felonies if committed by an  
12 adult, the court shall order a hearing, and may in its discretion, dismiss the petition and transfer  
13 the child to a court of general jurisdiction for prosecution under the general law.

14 2. Upon apprehension and arrest, jurisdiction over the criminal offense allegedly  
15 committed by any person between [seventeen] **eighteen** and twenty-one years of age over whom  
16 the juvenile court has retained continuing jurisdiction shall automatically terminate and that  
17 offense shall be dealt with in the court of general jurisdiction as provided in section 211.041.

18 3. Knowing and willful age misrepresentation by a juvenile subject shall not affect any  
19 action or proceeding which occurs based upon the misrepresentation. Any evidence obtained  
20 during the period of time in which a child misrepresents his **or her** age may be used against the  
21 child and will be subject only to rules of evidence applicable in adult proceedings.

22 4. Written notification of a transfer hearing shall be given to the juvenile and his **or her**  
23 custodian in the same manner as provided in sections 211.101 and 211.111. Notice of the  
24 hearing may be waived by the custodian. Notice shall contain a statement that the purpose of the  
25 hearing is to determine whether the child is a proper subject to be dealt with under the provisions  
26 of this chapter, and that if the court finds that the child is not a proper subject to be dealt with  
27 under the provisions of this chapter, the petition will be dismissed to allow for prosecution of the  
28 child under the general law.

29 5. The juvenile officer may consult with the office of prosecuting attorney concerning  
30 any offense for which the child could be certified as an adult under this section. The prosecuting  
31 or circuit attorney shall have access to police reports, reports of the juvenile or deputy juvenile  
32 officer, statements of witnesses and all other records or reports relating to the offense alleged to  
33 have been committed by the child. The prosecuting or circuit attorney shall have access to the  
34 disposition records of the child when the child has been adjudicated pursuant to subdivision (3)

35 of subsection 1 of section 211.031. The prosecuting attorney shall not divulge any information  
36 regarding the child and the offense until the juvenile court at a judicial hearing has determined  
37 that the child is not a proper subject to be dealt with under the provisions of this chapter.

38 6. A written report shall be prepared in accordance with this chapter developing fully all  
39 available information relevant to the criteria which shall be considered by the court in  
40 determining whether the child is a proper subject to be dealt with under the provisions of this  
41 chapter and whether there are reasonable prospects of rehabilitation within the juvenile justice  
42 system. These criteria shall include but not be limited to:

43 (1) The seriousness of the offense alleged and whether the protection of the community  
44 requires transfer to the court of general jurisdiction;

45 (2) Whether the offense alleged involved viciousness, force and violence;

46 (3) Whether the offense alleged was against persons or property with greater weight  
47 being given to the offense against persons, especially if personal injury resulted;

48 (4) Whether the offense alleged is a part of a repetitive pattern of offenses which  
49 indicates that the child may be beyond rehabilitation under the juvenile code;

50 (5) The record and history of the child, including experience with the juvenile justice  
51 system, other courts, supervision, commitments to juvenile institutions and other placements;

52 (6) The sophistication and maturity of the child as determined by consideration of his  
53 home and environmental situation, emotional condition and pattern of living;

54 (7) The age of the child;

55 (8) The program and facilities available to the juvenile court in considering disposition;

56 (9) Whether or not the child can benefit from the treatment or rehabilitative programs  
57 available to the juvenile court; and

58 (10) Racial disparity in certification.

59 7. If the court dismisses the petition to permit the child to be prosecuted under the  
60 general law, the court shall enter a dismissal order containing:

61 (1) Findings showing that the court had jurisdiction of the cause and of the parties;

62 (2) Findings showing that the child was represented by counsel;

63 (3) Findings showing that the hearing was held in the presence of the child and his  
64 counsel; and

65 (4) Findings showing the reasons underlying the court's decision to transfer jurisdiction.

66 8. A copy of the petition and order of the dismissal shall be sent to the prosecuting  
67 attorney.

68 9. When a petition has been dismissed thereby permitting a child to be prosecuted under  
69 the general law, the jurisdiction of the juvenile court over that child is forever terminated, except  
70 as provided in subsection 10 of this section, for an act that would be a violation of a state law or

71 municipal ordinance.

72 10. If a petition has been dismissed thereby permitting a child to be prosecuted under the  
73 general law and the child is found not guilty by a court of general jurisdiction, the juvenile court  
74 shall have jurisdiction over any later offense committed by that child which would be considered  
75 a misdemeanor or felony if committed by an adult, subject to the certification provisions of this  
76 section.

77 11. If the court does not dismiss the petition to permit the child to be prosecuted under  
78 the general law, it shall set a date for the hearing upon the petition as provided in section  
79 211.171.

211.073. 1. The court may, in a case when the offender is under [~~seventeen~~] **eighteen**  
2 years of age and has been transferred to a court of general jurisdiction pursuant to section  
3 211.071, and whose prosecution results in a conviction or a plea of guilty, invoke dual  
4 jurisdiction of both the criminal and juvenile codes, as set forth in this section. The court is  
5 authorized to impose a juvenile disposition under this chapter and simultaneously impose an  
6 adult criminal sentence, the execution of which shall be suspended pursuant to the provisions of  
7 this section. Successful completion of the juvenile disposition ordered shall be a condition of  
8 the suspended adult criminal sentence. The court may order an offender into the custody of the  
9 division of youth services pursuant to this section if:

10 (1) A facility is designed and built by the division of youth services specifically for  
11 offenders sentenced pursuant to this section and if the division determines that there is space  
12 available, based on design capacity, in the facility; and

13 (2) Upon agreement of the division.

14 2. If there is probable cause to believe that the offender has violated a condition of the  
15 suspended sentence or committed a new offense, the court shall conduct a hearing on the  
16 violation charged, unless the offender waives such hearing. If the violation is established and  
17 found the court may continue or revoke the juvenile disposition, impose the adult criminal  
18 sentence, or enter such other order as it may see fit.

19 3. When an offender has received a suspended sentence pursuant to this section and the  
20 division determines the child is beyond the scope of its treatment programs, the division of youth  
21 services may petition the court for a transfer of custody of the offender. The court shall hold a  
22 hearing and shall:

23 (1) Revoke the suspension and direct that the offender be taken into immediate custody  
24 of the department of corrections; or

25 (2) Direct that the offender be placed on probation.

26 4. When an offender who has received a suspended sentence reaches the age of  
27 [~~seventeen~~] **eighteen**, the court shall hold a hearing. The court shall:



28 (1) Revoke the suspension and direct that the offender be taken into immediate custody  
29 of the department of corrections;

30 (2) Direct that the offender be placed on probation; or

31 (3) Direct that the offender remain in the custody of the division of youth services if the  
32 division agrees to such placement.

33 5. The division of youth services shall petition the court for a hearing before it releases  
34 an offender who comes within subsection 1 of this section at any time before the offender  
35 reaches the age of twenty-one years. The court shall:

36 (1) Revoke the suspension and direct that the offender be taken into immediate custody  
37 of the department of corrections; or

38 (2) Direct that the offender be placed on probation.

39 6. If the suspension of the adult criminal sentence is revoked, all time served by the  
40 offender under the juvenile disposition shall be credited toward the adult criminal sentence  
41 imposed.

211.081. 1. Whenever any person informs the court in person and in writing that a child  
2 appears to be within the purview of applicable provisions of section 211.031 [or that a person  
3 seventeen years of age appears to be within the purview of the provisions of subdivision (1) of  
4 subsection 1 of section 211.031], the court shall make or cause to be made a preliminary inquiry  
5 to determine the facts and to determine whether or not the interests of the public or of the child  
6 [or person seventeen years of age] require that further action be taken. On the basis of this  
7 inquiry, the juvenile court may make such informal adjustment as is practicable without a  
8 petition or may authorize the filing of a petition by the juvenile officer. Any other provision of  
9 this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, the juvenile court shall not make any order for  
10 disposition of a child [or person seventeen years of age] which would place or commit the child  
11 [or person seventeen years of age] to any location outside the state of Missouri without first  
12 receiving the approval of the division of family services.

13 2. Placement in any institutional setting shall represent the least restrictive appropriate  
14 placement for the child [or person seventeen years of age] and shall be recommended based upon  
15 a psychological or psychiatric evaluation or both. Prior to entering any order for disposition of  
16 a child [or person seventeen years of age] which would order residential treatment or other  
17 services inside the state of Missouri, the juvenile court shall enter findings which include the  
18 recommendation of the psychological or psychiatric evaluation or both; and certification from  
19 the division director or designee as to whether a provider or funds or both are available,  
20 including a projection of their future availability. If the division of family services indicates that  
21 funding is not available, the division shall recommend and make available for placement by the  
22 court an alternative placement for the child [or person seventeen years of age]. The division shall

23 have the burden of demonstrating that they have exercised due diligence in utilizing all available  
24 services to carry out the recommendation of the evaluation team and serve the best interest of the  
25 child [or person seventeen years of age]. The judge shall not order placement or an alternative  
26 placement with a specific provider but may reasonably designate the scope and type of the  
27 services which shall be provided by the department to the child [or person seventeen years of  
28 age].

29 3. Obligations of the state incurred under the provisions of section 211.181 shall not  
30 exceed, in any fiscal year, the amount appropriated for this purpose.

211.091. 1. The petition shall be entitled "In the interest of ....., a child under  
2 [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age". If a petition is filed pursuant to the provisions of subdivision  
3 (1) of subsection 1 of section 211.031, the petition shall be entitled "In the interest of ....., a  
4 child under [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age" [or "In the interest of ....., a person  
5 seventeen years of age"].

6 2. The petition shall set forth plainly:

7 (1) The facts which bring the child [or person seventeen years of age] within the  
8 jurisdiction of the court;

9 (2) The full name, birth date, and residence of the child [or person seventeen years of  
10 age];

11 (3) The names and residence of his **or her** parents, if living;

12 (4) The name and residence of his **or her** legal guardian if there be one, of the person  
13 having custody of the child [or person seventeen years of age] or of the nearest known relative  
14 if no parent or guardian can be found; and

15 (5) Any other pertinent data or information.

16 3. If any facts required in subsection 2 of this section are not known by the petitioner,  
17 the petition shall so state.

18 4. Prior to the voluntary dismissal of a petition filed under this section, the juvenile  
19 officer shall assess the impact of such dismissal on the best interests of the child, and shall take  
20 all actions practicable to minimize any negative impact.

211.101. 1. After a petition has been filed, unless the parties appear voluntarily, the  
2 juvenile court shall issue a summons in the name of the state of Missouri requiring the person  
3 who has custody of the child [or person seventeen years of age] to appear personally and, unless  
4 the court orders otherwise, to bring the child [or person seventeen years of age] before the court,  
5 at the time and place stated.

6 2. If the person so summoned is other than a parent or guardian of the child [or person  
7 seventeen years of age], then the parent or guardian or both shall also be notified of the pendency  
8 of the case and of the time and place appointed.

9           3. If it appears that the child [or person seventeen years of age] is in such condition or  
10 surroundings that his **or her** welfare requires that his **or her** custody be immediately assumed  
11 by the court, the judge may order, by endorsement upon the summons, the officer serving it to  
12 take the child [or person seventeen years of age] into custody at once.

13           4. Subpoena may be issued requiring the appearance of any other person whose presence,  
14 in the opinion of the judge, is necessary.

211.161. 1. The court may cause any child [or person seventeen years of age] within its  
2 jurisdiction to be examined by a physician, psychiatrist or psychologist appointed by the court  
3 in order that the condition of the child [or person seventeen years of age] may be given  
4 consideration in the disposition of his case. The expenses of the examination when approved  
5 by the court shall be paid by the county, except that the county shall not be liable for the costs  
6 of examinations conducted by the department of mental health either directly or through contract.

7           2. The services of a state, county or municipally maintained hospital, institution, or  
8 psychiatric or health clinic may be used for the purpose of this examination and treatment.

9           3. A county may establish medical, psychiatric and other facilities, upon request of the  
10 juvenile court, to provide proper services for the court in the diagnosis and treatment of children  
11 [or persons seventeen years of age] coming before it and these facilities shall be under the  
12 administration and control of the juvenile court. The juvenile court may appoint and fix the  
13 compensation of such professional and other personnel as it deems necessary to provide the court  
14 proper diagnostic, clinical and treatment services for children [or persons seventeen years of age]  
15 under its jurisdiction.

211.181. 1. When a child [or person seventeen years of age] is found by the court to  
2 come within the applicable provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 211.031, the  
3 court shall so decree and make a finding of fact upon which it exercises its jurisdiction over the  
4 child [or person seventeen years of age], and the court may, by order duly entered, proceed as  
5 follows:

6           (1) Place the child [or person seventeen years of age] under supervision in his **or her**  
7 own home or in the custody of a relative or other suitable person after the court or a public  
8 agency or institution designated by the court conducts an investigation of the home, relative or  
9 person and finds such home, relative or person to be suitable and upon such conditions as the  
10 court may require;

11           (2) Commit the child [or person seventeen years of age] to the custody of:

12           (a) A public agency or institution authorized by law to care for children or to place them  
13 in family homes; except that, such child [or person seventeen years of age] may not be  
14 committed to the department of social services, division of youth services;

15           (b) Any other institution or agency which is authorized or licensed by law to care for

16 children or to place them in family homes;

17 (c) An association, school or institution willing to receive the child [or person seventeen  
18 years of age] in another state if the approval of the agency in that state which administers the  
19 laws relating to importation of children into the state has been secured; or

20 (d) The juvenile officer;

21 (3) Place the child [or person seventeen years of age] in a family home;

22 (4) Cause the child [or person seventeen years of age] to be examined and treated by a  
23 physician, psychiatrist or psychologist and when the health or condition of the child [or person  
24 seventeen years of age] requires it, cause the child [or person seventeen years of age] to be placed  
25 in a public or private hospital, clinic or institution for treatment and care; except that, nothing  
26 contained herein authorizes any form of compulsory medical, surgical, or psychiatric treatment  
27 of a child [or person seventeen years of age] whose parents or guardian in good faith are  
28 providing other remedial treatment recognized or permitted under the laws of this state;

29 (5) The court may order, pursuant to subsection 2 of section 211.081, that the child  
30 receive the necessary services in the least restrictive appropriate environment including home  
31 and community-based services, treatment and support, based on a coordinated, individualized  
32 treatment plan. The individualized treatment plan shall be approved by the court and developed  
33 by the applicable state agencies responsible for providing or paying for any and all appropriate  
34 and necessary services, subject to appropriation, and shall include which agencies are going to  
35 pay for and provide such services. Such plan must be submitted to the court within thirty days  
36 and the child's family shall actively participate in designing the service plan for the child [or  
37 person seventeen years of age].

38 2. When a child is found by the court to come within the provisions of subdivision (2)  
39 of subsection 1 of section 211.031, the court shall so decree and upon making a finding of fact  
40 upon which it exercises its jurisdiction over the child, the court may, by order duly entered,  
41 proceed as follows:

42 (1) Place the child under supervision in his **or her** own home or in custody of a relative  
43 or other suitable person after the court or a public agency or institution designated by the court  
44 conducts an investigation of the home, relative or person and finds such home, relative or person  
45 to be suitable and upon such conditions as the court may require;

46 (2) Commit the child to the custody of:

47 (a) A public agency or institution authorized by law to care for children or place them  
48 in family homes; except that, a child may be committed to the department of social services,  
49 division of youth services, only if he **or she** is presently under the court's supervision after an  
50 adjudication under the provisions of subdivision (2) or (3) of subsection 1 of section 211.031;

51 (b) Any other institution or agency which is authorized or licensed by law to care for

52 children or to place them in family homes;

53 (c) An association, school or institution willing to receive it in another state if the  
54 approval of the agency in that state which administers the laws relating to importation of children  
55 into the state has been secured; or

56 (d) The juvenile officer;

57 (3) Place the child in a family home;

58 (4) Cause the child to be examined and treated by a physician, psychiatrist or  
59 psychologist and when the health or condition of the child requires it, cause the child to be placed  
60 in a public or private hospital, clinic or institution for treatment and care; except that, nothing  
61 contained herein authorizes any form of compulsory medical, surgical, or psychiatric treatment  
62 of a child whose parents or guardian in good faith are providing other remedial treatment  
63 recognized or permitted under the laws of this state;

64 (5) Assess an amount of up to ten dollars to be paid by the child to the clerk of the court.  
65 Execution of any order entered by the court pursuant to this subsection, including a commitment  
66 to any state agency, may be suspended and the child placed on probation subject to such  
67 conditions as the court deems reasonable. After a hearing, probation may be revoked and the  
68 suspended order executed.

69 3. When a child is found by the court to come within the provisions of subdivision (3)  
70 of subsection 1 of section 211.031, the court shall so decree and make a finding of fact upon  
71 which it exercises its jurisdiction over the child, and the court may, by order duly entered,  
72 proceed as follows:

73 (1) Place the child under supervision in his **or her** own home or in custody of a relative  
74 or other suitable person after the court or a public agency or institution designated by the court  
75 conducts an investigation of the home, relative or person and finds such home, relative or person  
76 to be suitable and upon such conditions as the court may require;

77 (2) Commit the child to the custody of:

78 (a) A public agency or institution authorized by law to care for children or to place them  
79 in family homes;

80 (b) Any other institution or agency which is authorized or licensed by law to care for  
81 children or to place them in family homes;

82 (c) An association, school or institution willing to receive it in another state if the  
83 approval of the agency in that state which administers the laws relating to importation of children  
84 into the state has been secured; or

85 (d) The juvenile officer;

86 (3) Beginning January 1, 1996, the court may make further directions as to placement  
87 with the division of youth services concerning the child's length of stay. The length of stay order

88 may set forth a minimum review date;

89 (4) Place the child in a family home;

90 (5) Cause the child to be examined and treated by a physician, psychiatrist or  
91 psychologist and when the health or condition of the child requires it, cause the child to be placed  
92 in a public or private hospital, clinic or institution for treatment and care; except that, nothing  
93 contained herein authorizes any form of compulsory medical, surgical, or psychiatric treatment  
94 of a child whose parents or guardian in good faith are providing other remedial treatment  
95 recognized or permitted under the laws of this state;

96 (6) Suspend or revoke a state or local license or authority of a child to operate a motor  
97 vehicle;

98 (7) Order the child to make restitution or reparation for the damage or loss caused by his  
99 offense. In determining the amount or extent of the damage, the court may order the juvenile  
100 officer to prepare a report and may receive other evidence necessary for such determination. The  
101 child and his **or her** attorney shall have access to any reports which may be prepared, and shall  
102 have the right to present evidence at any hearing held to ascertain the amount of damages. Any  
103 restitution or reparation ordered shall be reasonable in view of the child's ability to make  
104 payment or to perform the reparation. The court may require the clerk of the circuit court to act  
105 as receiving and disbursing agent for any payment ordered;

106 (8) Order the child to a term of community service under the supervision of the court or  
107 of an organization selected by the court. Every person, organization, and agency, and each  
108 employee thereof, charged with the supervision of a child under this subdivision, or who benefits  
109 from any services performed as a result of an order issued under this subdivision, shall be  
110 immune from any suit by the child ordered to perform services under this subdivision, or any  
111 person deriving a cause of action from such child, if such cause of action arises from the  
112 supervision of the child's performance of services under this subdivision and if such cause of  
113 action does not arise from an intentional tort. A child ordered to perform services under this  
114 subdivision shall not be deemed an employee within the meaning of the provisions of chapter  
115 287, RSMo, nor shall the services of such child be deemed employment within the meaning of  
116 the provisions of chapter 288, RSMo. Execution of any order entered by the court, including a  
117 commitment to any state agency, may be suspended and the child placed on probation subject  
118 to such conditions as the court deems reasonable. After a hearing, probation may be revoked and  
119 the suspended order executed;

120 (9) When a child has been adjudicated to have violated a municipal ordinance or to have  
121 committed an act that would be a misdemeanor if committed by an adult, assess an amount of  
122 up to twenty-five dollars to be paid by the child to the clerk of the court; when a child has been  
123 adjudicated to have committed an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult, assess an

124 amount of up to fifty dollars to be paid by the child to the clerk of the court.

125           4. Beginning January 1, 1996, the court may set forth in the order of commitment the  
126 minimum period during which the child shall remain in the custody of the division of youth  
127 services. No court order shall require a child to remain in the custody of the division of youth  
128 services for a period which exceeds the child's eighteenth birth date except upon petition filed  
129 by the division of youth services pursuant to subsection 1 of section 219.021, RSMo. In any  
130 order of commitment of a child to the custody of the division of youth services, the division shall  
131 determine the appropriate program or placement pursuant to subsection 3 of section 219.021,  
132 RSMo. Beginning January 1, 1996, the department shall not discharge a child from the custody  
133 of the division of youth services before the child completes the length of stay determined by the  
134 court in the commitment order unless the committing court orders otherwise. The director of the  
135 division of youth services may at any time petition the court for a review of a child's length of  
136 stay commitment order, and the court may, upon a showing of good cause, order the early  
137 discharge of the child from the custody of the division of youth services. The division may  
138 discharge the child from the division of youth services without a further court order after the  
139 child completes the length of stay determined by the court or may retain the child for any period  
140 after the completion of the length of stay in accordance with the law.

141           5. When an assessment has been imposed under the provisions of subsection 2 or 3 of  
142 this section, the assessment shall be paid to the clerk of the court in the circuit where the  
143 assessment is imposed by court order, to be deposited in a fund established for the sole purpose  
144 of payment of judgments entered against children in accordance with section 211.185.

211.421. 1. After any child has come under the care or control of the juvenile court as  
2 provided in this chapter, any person who thereafter encourages, aids, or causes the child to  
3 commit any act or engage in any conduct which would be injurious to the child's morals or health  
4 or who knowingly or negligently disobeys, violates or interferes with a lawful order of the court  
5 with relation to the child, is guilty of contempt of court, and shall be proceeded against as now  
6 provided by law and punished by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding six  
7 months or by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by both such fine and imprisonment.

8           2. If it appears at a juvenile court hearing that any person [seventeen] **eighteen** years of  
9 age or over has violated section 568.045 or 568.050, RSMo, by endangering the welfare of a  
10 child, the judge of the juvenile court shall refer the information to the prosecuting or circuit  
11 attorney, as the case may be, for appropriate proceedings.

211.425. 1. Any person who has been adjudicated a delinquent by a juvenile court for  
2 committing or attempting to commit a sex-related offense which if committed by an adult would  
3 be considered a felony offense pursuant to chapter 566, RSMo, including, but not limited to,  
4 rape, forcible sodomy, child molestation and sexual abuse, shall be considered a juvenile sex

5 offender and shall be required to register as a juvenile sex offender by complying with the  
6 registration requirements provided for in this section. This requirement shall also apply to any  
7 person who is or has been adjudicated a juvenile delinquent in any other state or federal  
8 jurisdiction for committing or attempting to commit offenses which would be proscribed herein.

9         2. Any state agency having supervision over a juvenile required to register as a juvenile  
10 sex offender or any court having jurisdiction over a juvenile required to register as a juvenile sex  
11 offender, or any person required to register as a juvenile sex offender, shall, within ten days of  
12 the juvenile offender moving into any county of this state, register with the juvenile office of the  
13 county. If such juvenile offender changes residence or address, the state agency, court or person  
14 shall inform the juvenile office within ten days of the new residence or address and shall also be  
15 required to register with the juvenile office of any new county of residence. Registration shall  
16 be accomplished by completing a registration form similar to the form provided for in section  
17 589.407, RSMo. Such form shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

18         (1) A statement in writing signed by the juvenile, giving the juvenile's name, address,  
19 Social Security number, phone number, school in which enrolled, place of employment, offense  
20 which requires registration, including the date, place, and a brief description of such offense, date  
21 and place of adjudication regarding such offense, and age and gender of the victim at the time  
22 of the offense; and

23         (2) The fingerprints and a photograph of the juvenile.

24         3. Juvenile offices shall maintain the registration forms of those juvenile offenders in  
25 their jurisdictions who register as required by this section. Information contained on the  
26 registration forms shall be kept confidential and may be released by juvenile offices to only those  
27 persons and agencies who are authorized to receive information from juvenile court records as  
28 provided by law, including, but not limited to, those specified in section 211.321. State agencies  
29 having custody of juveniles who fall within the registration requirements of this section shall  
30 notify the appropriate juvenile offices when such juvenile offenders are being transferred to a  
31 location falling within the jurisdiction of such juvenile offices.

32         4. Any juvenile who is required to register pursuant to this section but fails to do so or  
33 who provides false information on the registration form is subject to disposition pursuant to this  
34 chapter. Any person [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age or over who commits such violation is  
35 guilty of a class A misdemeanor as provided for in section 211.431.

36         5. Any juvenile to whom the registration requirement of this section applies shall be  
37 informed by the official in charge of the juvenile's custody, upon the juvenile's discharge or  
38 release from such custody, of the requirement to register pursuant to this section. Such official  
39 shall obtain the address where such juvenile expects to register upon being discharged or released  
40 and shall report the juvenile's name and address to the juvenile office where the juvenile will be



41 required to register. This requirement to register upon discharge or release from custody does  
42 not apply in situations where the juvenile is temporarily released under guard or direct  
43 supervision from a detention facility or similar custodial facility.

44         6. The requirement to register as a juvenile sex offender shall terminate upon the juvenile  
45 offender reaching age twenty-one, unless such juvenile offender is required to register as an adult  
46 offender pursuant to section 589.400, RSMo.

       211.431. Any person [seventeen] **eighteen** years of age or over who willfully violates,  
2 neglects or refuses to obey or perform any lawful order of the court, or who violates any  
3 provision of this chapter is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.