

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# HOUSE BILL NO. 318

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Reported from the Committee on Judiciary March 12, 2003, with recommendation that the House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 318 Do Pass by Consent.

Perfecting by Consent March 19, 2003.

STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 67, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to county ordinance violations.

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

Section A. Chapter 67, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 67.2010, to read as follows:

**67.2010. 1. Any county of the first classification with more than eighty-two thousand but less than eighty-two thousand one hundred inhabitants may elect to have the violations of county ordinances adopted pursuant to section 304.130, RSMo, heard and determined by an associate circuit judge of the circuit in which the county is located; provided, however, if such election is made, all violations of that county's ordinances adopted pursuant to section 304.130, RSMo, shall be heard and determined before an associate circuit judge or judges. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude the transfer or assignment of another judge to hear and determine a case or class of cases when otherwise authorized by provisions of the constitution, law, or court rule.**

**2. If a county elects to have the violations of its county ordinances adopted pursuant to section 304.130, RSMo, heard and determined by an associate circuit judge, the associate circuit judge or judges shall commence hearing and determining such violations six months after the county notifies the presiding judge of the circuit of its election. With the consent of the presiding judge, the associate circuit judge or judges may commence hearing such violations at an earlier date.**