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92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Pensions and General Laws, April 28, 2003, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 208.565, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to stabilization of income for the elderly, with an emergency clause and an effective date for a certain section.

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

Section A. Section 208.565, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 137.106 and 208.565, to read as follows:

137.106. 1. This section may be known and may be cited as "The Missouri Homestead Preservation Act".

2. Pursuant to article X, section 6(a) of the Constitution of Missouri, if
a county or city not within a county shall increase the amount of property tax
due on any parcel of subclass (1) real property by more than five percent as
a result of an assessment conducted pursuant to subsection 1 of section
137.115, then the taxing authority shall exempt a portion of the assessed
valuation of the property such that the tax due by the owner or owners of the
homestead does not exceed a five percent increase in the amount of tax due
by the owner or owners of the homestead per assessment period. If a political
subdivision suffers a loss of revenue by reason of such exemption, the
political subdivision shall be entitled to restitution from the state for lost

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- revenue. To achieve this restitution, the general assembly shall appropriate funds to be distributed to the affected political subdivision. For the purposes of this subsection the term "property tax due" means the actual tax liability 15 attributed to an owner or owners of a homestead, excluding:
 - (1) Increases due to new construction or improvements;
 - (2) Increases due to any voter approved new or modified tax levy; and
- (3) Increases due to a change to the assessed valuation as a result of 19 20 the property being sold, devised or otherwise changing ownership.
 - 3. Notwithstanding other provisions of law, any taxpayer of a county, or other political subdivision shall have standing to bring suit in a circuit court of proper venue to enforce the provisions of this section, and, if the suit is sustained, shall receive from the applicable unit of government his or her costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in maintaining such suit.
- 26 4. This section shall become effective January 1, 2006, and shall apply 27 to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2003.

208.565. 1. The [division] department of health and senior services shall negotiate with manufacturers for participation in the program. The [division] department of health and senior services shall issue a certificate of participation 4 to pharmaceutical manufacturers participating in the Missouri Senior Rx program. A pharmaceutical manufacturer may apply for participation in the program with an 5 application form prescribed by the commission. A certificate of participation shall 7 remain in effect for an initial period of not less than one year and shall be automatically renewed unless terminated by either the manufacturer or the state with sixty days' 9 notification.

2. For all transactions occurring prior to July 1, 2003, the rebate amount for each drug shall be fifteen percent of the average manufacturer's price as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 1396r-8(k)(1). For all transactions 13 occurring on and after July 1, 2003, the rebate amount for [each drug] name brand 14 prescription drugs shall be fifteen percent and the rebate amount for generic prescription drugs shall be eleven percent of the average manufacturers' price as 15 defined pursuant to 42 U.S.C. **Section** 1396r-8(k)(1). No other discounts shall apply. In 16 17 order to receive a certificate of participation a manufacturer or distributor participating in the Missouri Senior Rx program shall provide the [division of aging] department of 18 health and senior services the average manufacturers' price for their contracted 19 products. The following shall apply to the providing of average manufacturers' price information to the [division of aging] department of health and senior services:

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- 22 (1) Any manufacturer or distributor with an agreement under this section that 23 knowingly provides false information is subject to a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars for each provision of false information. Such 24 penalties shall be in addition to other penalties as prescribed by law; 25
 - (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, information disclosed by manufacturers or wholesalers pursuant to this subsection or under an agreement with the [division] department of health and senior services pursuant to this section is confidential and shall not be disclosed by the [division] department of health and senior services or any other state agency or contractor therein in any form which discloses the identity of a specific manufacturer or wholesaler or prices charged for drugs by such manufacturer or wholesaler, except to permit the state auditor to review the information provided and the [division of medical services] department of health and senior services for rebate administration.
 - 3. All rebates received through the program shall be used toward refunding the program. If a pharmaceutical manufacturer refuses to participate in the rebate program, such refusal shall not affect the manufacturer's status under the current Medicaid program. There shall be no drug formulary, prior approval system, or any similar restriction imposed on the coverage of outpatient drugs made by pharmaceutical manufacturers who have agreements to pay rebates for drugs utilized in the Missouri Senior Rx program, provided that such outpatient drugs were approved by the Food and Drug Administration.
- 43 4. Any prescription drug of a manufacturer that does not participate in the 44 program shall not be reimbursable.

Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to ensure the fiscal stability of the Senior Rx program, the repeal and reenactment of section 208.565 of section A of 3 this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and the repeal and reenactment of section 208.565 of section A of this