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SENATE BILL NO. 1371

1 AN ACT

- 2 To repeal sections 208.568 and 208.574, RSMo,
- and to enact in lieu thereof eight new
- 4 sections relating to the coordination of
- 5 benefits for the Medicare Prescription Drug,
- 6 Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003,
- 7 with a termination date for a certain
- 8 section.

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, 10 AS FOLLOWS:

Section A. Sections 208.568 and 208.574, RSMo, are repealed

and eight new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as

sections 208.568, 208.574, 208.580, 208.582, 208.584, 208.586,

208.588, and 1, to read as follows:

208.568. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury

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EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in boldface type in the above law is proposed language.

the "Missouri Senior Rx Fund", which shall consist of all moneys deposited in the fund pursuant to sections 208.550 to 208.571 and all moneys which may be appropriated to it by the general assembly, from federal or other sources.

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- 2. The state treasurer shall administer the fund and credit all interest to the fund and the moneys in the fund shall be used solely by the commission for the Missouri Senior Rx program and the division of aging for the implementation of the program for seniors established in sections 208.550 to 208.571.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, moneys in the fund shall [not] revert to the credit of the [general revenue fund at the end of the biennium] Missouri senior prescription drug plan fund created pursuant to section 208.586, RSMo, following notice to the revisor of statutes by the department of health and senior services that the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 has been implemented.
- 208.574. The provisions of sections 208.550 to 208.571 shall [be reauthorized every four years] terminate following notice to the revisor of statutes by the department of health and senior services that the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 has been implemented.
- 208.580. 1. For the purposes of sections 208.580 to 208.586, the following terms shall mean:
 - (1) "Eligible senior", any Missouri resident who is sixty-

1	five years of age or older, and who is a participant in the
2	Medicare Part D benefit, and whose income, as defined under P.L.
3	108-173, or any subsequent federal legislation altering or
4	replacing the same is:
5	(a) Equal to or greater than one hundred fifty percent of
6	the federal poverty level and less than two hundred percent of
7	the federal poverty level; or
8	(b) Less than one hundred fifty percent of the federal
9	poverty level and the individual does not qualify for Medicare
10	Part D low-income subsidies because the value of the individual's
11	assets exceeds that amount allowed for qualification pursuant to
12	P.L. 108-173;
13	(2) "2006 Standard drug benefit coverage gap", the
14	difference in prescription drug coverage spent each year by an
15	eligible senior:
16	(a) After the eligible senior has spent qualified
17	prescription drug expenses equal to the initial coverage limit as
18	defined in the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and
19	Modernization Act of 2003; and
20	(b) Before the eligible senior has spent qualified
21	prescription drug expenses equal to the annual out-of-pocket
22	threshold as defined in the Medicare Prescription Drug,
23	Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003.

2. In order to partially fill the gap created due to the enactment of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and

Modernization Act of 2003, P.L. 108-173, or any subsequent

federal legislation altering or replacing the same the "Missouri

Senior Prescription Drug Plan" is established within the

department of health and senior services. The Missouri senior

prescription drug plan shall be effective following notice to the

revisor of statutes by the department of health and senior

services that the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and

Modernization Act of 2003 has been implemented.

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- 3. The Missouri senior prescription drug plan is not an entitlement. Benefits shall be limited to the level supported by the moneys explicitly appropriated pursuant to this section. If in any fiscal year the department projects that the total cost of the plan will exceed the amount currently appropriated for the plan, the department shall direct the prescription drug plan sponsor to implement cost control measures to reduce the projected cost. Such cost control measures may include, but are not limited to, increasing the coinsurance outlined in subsection 5 of section 208.582. The Missouri senior prescription drug plan is a payer of last resort.
- 4. Subject to appropriations and other available funds, the Missouri senior prescription drug plan may pay up to seventy-five percent of the 2006 standard drug benefit coverage gap of up to two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars, which shall not exceed two thousand one hundred thirty-eight dollars. The eligible senior shall pay the remaining amount.

1	5. Applications for the Missouri senior prescription drug
2	plan shall be conducted jointly with applications for the
3	Medicare Part D benefit. The department shall establish an
4	annual enrollment and reenrollment period for the state plan
5	which shall correspond with the enrollment period for the federal
6	program as prescribed in P.L. 108-173 or any subsequent federal
7	legislation altering or replacing the same.
8	6. The Missouri senior prescription drug plan shall include
9	and provide coverage for only the prescription drugs that are
10	covered in the prescription drug plan sponsors' formulary
11	pursuant to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and
12	Modernization Act, P.L. 108-173 or any subsequent federal
13	legislation altering or replacing the same.
14	7. The Missouri senior prescription drug plan shall not
15	include coverage of the following drugs or classes of drugs, or
16	their medical uses:
17	(1) Agents when used for anorexia or weight gain;
18	(2) Agents when used to promote fertility;
19	(3) Agents when used for cosmetic purposes or hair growth;
20	(4) Agents when used for the symptomatic relief of cough
21	and colds;
22	(5) Prescription vitamins and mineral products, except
23	prenatal vitamins and fluoride preparations;
24	(6) Nonprescription drugs;

(7) Covered outpatient drugs which the manufacturer seeks

1	to require as a condition of sale that associated tests or
2	monitoring services be purchased exclusively from the
3	manufacturer or its designee;
4	(8) Barbiturates;
5	(9) Benzodiazepines.
6	8. The Missouri senior prescription drug plan shall also
7	exclude prescription drugs which are not "reasonable and
8	necessary" as defined pursuant to Section 1862(a) of P.L. 108-173
9	or any subsequent federal legislation altering or replacing the
10	same.
11	9. For the covered prescription drugs, the state shall not
12	be charged an amount in excess of the price charged pursuant to
13	the federal benefit in P.L. 108-173 or any subsequent federal
14	legislation altering or replacing the same.
15	208.582. 1. Under the Missouri senior prescription drug
16	plan, the department shall have the authority to:
17	(1) Contract with prescription drug plan sponsors for the
18	coordination of the Missouri senior prescription drug plan with
19	Medicare Part D;
20	(2) Contract with prescription drug plan sponsors for the
21	annual reenrollment and verification of eligibility of existing
22	enrollees and enrollment and verification of eligibility of new
23	applicants for the Missouri senior prescription drug plan;
24	(3) Adjust the fee payments for prescription drug plan
25	sponsors;

- (4) Set and adjust coinsurance at different amounts;
- 2 (5) Coordinate with the Missouri Senior Rx commission to
 3 avoid any duplication in coverage and to ensure a smooth
 4 transition between the senior Rx program and the Missouri senior
 5 prescription drug plan; and

- (6) Perform any other function necessary for the coordination of the Missouri senior prescription drug plan with Medicare Part D.
- 2. The department also shall apply to the United States

 Department of Health and Human Services for any applicable

 federal waivers or public or private grants.
- 3. The department shall have rulemaking authority for the implementation and administration of sections 208.580 to 208.586.

 Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2004, shall be invalid and void.
 - 4. The department shall request that the state of Missouri

1	be included in the Medicare Part D state pharmaceutical
2	transition commission.
3	208.584. 1. Subject to appropriations, there is hereby
4	established the "Missouri Senior Prescription Drug Plan
5	Clearinghouse" within the Missouri senior prescription drug plan.
6	The department shall direct the state health insurance assistance
7	program (SHIP) to administer the clearinghouse activities. The
8	purpose of the clearinghouse shall include, but not be limited
9	to:
10	(1) Assist all Missouri residents in accessing prescription
11	drug programs;
12	(2) Educate the public on quality drug programs and
13	cost-containment strategies; and
14	(3) Serve as a resource for pharmaceutical benefit issues.
15	2. The administration of the clearinghouse shall include,
16	<pre>but not be limited to:</pre>
17	(1) Providing a one-stop-shopping clearinghouse for all
18	information for seniors regarding prescription drug coverage
19	programs and health insurance issues;
20	(2) Targeting outreach and education including print and
21	media, social service and health care providers to promote the
22	plan and clearinghouse;
23	(3) Maintaining a toll-free 800-phone number staffed by
24	trained customer service representatives; and
25	(4) Providing information on eligibility, enrollment, and

benefits for the Missouri senior prescription drug plan and the

Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act,

P.L. 108-173 or any subsequent federal legislation altering or

replacing the same, on the department of health and senior

services Internet web site.

- 208.586. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Missouri Senior Prescription Drug Plan Fund", which shall consist of all moneys deposited in the fund pursuant to sections 208.580 to 208.588 and all moneys which may be appropriated to it by the general assembly, from federal or other sources.
- 2. The state treasurer shall be the custodian of the fund and credit all interest to the fund and the moneys in the fund shall be used solely by the department of health and senior services for the coordination of the Missouri senior prescription drug plan established in sections 208.580 to 208.588 with Medicare Part D.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, moneys in the fund shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund at the end of the biennium.
- 208.588. The provisions of sections 208.580 to 208.586 shall sunset August 28, 2007.
- Section 1. Nothing in sections 208.580 to 208.586, RSMo, shall be construed by any court of this state to require any payment or transfer of state revenue in that fiscal year beyond the amount appropriated by the general assembly for that same

1 <u>fiscal year.</u>