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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES McGHEE (Sponsor), SATER, CHAPPELLE-NADAL,
SANDER AND BROWN (50) (Co-sponsors).

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 205, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the establishment of community health districts.

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

Section A. Chapter 205, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 205.563, to read as follows:

205.563. 1. The board of directors of any township may impose, by order or
2 ordinance, an annual real property tax to fund the establishment of a community health
3 district. The tax authorized in this section shall not exceed thirty-five cents per year on
4 each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation on all taxable real property within the
5 township. The tax authorized in this section shall be in addition to all other property taxes
6 imposed by law, and shall be stated separately from all other charges and taxes.
7 2. No order or ordinance adopted under this section shall become effective unless
8 the board of directors of the township submits to the voters residing within the township
9 at a state general, primary, or special election a proposal to authorize the board to impose
10 a tax under this section. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified
11 voters voting thereon are in favor of the question, then the tax shall become effective in the
12 tax year immediately following its approval. If a majority of the votes cast on the question
13 by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the question, then the tax shall not
14 become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under this section to the

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 **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15 qualified voters and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting
16 on the question.

17 3. The tax authorized in this section shall be levied and collected in the same
18 manner as other real property taxes are levied and collected within the township.

19 4. The board of directors of any township that has imposed a real property tax
20 under this section may submit the question of repeal of the tax to the voters on any date
21 available for elections for the township. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by
22 the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of repeal, that repeal shall become effective
23 on the first day of the tax year immediately following its approval. If a majority of the
24 votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal,
25 then the tax shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to
26 the qualified voters and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting
27 on the question.

28 5. Whenever the board of directors of any township that has imposed a real
29 property tax under this section receives a petition, signed by a number of registered voters
30 of the township equal to at least two percent of the number of registered voters of the
31 township voting in the last gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the tax,
32 the board shall submit to the voters of the township a proposal to repeal the tax. If a
33 majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor
34 of the repeal, the repeal shall become effective on the first day of the tax year immediately
35 following its approval. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified
36 voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the tax shall remain effective until the
37 question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal is approved
38 by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

39 6. If the real property tax is repealed or terminated by any means, all funds
40 collected under the tax shall continue to be used solely for the designated purposes.

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