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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES POLLOCK (Sponsor), WRIGHT,
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AN ACT

To amend chapter 162, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to students participating in school clubs.

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

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 167.028, to read as follows:

167.028. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "**Clubs and organizations**", any club or organization comprised of students who wish to organize and meet for common goals, objectives, or purposes and which is directly under the sponsorship, direction, and control of the school. This term shall include any activities reasonably related to such clubs and organizations, but shall not include competitive interscholastic activities or events;

(2) "**Competitive interscholastic activity**", any function held under the auspices or sponsorship of a school that involves its students in competition between individuals or groups representing two or more schools.

2. Each local board of education shall include in its student handbook or code of conduct distributed annually at the beginning of each school year information regarding school clubs and organizations. Such information shall include without limitation the name of the club or organization, mission or purpose of the club or organization, name of the club's or organization's faculty advisor, and a description of past or planned activities.

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 **The local board of education shall provide a form for the parent or guardian to decline**
16 **permission for his or her student to participate in a club or organization designated by him**
17 **or her.**

18 **3. For clubs or organizations started during the school year, the local board of**
19 **education shall require written permission from a parent or guardian prior to a student's**
20 **participation.**

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