FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 122

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Judiciary March 6, 2007 with recommendation that House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 122 Do Pass. Referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Rule 25(21)(f).

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AN ACT

To repeal section 302.341, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to revenues generated by moving traffic violations.

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

Section A. Section 302.341, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 302.341, to read as follows:

302.341. 1. If a Missouri resident charged with a moving traffic violation of this state 2 or any county or municipality of this state fails to dispose of the charges of which he or she is 3 accused through authorized prepayment of fine and court costs and fails to appear on the return 4 date or at any subsequent date to which the case has been continued, or without good cause fails to pay any fine or court costs assessed against him or her for any such violation within the period 5 6 of time specified or in such installments as approved by the court or as otherwise provided by law, any court having jurisdiction over the charges shall within ten days of the failure to comply 7 8 inform the defendant by ordinary mail at the last address shown on the court records that the court will order the director of revenue to suspend the defendant's driving privileges if the 9 charges are not disposed of and fully paid within thirty days from the date of mailing. Thereafter, 10 11 if the defendant fails to timely act to dispose of the charges and fully pay any applicable fines and court costs, the court shall notify the director of revenue of such failure and of the pending 12 charges against the defendant. Upon receipt of this notification, the director shall suspend the 13 14 license of the driver, effective immediately, and provide notice of the suspension to the driver

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.

at the last address for the driver shown on the records of the department of revenue. Such 15 suspension shall remain in effect until the court with the subject pending charge requests setting 16 aside the noncompliance suspension pending final disposition, or satisfactory evidence of 17 18 disposition of pending charges and payment of fine and court costs, if applicable, is furnished 19 to the director by the individual. Upon proof of disposition of charges and payment of fine and court costs, if applicable, and payment of the reinstatement fee as set forth in section 302.304, 20 21 the director shall reinstate the license. The filing of financial responsibility with the bureau of 22 safety responsibility, department of revenue, shall not be required as a condition of reinstatement 23 of a driver's license suspended solely under the provisions of this section. If any city, town, or 24 village receives more than [forty-five] thirty-five percent of its [total] annual general operating 25 revenue from fines and court costs for traffic violations occurring on state highways, all 26 revenues from such violations in excess of [forty-five] thirty-five percent of the [total] annual 27 general operating revenue of the city, town, or village shall be sent to the director of the 28 department of revenue and shall be distributed annually to the schools of the county in the same manner that proceeds of all penalties, forfeitures and fines collected for any breach of the penal 29 laws of the state are distributed. For the purpose of this section the words "state highways" shall 30 31 mean any state or federal highway, including any such highway continuing through the 32 boundaries of a city, town or village with a designated street name other than the state highway 33 number.

34 2. If any city, town, or village fails to send such excess revenues to the director of 35 the department of revenue in a timely fashion which shall be set forth by the director by rule, such city, town, or village shall submit to an annual audit by the state auditor 36 37 pursuant to the authority of article IV, section 13 of the Missouri Constitution. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under 38 the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and 39 40 is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, 41 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 42 43 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, 44 then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 45 2007, shall be invalid and void.

3. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable prior to January 1, 2010,
for any county with a charter form of government and with more than six hundred
thousand but fewer than seven hundred thousand inhabitants.