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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES McGHEE (Sponsor), SCHAAF, STEVENSON, ROORDA, RUESTMAN, CHAPPELLE-NADAL AND GUEST (Co-sponsors).

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AN ACT

To amend chapters 441, 524, 534, and 535, RSMo, by adding thereto four new sections relating to certain parties being allowed to prosecute their claims and defenses without the assistance of an attorney.

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

Section A. Chapter 441, 524, 534, and 535, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto four new sections, to be known as sections 441.715, 524.045, 534.025, and 535.025, to read as 2 3 follows:

441.715. Parties may prosecute their claims and defenses without the assistance of an attorney. Corporations or unincorporated associations may enter their appearance and 2 3 be represented by a president or vice-president. Such representation shall not be deemed

the unauthorized practice of law. 4

524.045. Parties may prosecute their claims and defenses without the assistance of an attorney. Corporations or unincorporated associations may enter their appearance and 2

- 3 be represented by a president or vice-president. Such representation shall not be deemed
- 4 the unauthorized practice of law.

534.025. Parties may prosecute their claims and defenses without the assistance of an attorney. Corporations or unincorporated associations may enter their appearance and 2

- 3 be represented by a president or vice-president. Such representation shall not be deemed
- the unauthorized practice of law. 4

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.

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535.025. Parties may prosecute their claims and defenses without the assistance of

- $2 \quad \text{an attorney. Corporations or unincorporated associations may enter their appearance and} \\$
- 3 be represented by a president or vice-president. Such representation shall not be deemed
- 4 the unauthorized practice of law.