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94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 577, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to a statewide curfew for minors, with a penalty provision.

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

Section A. Chapter 577, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto three new sections, to be
2 known as sections 577.650, 577.655, and 577.670, to read as follows:

**577.650. No minor less than seventeen years of age shall loiter, idle, wander, stroll,
2 or drive or ride in an automobile, or play in or upon the public streets, highways, roads,
3 alleys, parks, playgrounds, wharves, docks, or other public grounds, public places and
4 public buildings, places of amusement and entertainment, vacant lots or other
5 unsupervised places between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. of the following day,
6 except on Fridays and Saturdays when the hours shall be 12:00 midnight to 6:00 a.m. of
7 the following day; except that, this section shall not apply to a minor accompanied by his
8 or her parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor,
9 or where the minor is upon an emergency errand or legitimate business directed by his or
10 her parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody of the minor.**

**577.655. No parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care and custody
2 of a minor less than seventeen years of age shall knowingly permit such minor to loiter,
3 idle, wander, stroll, or play in or upon the public streets, highways, roads, alleys, parks,
4 playgrounds, wharves, docks, or other public grounds, public places and public buildings,**

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.

5 places of amusement and entertainment, vacant lots or other unsupervised places between
6 the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. of the following day; except that, this section shall
7 not apply when the minor is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult
8 person having the care and custody of the minor, or where the minor is upon an emergency
9 errand or legitimate business directed by his or her parent, guardian, or other adult person
10 having the care and custody of the minor.

577.670. 1. Any law enforcement officer finding a minor in violation of section
2 577.650 shall warn the minor to cease and desist immediately from such violation. The law
3 enforcement officer may take the minor into custody and release him or her to his or her
4 parent or guardian, or release the minor at the scene with a written notice of referral to the
5 juvenile court. The juvenile court shall serve upon the parent or guardian or person in
6 charge of such minor the written notice setting forth the manner in which the minor
7 violated section 577.650.

8 2. After receiving notice of the first violation by the minor, any parent, guardian,
9 or other person in charge of such minor who knowingly permits such minor to again
10 violate the provisions of section 577.650 shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more
11 than one hundred dollars.

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