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AN ACT

To repeal sections 566.083 and 589.400, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to sexual misconduct involving a child, with penalty provisions.

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

- Section A. Sections 566.083 and 589.400, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 566.083, 566.084, and 589.400, to read as follows:
 - 566.083. 1. A person commits the crime of sexual misconduct involving a child **in the first degree** if the person:
 - (1) Knowingly exposes his or her genitals to a child less than fourteen years of age under circumstances in which he or she knows that his or her conduct is likely to cause affront or alarm to the child:
 - (2) Knowingly exposes his or her genitals to a child less than fourteen years of age for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person, including the child; or
- 8 (3) Knowingly coerces or induces a child less than fourteen years of age to expose the 9 child's genitals for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person, 10 including the child.
- 2. The provisions of this section shall apply regardless of whether the person violates the section in person or via the Internet or other electronic means.

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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3. It is not an affirmative defense to prosecution for a violation of this section that the other person was a peace officer masquerading as a minor.

4. Sexual misconduct involving a child **in the first degree** is a class D felony unless the actor has previously pleaded guilty to or been found guilty of an offense pursuant to this chapter or the actor has previously pleaded guilty to or has been convicted of an offense against the laws of another state or jurisdiction which would constitute an offense under this chapter, in which case it is a class C felony.

566.084. 1. A person commits the infraction of sexual misconduct involving a child in the second degree if, while being under the age of eighteen, the person:

- (1) Has sexual intercourse with another child who is at least fourteen years of age but less than eighteen years of age and there is twenty-four-month difference in age, or less, between the parties;
- (2) Has deviate sexual intercourse with another child who is at least fourteen years of age but less than eighteen years of age and there is twenty-four-month difference in age, or less, between the parties;
- (3) Knowingly exposes his or her genitals to another child who is at least fourteen years of age but less than eighteen years of age and there is twenty-four-month difference in age, or less, between the parties, under circumstances in which he or she knows that his or her conduct is likely to cause an affront or alarm to the other child;
- (4) Knowingly exposes his or her genitals to another child who is at least fourteen years of age but less than eighteen years of age and there is twenty-four-month difference in age, or less, between the parties, for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desires of any person, including the other child;
- (5) Knowingly coerces or induces another child who is at least fourteen years of age but less than eighteen years of age and there is twenty-four-month difference in age, or less, between the parties, to expose that child's genitals for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person, including the child.
- 2. Sexual misconduct involving a child in the second degree is an infraction punishable by a fine in an amount not to exceed two hundred dollars.
 - 589.400. 1. Sections 589.400 to 589.425 shall apply to:
- 2 (1) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been or is hereafter convicted of, been found guilty of, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to committing, or attempting to commit, a felony offense of chapter 566, RSMo, including sexual trafficking of a child and sexual trafficking of a child under the age of twelve, or any offense of chapter 566, RSMo, where the victim is a minor except sexual misconduct involving a child in the second degree under section 566.084, RSMo; or

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(2) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been or is hereafter convicted of, been found guilty of, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to committing, or attempting to commit one or more of the following offenses: kidnapping when the victim was a child and the defendant was not a parent or guardian of the child; felonious restraint when the victim was a child and the defendant 12 is not a parent or guardian of the child; sexual contact or sexual intercourse with a resident of a 13 nursing home, under section 565.200, RSMo; endangering the welfare of a child under section 14 568.045, RSMo, when the endangerment is sexual in nature; genital mutilation of a female child, under section 568.065, RSMo; promoting prostitution in the first degree; promoting prostitution in the second degree; promoting prostitution in the third degree; sexual exploitation of a minor; promoting child pornography in the first degree; promoting child pornography in the second degree; possession of child pornography; furnishing pornographic material to minors; public display of explicit sexual material; coercing acceptance of obscene material; promoting obscenity in the first degree; promoting pornography for minors or obscenity in the second degree; incest; use of a child in a sexual performance; or promoting sexual performance by a child; and committed or attempted to commit the offense against a victim who is a minor, defined for the purposes of sections 589.400 to 589.425 as a person under eighteen years of age; or

- (3) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been committed to the department of mental health as a criminal sexual psychopath; or
- (4) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been found not guilty as a result of mental disease or defect of any offense listed in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection; or
- (5) Any person who is a resident of this state who has, since July 1, 1979, or is hereafter convicted of, been found guilty of, or pled guilty to or nolo contendere in any other state, foreign country, or under federal or military jurisdiction to committing, or attempting to commit, an offense which, if committed in this state, would be a violation of chapter 566, RSMo, except sexual misconduct involving a child in the second degree under section 566.084, RSMo, or a felony violation of any offense listed in subdivision (2) of this subsection or has been or is required to register in another state or has been or is required to register under federal or military law; or
- (6) Any person who has been or is required to register in another state or has been or is required to register under federal or military law and who works or attends school or training on a full-time or on a part-time basis or has a temporary residence in Missouri. "Part-time" in this subdivision means for more than fourteen days in any twelve-month period.
- 2. Any person to whom sections 589.400 to 589.425 apply shall, within ten days of conviction, release from incarceration, or placement upon probation, register with the chief law enforcement official of the county or city not within a county in which such person resides unless such person has already registered in that county for the same offense. Any person to whom

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sections 589.400 to 589.425 apply if not currently registered in their county of residence shall register with the chief law enforcement official of such county or city not within a county within ten days of August 28, 2003. The chief law enforcement official shall forward a copy of the registration form required by section 589.407 to a city, town, village, or campus law enforcement agency located within the county of the chief law enforcement official, if so requested. Such request may ask the chief law enforcement official to forward copies of all registration forms filed with such official. The chief law enforcement official may forward a copy of such registration form to any city, town, village, or campus law enforcement agency, if so requested.

- 3. The registration requirements of sections 589.400 through 589.425 are lifetime registration requirements unless:
 - (1) All offenses requiring registration are reversed, vacated or set aside;
 - (2) The registrant is pardoned of the offenses requiring registration;
- (3) The registrant is no longer required to register and his or her name shall be removed from the registry under the provisions of subsection 6 of this section; or
- (4) The registrant may petition the court for removal from the registry under subsection 7 or 8 of this section and the court orders the removal of such person from the registry.
- 4. For processing an initial sex offender registration the chief law enforcement officer of the county or city not within a county may charge the offender registering a fee of up to ten dollars.
- 5. For processing any change in registration required pursuant to section 589.414 the chief law enforcement official of the county or city not within a county may charge the person changing their registration a fee of five dollars for each change made after the initial registration.
- 6. Effective August 28, 2006, any person currently on the sexual offender registry for being convicted of, found guilty of, or pleading guilty or nolo contendere to committing felonious restraint when the victim was a child and he or she was the parent or guardian of the child, nonsexual child abuse that was committed under section 568.060, RSMo, or kidnapping when the victim was a child and he or she was the parent or guardian of the child shall be removed from the registry. However, such person shall remain on the sexual offender registry for any other offense for which he or she is required to register under sections 589.400 to 589.425.
- 7. Effective August 28, 2006, any person currently on the sexual offender registry for having been convicted of, found guilty of, or having pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to promoting prostitution in the second degree, promoting prostitution in the third degree, public display of explicit sexual material, statutory rape in the second degree, and no physical force or threat of physical force was used in the commission of the crime, may file a petition in the civil division of the circuit court in the county in which the offender was convicted or found guilty

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of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to the offense or offenses for the removal of his or her name from the sexual offender registry after ten years have passed from the date he or she was required to register.

- 8. Effective August 28, 2006, any person on the sexual offender registry for having been convicted of, found guilty of, or having pled guilty or nolo contendere to an offense included under subsection 1 of this section may file a petition after two years have passed from the date the offender was convicted or found guilty of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to the offense or offenses in the civil division of the circuit court in the county in which the offender was convicted or found guilty of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to the offense or offenses for removal of his or her name from the registry if such person was nineteen years of age or younger and the victim was thirteen years of age or older at the time of the offense and no physical force or threat of physical force was used in the commission of the offense.
- 9. (1) The court may grant such relief under subsection 7 or 8 of this section if such person demonstrates to the court that he or she has complied with the provisions of this section and is not a current or potential threat to public safety. The prosecuting attorney in the circuit court in which the petition is filed must be given notice, by the person seeking removal from the registry, of the petition to present evidence in opposition to the requested relief or may otherwise demonstrate the reasons why the petition should be denied. Failure of the person seeking removal from the registry to notify the prosecuting attorney of the petition shall result in an automatic denial of such person's petition. If the prosecuting attorney is notified of the petition he or she shall make reasonable efforts to notify the victim of the crime for which the person was required to register of the petition and the dates and times of any hearings or other proceedings in connection with that petition.
- (2) If the petition is denied, such person shall wait at least twelve months before petitioning the court again. If the court finds that the petitioner is entitled to relief, which removes such person's name from the registry, a certified copy of the written findings or order shall be forwarded by the court to the chief law enforcement official having jurisdiction over the offender and to the Missouri state highway patrol in order to have such person's name removed from the registry.
- 10. Any nonresident worker or nonresident student shall register for the duration of such person's employment or attendance at any school of higher education and is not entitled to relief under the provisions of subsection 9 of this section. Any registered offender from another state who has a temporary residence in this state and resides more than fourteen days in a twelve-month period shall register for the duration of such person's temporary residency and is not entitled to the provisions of subsection 9 of this section.

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11. Any person whose name is removed from the sexual offender registry under subsection 7 or 8 of this section shall no longer be required to fulfill the registration requirements of sections 589.400 to 589.425, unless such person is required to register for committing another offense after being removed from the registry.

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