## FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

## HOUSE BILL NO. 506

## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Education, April 15, 2009, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 9, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to math, engineering, technology and sciences week.

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

Section A. Chapter 9, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 9.138, to read as follows:

9.138. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the first week of March as "Math, Engineering, Technology and  $\mathbf{2}$ Science (METS) Week", and recommending to the people of the state 3 that the week be appropriately observed through activities that will 4 result in an increased awareness of the importance of advancing 5community interest in math, engineering, technology, and science 6 7 programs, and promote METS careers statewide in order to advance Missouri's workforce. The proclamation shall also recommend that the 8 week be observed with appropriate activities in public schools. Public 9 and private involvement in METS week demonstrates that fostering and 10 encouraging interest in the sciences is a major factor in determining 11 growth and success in school and will help students develop a focus on 12technology based careers after graduation. 13

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