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AN ACT

To repeal sections 192.925, 197.500, 198.006, 198.070, 198.090, 198.532, 208.909, 208.912, 208.915, 210.900, 210.906, 210.933, 565.180, 565.182, 565.184, 565.188, 565.200, 570.233, 660.010, 660.050, 660.053, 660.054, 660.055, 660.057, 660.058, 660.060, 660.062, 660.067, 660.069, 660.070, 660.099, 660.250, 660.255, 660.260, 660.261, 660.263, 660.265, 660.270, 660.275, 660.280, 660.285, 660.290, 660.295, 660.300, 660.305, 660.310, 660.315, 660.317, 660.320, 660.321, 660.400, 660.403, 660.405, 660.407, 660.409, 660.411, 660.414, 660.416, 660.418, 660.420, 660.512, 660.620, 660.625, 660.600, 660.605, 660.605, 660.608, and 660.725, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof sixty-one new sections relating to protections for senior citizens, disabled persons, and children, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Sections 192.925, 197.500, 198.006, 198.070, 198.090, 198.532, 208.909, 2 208.912, 208.915, 210.900, 210.906, 210.933, 565.180, 565.182, 565.184, 565.188, 565.200, 570.233, 660.010, 660.050, 660.053, 660.054, 660.055, 660.057, 660.058, 660.060, 660.062, 3 660.067, 660.069, 660.070, 660.099, 660.250, 660.255, 660.260, 660.261, 660.263, 660.265, 4 5 660.270, 660.275, 660.280, 660.285, 660.290, 660.295, 660.300, 660.305, 660.310, 660.315, 660.317, 660.320, 660.321, 660.400, 660.403, 660.405, 660.407, 660.409, 660.411, 660.414, 6 660.416, 660.418, 660.420, 660.512, 660.620, 660.625, 660.600, 660.603, 660.605, 660.608, and 7 8 660.725, RSMo, are repealed and sixty-one new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 192.925, 192.2000, 192.2001, 192.2003, 192.2006, 192.2009, 192.2012, 192.2015, 9

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.

192.2020, 192.2025, 192.2030, 192.2033, 192.2035, 192.2040, 192.2100, 192.2103, 192.2106,
 192.2109, 192.2112, 192.2115, 192.2118, 192.2121, 192.2124, 192.2127, 192.2130, 192.2150,
 192.2153, 192.2175, 192.2178, 192.2181, 192.2184, 192.2187, 192.2200, 192.2203, 192.2206,
 192.2209, 192.2212, 192.2215, 192.2218, 192.2221, 192.2224, 192.2227, 192.2250, 192.2253,
 198.006, 198.090, 198.532, 198.700, 198.703, 198.705, 198.708, 208.909, 210.900, 210.906,
 565.180, 565.182, 565.184, 565.188, 565.200, 570.233, and 660.010, to read as follows:

192.925. 1. To increase public awareness of the problem of elder abuse and neglect and financial exploitation of the elderly, the department of health and senior services shall implement an education and awareness program. Such program shall have the goal of reducing the incidences of elder abuse and neglect and financial exploitation of the elderly, and may focus on:

6 (1) The education and awareness of mandatory reporters on their responsibility to report
7 elder abuse and neglect and financial exploitation of the elderly;

8 (2) Targeted education and awareness for the public on the problem, identification and 9 reporting of elder abuse and neglect **and financial exploitation of the elderly**;

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(3) Publicizing the elder abuse and neglect hot line telephone number;

(4) Education and awareness for law enforcement agencies and prosecutors on the
problem and identification of elder abuse and neglect and financial exploitation of the elderly,
and the importance of prosecuting cases pursuant to chapter 565, RSMo; and

(5) Publicizing the availability of background checks prior to hiring an individual forcaregiving purposes.

2. The department of social services and facilities licensed pursuant to chapters 197 and
17 198, RSMo, shall cooperate fully with the department of health and senior services in the
distribution of information pursuant to this program.

[660.050.] 192.2000. 1. The "Division of Aging" is hereby transferred from the 2 department of social services to the department of health and senior services by a type I transfer 3 as defined in the Omnibus State Reorganization Act of 1974. All references in the revised 4 statutes of Missouri to the division of aging shall include any division or divisions established by the department as a successor division or divisions to the division of aging. 5 The division shall aid and assist the elderly and low-income [handicapped] adults with 6 7 disabilities living in the state of Missouri to secure and maintain maximum economic and 8 personal independence and dignity. The division shall regulate adult long-term care facilities 9 pursuant to the laws of this state and rules and regulations of federal and state agencies, to 10 safeguard the lives and rights of residents in these facilities.

2. In addition to its duties and responsibilities enumerated pursuant to other provisionsof law, the division shall:

(1) Serve as advocate for the elderly by promoting a comprehensive, coordinated service
program through administration of Older Americans Act (OAA) programs (Title III) P.L. 89-73,
(42 U.S.C. 3001, et seq.), as amended;

16 (2) Assure that an information and referral system is developed and operated for the 17 elderly, including information on the Missouri care options program;

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(3) Provide technical assistance, planning and training to local area agencies on aging;

(4) Contract with the federal government to conduct surveys of long-term care facilitiescertified for participation in the Title XVIII program;

(5) Serve as liaison between the department of health and senior services and the Federal
Health Standards and Quality Bureau, as well as the Medicare and Medicaid portions of the
United States Department of Health and Human Services;

(6) Conduct medical review (inspections of care) activities such as utilization reviews,
independent professional reviews, and periodic medical reviews to determine medical and social
needs for the purpose of eligibility for Title XIX, and for level of care determination;

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(7) Certify long-term care facilities for participation in the Title XIX program;

(8) Conduct a survey and review of compliance with P.L. 96-566 Sec. 505(d) for
Supplemental Security Income recipients in long-term care facilities and serve as the liaison
between the Social Security Administration and the department of health and senior services
concerning Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries;

32 (9) Review plans of proposed long-term care facilities before they are constructed to33 determine if they meet applicable state and federal construction standards;

(10) Provide consultation to long-term care facilities in all areas governed by state andfederal regulations;

(11) Serve as the central state agency with primary responsibility for the planning,
coordination, development, and evaluation of policy, programs, and services for elderly persons
in Missouri consistent with the provisions of subsection 1 of this section and serve as the
designated state unit on aging, as defined in the Older Americans Act of 1965;

40 (12) With the advice of the governor's advisory council on aging, develop long-range 41 state plans for programs, services, and activities for elderly [and handicapped] persons **and long-**42 **term care options for elderly persons and adults with disabilities**. State plans should be 43 revised annually and should be based on area agency on aging plans, statewide priorities, and 44 state and federal requirements;

(13) Receive and disburse all federal and state funds allocated to the division and solicit,
accept, and administer grants, including federal grants, or gifts made to the division or to the
state for the benefit of elderly persons in this state;

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48 (14) Serve, within government and in the state at large, as an advocate for elderly 49 persons by holding hearings and conducting studies or investigations concerning matters affecting the health, safety, and welfare of elderly persons and by assisting elderly persons to 50 51 assure their rights to apply for and receive services and to be given fair hearings when such 52 services are denied;

53 (15) Provide information and technical assistance to the governor's advisory council on 54 aging and keep the council continually informed of the activities of the division;

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(16)After consultation with the governor's advisory council on aging, make 56 recommendations for legislative action to the governor and to the general assembly;

57 (17) Conduct research and other appropriate activities to determine the needs of elderly persons in this state, including, but not limited to, their needs for social and health services, and 58 59 to determine what existing services and facilities, private and public, are available to elderly 60 persons to meet those needs;

61 (18) Maintain [and serve as a clearinghouse for] information regarding resources that 62 **provide** up-to-date information and technical assistance related to the needs and interests of elderly persons and persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias, including information 63 64 on the Missouri care options program, dementia-specific training materials and dementia-specific 65 trainers. Such dementia-specific information and technical assistance shall be [maintained and] provided in consultation with agencies, organizations and/or institutions of higher learning with 66 67 expertise in dementia care;

68 (19) Provide area agencies on aging with assistance in applying for federal, state, and private grants and identifying new funding sources; 69

70 (20) Determine area agencies on aging annual allocations for Title XX and Title III of 71 the Older Americans Act expenditures;

72 (21) Provide transportation services, home-delivered and congregate meals, in-home 73 services, counseling and other services to the elderly and low-income [handicapped] adults with 74 disabilities as designated in the Social Services Block Grant Report, through contract with other 75 agencies, and shall monitor such agencies to ensure that services contracted for are delivered and 76 meet standards of quality set by the division;

77 (22) Monitor the process pursuant to the federal Patient Self-determination Act, 42 78 U.S.C. 1396a (w), in long-term care facilities by which information is provided to patients 79 concerning durable powers of attorney and living wills.

80 3. The division director, subject to the supervision of the director of the department of health and senior services, shall be the chief administrative officer of the division and shall 81 82 exercise for the division the powers and duties of an appointing authority pursuant to chapter 36,

RSMo, to employ such administrative, technical and other personnel as may be necessary for the
performance of the duties and responsibilities of the division.

85 4. The division may withdraw designation of an area agency on aging only when it can 86 be shown the federal or state laws or rules have not been complied with, state or federal funds 87 are not being expended for the purposes for which they were intended, or the elderly are not 88 receiving appropriate services within available resources, and after consultation with the director 89 of the area agency on aging and the area agency board. Withdrawal of any particular program of services may be appealed to the director of the department of health and senior services and 90 91 the governor. In the event that the division withdraws the area agency on aging designation in 92 accordance with the Older Americans Act, the division shall administer the services to clients 93 previously performed by the area agency on aging until a new area agency on aging is designated.

5. Any person hired by the department of health and senior services after August 13, 1988, to conduct or supervise inspections, surveys or investigations pursuant to chapter 198, RSMo, shall complete at least one hundred hours of basic orientation regarding the inspection process and applicable rules and statutes during the first six months of employment. Any such person shall annually, on the anniversary date of employment, present to the department evidence of having completed at least twenty hours of continuing education in at least two of the following

100 categories: communication techniques, skills development, resident care, or policy update.

101 The department of health and senior services shall by rule describe the curriculum and structure102 of such continuing education.

103 6. The division may issue and promulgate rules to enforce, implement and effectuate the 104 powers and duties established in this section [and sections 198.070 and 198.090, RSMo, and 105 sections 660.250 and 660.300 to 660.320], section 192.2100, sections 192.2150 to 192.2187, and section 198.090, RSMo. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 106 107 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become 108 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, 109 and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are 110 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, 111 RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently 112 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted 113 after August 28, 2001, shall be invalid and void.

114 7. Missouri care options is a program, operated and coordinated by the [division of 115 aging] **department**, which informs individuals of the variety of care options available to them 116 when they may need long-term care.

8. The division shall, by January 1, 2002, establish minimum dementia-specific training
requirements for employees involved in the delivery of care to persons with Alzheimer's disease

119 or related dementias who are employed by skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities,

120 residential care facilities, agencies providing in-home care services authorized by the [division

121 of aging] **department**, adult day-care programs, independent contractors providing direct care 122 to persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias and the [division of aging] department. 123 Such training shall be incorporated into new employee orientation and ongoing in-service 124 curricula for all employees involved in the care of persons with dementia. The department of 125 health and senior services shall, by January 1, 2002, establish minimum dementia-specific 126 training requirements for employees involved in the delivery of care to persons with Alzheimer's 127 disease or related dementias who are employed by home health and hospice agencies licensed 128 by chapter 197, RSMo. Such training shall be incorporated into the home health and hospice 129 agency's new employee orientation and ongoing in-service curricula for all employees involved 130 in the care of persons with dementia. The dementia training need not require additional hours

131 of orientation or ongoing in-service. Training shall include at a minimum, the following:

(1) For employees providing direct care to persons with Alzheimer's disease or related
dementias, the training shall include an overview of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias,
communicating with persons with dementia, behavior management, promoting independence in
activities of daily living, and understanding and dealing with family issues;

(2) For other employees who do not provide direct care for, but may have daily contact
with, persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias, the training shall include an
overview of dementias and communicating with persons with dementia.

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140 As used in this subsection, the term "employee" includes persons hired as independent 141 contractors. The training requirements of this subsection shall not be construed as superceding 142 any other laws or rules regarding dementia-specific training.

9. All powers, duties, and functions of the board of nursing home administrators
contained in chapter 344, RSMo, are transferred by type I transfer to the department of
health and senior services.

[660.060.] 192.2001. All authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel,
property, contracts, budgets, matters pending and other pertinent vestiges of the division of aging
shall be transferred to the department of health and senior services.

[660.053.] **192.2003.** As used in [section 199.025, RSMo, and sections 660.050 to

2 660.057 and 660.400 to 660.420] sections 192.2000 to 192.2040 and sections 192.2200 to
3 192.2227, the following terms mean:

4 (1) "Area agency on aging", the agency designated by the division in a planning and 5 service area to develop and administer a plan and administer available funds for a comprehensive

6 and coordinated system of services for the elderly and persons with disabilities who require7 similar services;

8 (2) "Area agency board", the local policy-making board which directs the actions of the 9 area agency on aging under state and federal laws and regulations;

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(3) "Department", the department of health and senior services;

11 (4) "Director", the director of the [division of aging of the Missouri] department of

12 [social] health and senior services, or the director's designee;

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[(4) "Division", the division of aging of the Missouri department of social services;]

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(5) "Elderly" or "elderly persons", persons who are sixty years of age or older;

(6) "Disability", a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more
major life activities, whether the impairment is congenital or acquired by accident, injury or
disease, where such impairment is verified by medical findings;

(7) "Local government", a political subdivision of the state whose authority is generalor a combination of units of general purpose local governments;

20 (8) "Major life activities", functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual 21 tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working;

(9) ["Medicaid"] "MO HealthNet", medical assistance provided under section 208.151,
RSMo, et seq., in compliance with Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the Social
Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), as amended;

(10) "Protective services", a service provided by the [Missouri division of aging in response to the need for protection from harm or neglect to eligible adults under sections 660.250 to 660.295] state or other governmental or private organizations or individuals to ensure the safety and well being of elderly persons or adults with disabilities who are in danger of being mistreated or neglected, and are unable to take care of themselves or protect themselves from harm.

30 themselves from harm;

(11) "Registered caregiver", a person who provides primary long-term care for an elderly
 person and wishes to receive information, services or support from the shared care program;

(12) "Shared care", a program administered by the [division of aging] department in
 which Missouri families who provide primary long-term care for an elderly person and register
 as a shared care member with the [division of aging] department shall receive access to certain
 supportive services and may receive a state tax credit;

37 (13) "Shared care community project", a project in a community that offers to help38 support shared care participation through development of programs;

39 (14) "Shared care member", a registered caregiver or shared care provider who registers
40 with the [division of aging] department in order to participate in the shared care program;

(15) "Shared care provider", any state authorized long-term care provider in the state,
including, but not limited to, in-home, home health, hospice, adult day care, residential care
facility or assisted living facility, or nursing home, who voluntarily registers with the [division
of aging] department to be available as a resource for the shared care program;

45 (16) "Shared care tax credit", a tax credit to registered caregivers who meet the 46 requirements of section [660.055] **192.2009**.

[660.054.] 192.2006. 1. The [division of aging of the department of social] department
of health and senior services shall establish a program to help families who provide the primary
long-term care for an elderly person. This program shall be known as "shared care" and has the
following goals:

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(1) To provide services and support for families caring for an elderly person;

6 (2) To increase awareness of the variety of privately funded services which may be 7 available to those persons caring for an elderly person;

8 (3) To increase awareness of the variety of government services which may be available9 to those caring for an elderly person;

(4) Recognition on an annual basis by the governor for those families participating in the
 shared care program and community project groups participating in the shared care program;

(5) To provide a tax credit to members who meet the qualifications pursuant to section[660.055] **192.2009**; and

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(6) To promote community involvement by:

(a) Providing local communities information about the shared care program and to
encourage the establishment of support groups where none are available and to support existing
support groups, and other programs for shared care members and providers to share ideas,
information and resources on caring for an elderly person; and

(b) Encouraging local home care, adult day care or other long-term care providers, who
have regularly scheduled training sessions for paid caregivers, to voluntarily invite shared care
members to participate in education and training sessions at no cost to the registered caregivers.
Such providers shall not be held liable in any civil or criminal action related to or arising out of
the participation or training of shared care members in such sessions.

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2. To further the goals of the shared care program, the director shall:

(1) Promulgate specific rules and procedures for the shared care program. Any rule or
portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the
authority delegated in sections [660.050 to 660.057] 192.2000 to 192.2012 shall become
effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo,
and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to August
28, 1999, is of no force and effect and repealed. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to

31 repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to August 28, 1999, if it fully 32 complied with all applicable provisions of law. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are 33 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, 34 RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently 35 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted 36 after August 28, 1999, shall be invalid and void;

37 (2) Maintain a registry of names and addresses of shared care members and shared care38 providers;

39 (3) [Compile a list, updated annually, of] Maintain a web site with links to public and 40 private resources, services and programs which may be available to assist and support the 41 registered caregiver with caring for the elderly. Such [list] web site shall be [given] available 42 to shared care members along with information on shared care providers in their community. Private organizations and providers shall be responsible for [providing] updating information 43 to the [division of aging] department for inclusion on the [list] web site. The [division of 44 45 aging] **department** shall establish reporting procedures for private organizations and publicly 46 disseminate the [division's] department's guidelines statewide;

47 (4) [Compile and distribute to shared care members] Post information on the Internet 48 regarding resources that contain information about [the] services and benefits of the shared care program [and a bibliography of] with links to resources and materials with information 49 helpful to such members. The [bibliography will give members an overview] web links shall 50 provide access to an array of available information and is not required to be comprehensive; 51 52 (5) Encourage shared care providers, consumer groups, churches and other philanthropic 53 organizations to help local communities develop local support systems where none are available 54 and to support existing support groups for persons caring for elderly persons and make [division] 55 **department** staff available, if possible;

56 (6) In conjunction with the director of revenue, develop a physician certification for 57 shared care tax credit form to be given to registered caregivers upon request. The form shall 58 require, but is not limited to:

(a) Identifying information about the registered caregiver for tax purposes, and the
signature of the registered caregiver certifying that he or she qualifies for the shared care tax
credit as provided in section [660.055] 192.2009;

62 (b) Identifying information about the elderly person receiving care for verification63 purposes;

(c) Identifying information about and the signature of the physician licensed pursuant
 to the provisions of chapter 334, RSMo, for verification and certification purposes;

66 (d) A description by such physician of the physical or mental condition of the elderly 67 person that makes them incapable of living alone and lists the care, assistance with daily living 68 and oversight needed at home in order to prevent placement in a facility licensed pursuant to 69 chapter 198, RSMo; and

(e) A complete explanation of the shared care tax credit and its guidelines and directions
on completion of the form and how to file for the shared care tax credit with the department of
revenue; and

(7) In conjunction with the director of revenue, develop a [division of aging] **department** certification for shared care tax credit form to be given at the request of the
registered caregivers when a [division of aging] **department** assessment has been completed for
other purposes. The form shall require, but is not limited to:

(a) Identifying information about the registered caregiver for tax purposes, and the
signature of the registered caregiver certifying that he or she qualifies for the shared care tax
credit as provided in section [660.055] 192.2009;

80 (b) Identifying information about the elderly person receiving care for verification 81 purposes;

(c) Identifying information about and the signature of the [division of aging] department
 staff for verification and certification purposes;

(d) A description by the [division of aging] department staff of the physical or mental
condition of the elderly person that makes them incapable of living alone and lists the care,
assistance with daily living and oversight needed at home in order to prevent placement in a
facility licensed pursuant to chapter 198, RSMo; and

(e) A complete explanation of the shared care tax credit and its guidelines and directions
for completing the form and how to file for the shared care tax credit with the department of
revenue.

91 3. Funds appropriated for the shared care program shall be appropriated to and
92 administered by the department of [social] health and senior services.

[660.055.] **192.2009.** 1. Any registered caregiver who meets the requirements of this section shall be eligible for a shared care tax credit in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars to defray the cost of caring for an elderly person. In order to be eligible for a shared care tax credit, a registered caregiver shall:

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(1) Care for an elderly person, age sixty or older, who:

6 (a) Is physically or mentally incapable of living alone, as determined and certified by his
7 or her physician licensed pursuant to chapter 334, RSMo, or by the [division of aging]
8 department staff when an assessment has been completed for the purpose of qualification for
9 other services; and

(b) Requires assistance with activities of daily living to the extent that without care and
 oversight at home would require placement in a facility licensed pursuant to chapter 198, RSMo;
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(c) Under no circumstances, is able or allowed to operate a motor vehicle; and

(d) Does not receive funding or services through [Medicaid] MO HealthNet or social
 services block grant funding;

(2) Live in the same residence to give protective oversight for the elderly person meeting
the requirements described in subdivision (1) of this subsection for an aggregate of more than
six months per tax year;

(3) Not receive monetary compensation for providing care for the elderly person meetingthe requirements described in subdivision (1) of this subsection; and

(4) File the original completed and signed physician certification for shared care tax
credit form or the original completed and signed [division of aging] department certification
for shared care tax credit form provided for in subsection 2 of section [660.054] 192.2006 along
with such caregiver's Missouri individual income tax return to the department of revenue.

25 2. The tax credit allowed by this section shall apply to any year beginning after 26 December 31, 1999.

27 3. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in sections [660.050 to 660.057] 192.2000 to 192.2012 28 29 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 30 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. All rulemaking authority delegated prior 31 to August 28, 1999, is of no force and effect and repealed. Nothing in this section shall be 32 interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to August 28, 1999, 33 if it fully complied with all applicable provisions of law. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, 34 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are 35 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed 36 37 or adopted after August 28, 1999, shall be invalid and void.

4. Any person who knowingly falsifies any document required for the shared care tax
credit shall be subject to the same penalties for falsifying other tax documents as provided in
chapter 143, RSMo.

[660.057.] **192.2012.** 1. On and after August 13, 1984, an area agency on aging shall operate with local administrative responsibility for Title III of the Older Americans Act, and other funds allocated to it by the [division] **department**. The area agency board shall be responsible for all actions of an area agency on aging in its jurisdiction, including, but not limited to, the accountability for funds and compliance with federal and state laws and rules. Such

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6 responsibility shall include all geographic areas in which the area agency on aging is designated to operate. The respective area agency board shall appoint a director of the area agency on aging

in its jurisdiction. [Beginning January 1, 1995,] The director of the area agency on aging shall

submit an annual performance report to the [division] department director, the speaker of the

house of representatives, the president pro tempore of the senate and the governor. Such 10 11 performance report shall give a detailed accounting of all funds which were available to and 12 expended by the area agency on aging from state, federal and private sources. 13 2. Each area agency on aging shall have an area agency on aging advisory council, which 14 shall: 15 (1) Recommend basic policy guidelines for the administration of the activities of the area agencies on aging on behalf of elderly persons and advise the area agency on aging on questions 16 17 of policy; 18 (2) Advise the area agency on aging with respect to the development of the area plan and 19 budget, and review and comment on the completed area plan and budget before its transmittal 20 to the [division] department; 21 (3) Review and evaluate the effectiveness of the area agency on aging in meeting the 22 needs of elderly persons in the planning and service area; 23 (4) Meet at least quarterly, with all meetings being subject to sections 610.010 to 24 610.030, RSMo. 25 3. Each area agency board shall: 26 (1) Conduct local planning functions for Title III and Title XX, and such other funds as 27 may be available; 28 (2) Develop a local plan for service delivery, subject to review and approval by the 29 [division] department, that complies with federal and state requirements and in accord with 30 locally determined objectives consistent with the state policy on aging; 31 (3) Assess the needs of elderly persons within the planning and service delivery area for 32 service for social and health services, and determine what resources are currently available to 33 meet those needs: 34 (4) Assume the responsibility of determining services required to meet the needs of 35 elderly persons, assure that such services are provided within the resources available, and determine when such services are no longer needed; 36 37 (5) Endeavor to coordinate and expand existing resources in order to develop within its planning and service area a comprehensive and coordinated system for the delivery of social and 38 health services to elderly persons; 39

40 (6) Serve as an advocate within government and within the community at large for the interests of elderly persons within its planning and service area; 41

42 (7) Make grants to or enter into contracts with any public or private agency for the 43 provision of social or health services not otherwise sufficiently available to elderly persons 44 within the planning and service area;

(8) Monitor and evaluate the activities of its service providers to ensure that the services
being provided comply with the terms of the grant or contract. Where a provider is found to be
in breach of the terms of its grant or contract, the area agency shall enforce the terms of the grant
or contract;

49 (9) Conduct research, evaluation, demonstration or training activities appropriate to the
 50 achievement of the goal of improving the quality of life for elderly persons within its planning
 51 and service area;

(10) Comply with [division] department requirements that have been developed in
consultation with the area agencies for client and fiscal information, and provide to the [division]
department information necessary for federal and state reporting, program evaluation, program
management, fiscal control and research needs.

4. [Beginning January 1, 1995,] The records of each area agency on aging shall be audited at least every other year. All audits required by the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, shall satisfy this requirement.

[660.058.] 192.2015. 1. The [division of aging] department shall provide budget 2 allotment tables to each area agency on aging by January first of each year. Each area agency on 3 aging shall submit its area plan, area budget and service contracts to the [division of aging] 4 department by March first of each year. Each April, the area agencies on aging shall present 5 their plans to the [division of aging] **department** in a public hearing scheduled by the [division] department and held in the area served by the area agency on aging. Within thirty days of such 6 7 hearing, the [division] department shall report findings and recommendations to the board of 8 directors for the area agency on aging, the area agency on aging advisory council, the members of the senate budget committee and the members of the house appropriations committee for 9 10 social services and corrections.

Each area agency on aging shall include in its area plan performance measures and
 outcomes to be achieved for each year covered by the plan. Such measures and outcomes shall
 also be presented to the [division] department during the public hearing.

3. The [division of aging] **department** shall conduct on-site monitoring of each area agency on aging at least once a year. The [division of aging] **department** shall send all monitoring reports to the area agency on aging advisory council and the board of directors for the area agency which is the subject of the reports.

[660.725.] **192.2020.** 1. Each area agency on aging may establish a program that provides for volunteers to provide transportation within the geographic area of the agency to

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3 elderly persons to health care facilities for scheduled appointments or for other health care-related purposes.

5 2. Such volunteers shall utilize their own vehicles and shall be reimbursed for miles driven to provide transportation for elderly persons under the program. The area agency on aging 6 7 may pay each volunteer a mileage allowance or reimbursement at the same rate as for state employees under section 33.095, RSMo. 8

9 3. The area agency on aging may encourage passengers under the program to reimburse 10 the agency for all or part of the cost of providing such transportation services.

11 4. Any volunteer seeking a mileage allowance or reimbursement shall submit a monthly report to the agency detailing the transportation services provided, the dates of such services, and 12 13 the miles driven. The agency may request further information from the volunteer on the monthly 14 report.

15 5. Subject to appropriations, each area agency on aging may request funding of up to one 16 thousand dollars annually per county for each county within the agency's jurisdiction from the department of health and senior services to assist with the costs associated with administering 17 18 this program.

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6. Pursuant to section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri sunset act:

20 (1) Any new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset six years after August 28, [2007] 2009, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and 21

22 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall 23 automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; 24 and

25 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately 26 following the calendar year in which a program authorized under this section is sunset.

[660.062.] **192.2025.** 1. There is hereby created a "State Board of Senior Services" 2 which shall consist of seven members, who shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the 3 advice and consent of the senate. No member of the state board of senior services shall hold any other office or employment under the state of Missouri other than in a consulting status relevant 4 to the member's professional status, licensure or designation. Not more than four of the members 5 6 of the state board of senior services shall be from the same political party.

7 2. Each member shall be appointed for a term of four years; except that of the members first appointed, two shall be appointed for a term of one year, two for a term of two years, two 8 9 for a term of three years and one for a term of four years. The successors of each shall be appointed for full terms of four years. No person may serve on the state board of senior services 10 for more than two terms. The terms of all members shall continue until their successors have 11 been duly appointed and qualified. One of the persons appointed to the state board of senior 12

services shall be a person currently working in the field of gerontology. One of the persons 13 14 appointed to the state board of senior services shall be a physician with expertise in geriatrics. 15 One of the persons appointed to the state board of senior services shall be a person with expertise 16 in nutrition. One of the persons appointed to the state board of senior services shall be a person 17 with expertise in rehabilitation services of persons with disabilities. One of the persons appointed to the state board of senior services shall be a person with expertise in mental health 18 19 issues. In making the two remaining appointments, the governor shall give consideration to 20 individuals having a special interest in gerontology or disability-related issues, including senior 21 citizens. Four of the seven members appointed to the state board of senior services shall be 22 members of the governor's advisory council on aging. If a vacancy occurs in the appointed 23 membership, the governor may appoint a member for the remaining portion of the unexpired 24 term created by the vacancy. The members shall receive actual and necessary expenses plus 25 twenty-five dollars per day for each day of actual attendance.

3. The board shall elect from among its membership a chairman and a vice chairman,
who shall act as chairman in his or her absence. The board shall meet at the call of the chairman.
The chairman may call meetings at such times as he or she deems advisable, and shall call a
meeting when requested to do so by three or more members of the board.

4. The state board of senior services shall advise the department of health and seniorservices in the:

(1) Promulgation of rules and regulations by the department of health and seniorservices;

34 35 (2) Formulation of the budget for the department of health and senior services; and

(3) Planning for and operation of the department of health and senior services.

[660.067.] **192.2030.** As used in sections [660.067 to 660.070] **192.2030 to 192.2035**, 2 the following terms shall mean:

3 (1) "Adult day care", a group program that emphasizes appropriate services for persons
4 eighteen years of age or older [having Alzheimer's disease and related disorders] who have
5 functional impairments and that provides services for periods of less than twenty-four hours
6 but more than two hours per day in a place other than the adult's home;

(2) "Alzheimer's disease and related disorders", diseases resulting from significant
destruction of brain tissue and characterized by a decline of memory and other intellectual
functions. These diseases include but are not limited to progressive, degenerative and dementing
illnesses such as presenile and senile dementias, Alzheimer's disease and other related disorders;
(3) "Appropriate services", services that emphasize surveillance, safety, behavior

management and other techniques used to assist persons having Alzheimer's disease and relateddisorders;

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(5) ["Division", the division of aging of the department of social services;

and senior services, or the director's designee;

(4) "Director", the director of [the division of aging of] the department of [social] health

(6)] "In-home companion", someone trained to provide appropriate services to persons

having Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and who provides those services in the home; 18 19 [(7)] (6) "Respite care", a program that provides temporary and short-term residential 20 care, sustenance, supervision and other appropriate services for persons having Alzheimer's 21 disease and related disorders who otherwise reside in their own or in a family home. [660.069.] **192.2033.** 1. To encourage development of appropriate services for persons having Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, the [division] department may make grants 2 to public and private entities for pilot projects from funds specifically appropriated for this 3 4 purpose. Pilot projects shall have the following goals: 5 (1) To prevent or postpone institutionalization of persons having Alzheimer's disease and 6 related disorders who currently live in their own home or in a family home; 7 (2) To offer services that emphasize safety, surveillance and behavior management rather 8 than, or in addition to, medical treatment, homemaker, chore or personal care services; 9 (3) To temporarily relieve family members or others who have assumed direct care responsibilities by offering services that allow care givers to leave the home. These services 10 11 shall include but not be limited to adult day care, in-home companions and respite care; 12 (4) To test the practical and economic feasibility of providing services in settings and 13 at levels designed for varying needs; and 14 (5) To develop program models that can be adapted and operated by other public and private entities. 15 16 2. The director, in accordance with chapter 536, RSMo, shall promulgate rules that 17 establish procedures for grant application, review, selection, monitoring and auditing of grants made [pursuant to sections 660.067 to 660.070] under this section and section 192.2035. 18 19 3. The grants shall be limited to a duration of one year but may be renewable for one 20 additional year at the director's discretion and if funds are appropriated for this purpose. [660.070.] 192.2035. The commissioner of administration, in consultation with the 2 director of the [division of aging] department, shall promulgate rules that establish procedures for contracting with grantees receiving funds under [sections 660.067 to 660.070] this section 3

4 and section 192.2033. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of [sections

5 660.067 to 660.070] this section and section 192.2033 shall become effective unless it has been

6 promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024, RSMo.

[660.099.] **192.2040.** 1. The general assembly may appropriate funds in addition to the amount currently being provided per annum for nutrition services for the elderly. Funds so

3 designated to provide nutrition services for the elderly shall be allocated to the [Missouri division

4 of aging] **department** to be placed on the formula basis and distributed to each area agency on

5 aging throughout the state of Missouri.

6 2. The general assembly may appropriate funds in addition to the amount currently being
7 provided per annum through the Missouri elderly and handicapped transportation program.
8 Funds so designated to provide transportation for the elderly and developmentally disabled shall
9 be allocated to the [Missouri division of aging] department to be placed on the formula basis
10 and distributed to each area agency on aging throughout the state of Missouri.

3. The general assembly may appropriate funds in addition to the amount currently being
 provided per annum for home-delivered meals for the elderly. Such additional funds shall be
 allocated to the [Missouri division of aging] department to be placed on the formula basis and
 distributed to each area agency on aging throughout the state of Missouri.

[660.099.] **192.2040.** 1. The general assembly may appropriate funds in addition to the amount currently being provided per annum for nutrition services for the elderly. Funds so designated to provide nutrition services for the elderly shall be allocated to the [Missouri] department [of health and senior services] to be equitably distributed to each area agency on aging throughout the state of Missouri based upon formulas promulgated by the department of health and senior services.

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provided per annum through the Missouri elderly and handicapped transportation program.
Funds so designated to provide transportation for the elderly and developmentally disabled shall
be allocated to the [Missouri] department [of health and senior services] to be equitably
distributed to each area agency on aging throughout the state of Missouri based upon formulas
promulgated by the department of health and senior services.

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provided per annum for home-delivered meals for the elderly. Such additional funds shall be
allocated to the [Missouri] department [of health and senior services] to be equitably distributed
to each area agency on aging throughout the state of Missouri based upon formulas promulgated
by the department of health and senior services.

[660.250.] **192.2100.** As used in sections [660.250 to 660.321] **192.2100 to 192.2130** 2 and sections 192.2175 to 192.2187, the following terms mean:

3 (1) "Abuse", the infliction of physical, sexual, or emotional injury or harm including
4 financial exploitation by any person, firm or corporation;

- 5 (2) "Court", the circuit court;
- 6 (3) "Department", the department of health and senior services;

7 (4) "Director", director of the department of health and senior services or his or her 8 designees:

9 (5) "Eligible adult", a person sixty years of age or older who is unable to protect his or 10 her own interests or adequately perform or obtain services which are necessary to meet his or her essential human needs or an adult with a disability, as defined in section [660.053] **192.2003**, 11 12 between the ages of eighteen and fifty-nine who is unable to protect his or her own interests or 13 adequately perform or obtain services which are necessary to meet his or her essential human 14 needs:

15 (6) "Home health agency", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 197.400, **RSMo:** 16

(7) "Home health agency employee", a person employed by a home health agency;

18 (8) "Home health patient", an eligible adult who is receiving services through any home 19 health agency;

20 (9) "In-home services client", an eligible adult who is receiving services in his or her private residence through any in-home services provider agency; 21

22 (10) "In-home services employee", a person employed by an in-home services provider 23 agency;

24 (11) "In-home services provider agency", a business entity under contract with the 25 department or with a [Medicaid] MO HealthNet participation agreement, which employs 26 persons to deliver any kind of services provided for eligible adults in their private homes;

27 (12) "Least restrictive environment", a physical setting where protective services for the 28 eligible adult and accommodation is provided in a manner no more restrictive of an individual's 29 personal liberty and no more intrusive than necessary to achieve care and treatment objectives;

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(13) "Likelihood of serious physical harm", one or more of the following:

31 (a) A substantial risk that physical harm to an eligible adult will occur because of his or 32 her failure or inability to provide for his or her essential human needs as evidenced by acts or 33 behavior which has caused such harm or which gives another person probable cause to believe that the eligible adult will sustain such harm; 34

35 (b) A substantial risk that physical harm will be inflicted by an eligible adult upon himself or herself, as evidenced by recent credible threats, acts, or behavior which has caused 36 37 such harm or which places another person in reasonable fear that the eligible adult will sustain 38 such harm;

39 (c) A substantial risk that physical harm will be inflicted by another upon an eligible 40 adult as evidenced by recent acts or behavior which has caused such harm or which gives another

41 person probable cause to believe the eligible adult will sustain such harm;

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42 (d) A substantial risk that further physical harm will occur to an eligible adult who has
43 suffered physical injury, neglect, sexual or emotional abuse, or other maltreatment or wasting
44 of his or her financial resources by another person;

- (14) "Neglect", the failure to provide services to an eligible adult by any person, firm or
 corporation with a legal or contractual duty to do so, when such failure presents either an
 imminent danger to the health, safety, or welfare of the client or a substantial probability that
 death or serious physical harm would result;
- (15) "Protective services", services provided by the state or other governmental or private
 organizations or individuals [which are necessary for the eligible adult to meet his or her
 essential human needs] to ensure the safety and well-being of elderly persons or adults with

52 disabilities who are in danger of being mistreated or neglected, and are unable to take care

53 of themselves or protect themselves from harm.

[660.255.] 192.2103. 1. Any person having reasonable cause to suspect that an eligible
adult presents a likelihood of suffering serious physical harm and is in need of protective services
shall report such information to the department.

- 4 2. The report shall be made orally or in writing. It shall include, if known:
- 5 (1) The name, age, and address of the eligible adult;
- 6 (2) The name and address of any person responsible for the eligible adult's care;
 - (3) The nature and extent of the eligible adult's condition; and
- 8 (4) Other relevant information.

9 3. Reports regarding persons determined not to be eligible adults as defined in section 10 [660.250] **192.2100** shall be referred to the appropriate state or local authorities.

11 4. The department shall maintain a statewide toll free phone number for receipt of 12 reports.

5. Any person complying with this section in the making of a report or in cooperating with the department in any of its activities under sections 192.2100 to 192.2130 shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability for making such a report or in cooperating with the department, unless such person acted negligently, recklessly, in bad faith, or with malicious purpose. Any person who purposely files a false report of elder abuse or neglect is guilty of a crime under sections 565.186 and 565.188, RSMo.

[660.260.] **192.2106. 1.** Upon receipt of a report, the department shall make a prompt and thorough investigation to determine whether or not an eligible adult is facing a likelihood of serious physical harm and is in need of protective services. The department shall provide for any of the following:

5 (1) Identification of the eligible adult and determination that the eligible adult is eligible 6 for services;

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(2) Evaluation and diagnosis of the needs of eligible adults;

8 (3) Provision of social casework, counseling or referral to the appropriate local or state9 authority;

- 10 (4) Assistance in locating and receiving alternative living arrangements as necessary;
- 11 (5) Assistance in locating and receiving necessary protective services; or

12 (6) The coordination and cooperation with other state agencies and public and private 13 agencies in exchange of information and the avoidance of duplication of services.

[660.261.] **2.** Upon receipt of a report that an eligible adult between the ages of eighteen 2 and fifty-nine is facing a likelihood of serious physical harm, the department shall:

3 (1) Investigate or refer the report to appropriate law enforcement or state agencies; and

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[660.263.] 192.2109. 1. Reports made pursuant to sections [660.250 to 660.295]
192.2100 to 192.2130 shall be confidential and shall not be deemed a public record and shall not
be subject to the provisions of section 109.180, RSMo, or chapter 610, RSMo.

4 2. Such reports shall be accessible for examination and copying only to the following 5 persons or offices, or to their designees:

6 (1) The department or any person or agency designated by the department;

(2) Provide services or refer to local community or state agencies.

- 7 (2) The attorney general;
- 8 (3) The department of mental health for persons referred to that department;
- 9 (4) Any appropriate law enforcement agency; and
- 10 (5) The eligible adult or [his] **the eligible adult's** legal guardian.
- 11 3. The name of the reporter shall not be disclosed unless:
- 12 (1) Such reporter specifically authorizes disclosure of [his] the reporter's name; and
- 13 (2) The department determines that disclosure of the name of the reporter is necessary14 in order to prevent further harm to an eligible adult.

4. Any person who violates the provisions of this section, or who permits or encourages the unauthorized dissemination of information contained in the central registry and in reports and records made pursuant to sections [660.250 to 660.295] **192.2100 to 192.2130**, shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

5. The department shall maintain a central registry capable of receiving and maintaining reports received in a manner that facilitates rapid access and recall of the information reported, and of subsequent investigations and other relevant information. The department shall electronically record any telephone report of suspected abuse and neglect received by the department and such recorded reports shall be retained by the department for a period of one year after recording.

6. Although reports to the central registry may be made anonymously, the department shall in all cases, after obtaining relevant information regarding the alleged abuse or neglect, attempt to obtain the name and address of any person making a report.

[660.265.] 192.2112. When an eligible adult gives consent to receive protective services,
the department shall assist the adult in locating and arranging for necessary services in the least
restrictive environment reasonably available.

[660.270.] **192.2115.** When the department receives a report that there has been abuse 2 or neglect, or that there otherwise is a likelihood of serious physical harm to an eligible adult and that he or she is in need of protective services and the department is unable to conduct an 3 4 investigation because access to the eligible adult is barred by any person, the director may petition the appropriate court for a warrant or other order to enter upon the described premises 5 6 and investigate the report or to produce the information. The application for the warrant or order shall identify the eligible adult and the facts and circumstances which require the issuance of the 7 8 warrant or order. The director may also seek an order to enjoin the person from barring access to an eligible adult or from interfering with the investigation. If the court finds that, based on 9 the report and relevant circumstances and facts, probable cause exists showing that the eligible 10 adult faces abuse or neglect, or otherwise faces a likelihood of serious physical harm and is in 11 12 need of protective services and the director has been prevented by another person from 13 investigating the report, the court may issue the warrant or enjoin the interference with the 14 investigation or both.

[660.275.] 192.2118. If an eligible adult gives consent to receive protective services and any other person interferes with or prevents the delivery of such services, the director may 2 3 petition the appropriate court for an order to enjoin the interference with the delivery of the services. The petition shall allege the consent of the eligible adult and shall allege specific facts 4 5 sufficient to show that the eligible adult faces a likelihood of serious physical harm and is in need of the protective services and that delivery is barred by the person named in the petition. If the 6 7 court finds upon a preponderance of evidence that the allegations in the petition are true, the court may issue an order enjoining the interference with the delivery of the protective services 8 9 and may establish such conditions and restrictions on the delivery as the court deems necessary 10 and proper under the circumstances.

[660.280.] **192.2121.** When an eligible adult facing the likelihood of serious physical harm and in need of protective services is unable to give consent because of incapacity or legal disability and the guardian of the eligible adult refuses to provide the necessary services or allow the provision of such services, the director shall inform the court having supervisory jurisdiction over the guardian of the facts showing that the eligible adult faces the likelihood of serious physical harm and is in need of protective services and that the guardian refuses to provide the

7 necessary services or allow the provision of such services under the provisions of sections
8 [660.250 to 660.295] 192.2100 to 192.2130. Upon receipt of such information, the court may
9 take such action as it deems necessary and proper to insure that the eligible adult is able to meet
10 his essential human needs.

[660.285.] 192.2124. 1. If the director determines after an investigation that an eligible
adult is unable to give consent to receive protective services and presents a likelihood of serious
physical harm, the director may initiate proceedings pursuant to chapter 202, RSMo, or chapter
475, RSMo, if appropriate.

5 2. In order to expedite adult guardianship and conservatorship cases, the department may 6 retain, within existing funding sources of the department, legal counsel on a case-by-case basis.

[660.290.] **192.2127.** 1. When a peace officer has probable cause to believe that an eligible adult will suffer an imminent likelihood of serious physical harm if not immediately placed in a medical facility for care and treatment, that the adult is incapable of giving consent, and that it is not possible to follow the procedures in section [660.285] **192.2124**, the officer may transport, or arrange transportation for, the eligible adult to an appropriate medical facility which may admit the eligible adult and shall notify the next of kin, if known, and the director.

7 2. Where access to the eligible adult is barred and a substantial likelihood exists of 8 serious physical harm resulting to the eligible adult if he is not immediately afforded protective 9 services, the peace officer may apply to the appropriate court for a warrant to enter upon the 10 described premises and remove the eligible adult. The application for the warrant shall identify 11 the eligible adult and the circumstances and facts which require the issuance of the warrant.

12 3. If immediately upon admission to a medical facility, a person who is legally 13 authorized to give consent for the provision of medical treatment for the eligible adult, has not 14 given or refused to give such consent, and it is the opinion of the medical staff of the facility that 15 treatment is necessary to prevent serious physical harm, the director or the head of the medical facility shall file a petition in the appropriate court for an order authorizing specific medical 16 treatment. The court shall hold a hearing and issue its decision forthwith. Notwithstanding the 17 above, if a licensed physician designated by the facility for such purpose examines the eligible 18 19 adult and determines that the treatment is immediately or imminently necessary and any delay 20 occasioned by the hearing provided in this subsection would jeopardize the life of the person 21 affected, the medical facility may treat the eligible adult prior to such court hearing.

4. The court shall conduct a hearing pursuant to chapter 475, RSMo, forthwith and, if the court finds the eligible adult incapacitated, it shall appoint a guardian ad litem for the person of the eligible adult to determine the nature and extent of the medical treatment necessary for the benefit of the eligible adult and to supervise the rendition of such treatment. The guardian ad 26 litem shall promptly report the completion of treatment to the court, who shall thereupon conduct

27 a restoration hearing or a hearing to appoint a permanent guardian.

5. The medical care under this section may not be rendered in a mental health facilityunless authorized pursuant to the civil commitment procedures in chapter 632, RSMo.

30 6. Nothing contained in this section or [in any other section of sections 660.250 to 660.295] sections 192.2100 to 192.2130 shall be construed as requiring physician or medical 31 32 care or hospitalization of any person who, because of religious faith or conviction, relies on 33 spiritual means or prayer to cure or prevent disease or suffering nor shall any provision of sections [660.250 to 660.295] **192.2100 to 192.2130** be construed so as to designate any person 34 35 as an eligible adult who presents a likelihood of suffering serious physical harm and is in need of protective services solely because such person, because of religious faith or conviction, relies 36 37 on spiritual means or prayer to cure or prevent disease or suffering.

[660.295.] **192.2130.** If an eligible adult does not consent to the receipt of reasonable and necessary protective services, or if an eligible adult withdraws previously given consent, the

3 protective services shall not be provided or continued; except that, if the director has reasonable

4 cause to believe that the eligible adult lacks the capacity to consent, the director may seek a court

5 order pursuant to the provisions of section [660.285] **192.2124**.

[198.070.] **192.2150.** 1. [When] As used in sections **192.2150** to **192.2187**, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms mean:

3 (1) "Consumer", a consumer of personal care assistance services as defined in
4 section 208.900, RSMo;

5 (2) "In-home services client", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 6 192.2100 or a participant in a healthy children and youth program who receives in-home 7 care authorized by the department in accordance with the provisions of Section 6403 of 8 P.L. 101-239 and federal regulations promulgated thereunder;

9 (3) "Misappropriation", the dishonest conversion of property or moneys of a 10 patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer;

(4) "Patient", any patient of any entity licensed or certified under chapter 197,
RSMo;

(5) "Personal care attendant", a person hired to provide personal care assistance
 services as defined in section 208.900, RSMo;

- (6) "Principal", a provider officer, director, owner, partner, or other person with
 primary management or supervisory responsibilities;
- 17 (7) "Provider", any person or entity who:
- 18 (a) Is licensed or certified as an operator under chapter 197 or 198, RSMo;
- 19 (b) Provides in-home services under contract with the department;

20 (c) Employs health care staff for temporary or intermittent placement in health 21 care facilities;

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(d) Is a licensed adult day care provider;

23 24 (e) Is a vendor as defined in section 208.900, RSMo; or(f) Has a MO HealthNet participation agreement and employs persons to deliver

any kind of services provided for patients, in-home services clients, or consumers in their
 private homes;

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(8) "Resident", any resident of any entity licensed or certified under chapter 198, RSMo, or a client of any adult day care provider, as defined in section 192.2200.

29 2. Any adult day care worker; chiropractor; Christian Science practitioner; coroner; dentist; embalmer; employee of the departments of social services, mental health, or health and 30 31 senior services; employee of a local area agency on aging or an organized area agency on aging program; funeral director; home health agency or home health agency employee; hospital and 32 33 clinic personnel engaged in examination, care, or treatment of persons; in-home services owner, provider, operator, or employee; law enforcement officer; long-term care facility administrator 34 35 or employee; medical examiner; medical resident or intern; mental health professional; minister; 36 nurse; nurse practitioner; optometrist; other health practitioner; peace officer; pharmacist; physical therapist; physician; physician's assistant; podiatrist; probation or parole officer; 37 38 psychologist; social worker; personal care attendant as defined in section 208.900, RSMo; owner, operator, or employee of a vendor as defined in section 208.900, RSMo; or other 39 40 person **charged** with the care of **or caring for** a person sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult, as defined in section 192.2100, who has reasonable cause to believe that a [resident of 41 42 a facility] patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer has been abused or 43 neglected, [he or she] that misappropriation of property or moneys belonging to a patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer has occurred, or that the falsification of any 44 documents verifying service delivery of in-home services or consumer-directed services has 45 46 occurred shall [immediately] report or cause a report to be made to the department within 47 twenty-four hours after the act or discovery of the act by such person, whichever is later. 48 [2.] 3. In addition to those persons required to report under subsection 2 of this 49 section, any other person having reasonable cause to believe that a patient, resident, inhome services client, or consumer has been abused or neglected, that misappropriation of 50 property or moneys belonging to a patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer 51 52 has occurred, or that falsification of any documents verifying service delivery of in-home

53 services or consumer-directed services has occurred may report such information to the

54 department.

(1) The name and address of the [facility, the name of the resident,] provider and the

4. If a report is made by the patient's, in-home services client's, consumer's, or resident's physician, the department shall provide information regarding the progress of the investigation to the physician upon request.

- 58 **5.** The report shall contain:
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60 patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer;

(2) Information regarding the nature of the abuse or neglect, misappropriation, or
 falsification of documents verifying service delivery;

(3) The name of the complainant[,]; and

64 (4) Any other information which might be helpful in an investigation including the65 alleged perpetrator or perpetrators, if known.

66 [3. Any person required in subsection 1 of this section to report or cause a report to be 67 made to the department who knowingly fails to make a report within a reasonable time after the 68 act of abuse or neglect as required in this subsection is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

4. In addition to the penalties imposed by this section, any administrator who knowingly
conceals any act of abuse or neglect resulting in death or serious physical injury, as defined in
section 565.002, RSMo, is guilty of a class D felony.

5. In addition to those persons required to report pursuant to subsection 1 of this section,
any other person having reasonable cause to believe that a resident has been abused or neglected
may report such information to the department.]

75 6. Upon receipt of a report that indicates an imminent danger to the health, safety, or welfare of a patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer, or substantial 76 probability that death or serious physical injury will result, the department shall [initiate an 77 78 investigation within twenty-four hours and] make a prompt and thorough investigation. The 79 department shall initiate all other investigations as soon as practicable. As provided in 80 section 565.186, RSMo, substantiated reports of elder abuse shall be promptly reported by 81 the department to the appropriate law enforcement agency and prosecutor. In the case of 82 investigations alleging abuse, neglect, misappropriation, or exploitation of a resident of a facility licensed under chapter 198, RSMo, by a facility employee or other resident: 83

(1) If the resident has been appointed a guardian or conservator, or both, under chapter 475, RSMo, or if the resident has been certified to be incapacitated in accordance with sections 404.800 to 404.872, RSMo, the department, as soon as possible during the course of the investigation, shall notify the resident's [next of kin or responsible party] legal representative of the report [and], the investigation, and [further notify them] whether the report was substantiated or unsubstantiated unless such person is the alleged perpetrator [of the abuse or neglect.];

(2) The department may notify family members, guardians, or conservators of the results of investigations in accordance with section 198.532, RSMo.

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94 [As provided in section 565.186, RSMo, substantiated reports of elder abuse shall be promptly95 reported by the department to the appropriate law enforcement agency and prosecutor.]

96 7. If the investigation indicates possible abuse or neglect [of a resident], 97 misappropriation of property or moneys, or falsification of documents verifying service 98 delivery of in-home services or consumer-directed services, the investigator shall refer the 99 complaint together with the investigator's report to the department director or the director's 100 designee for appropriate action. When information gained from an investigation indicates 101 a crime has occurred, the department shall report such information to the appropriate law 102 enforcement agency.

103 8. If, during the investigation or at its completion, the department has reasonable cause to believe that immediate [removal] action is necessary to protect the resident, patient, in-home 104 105 services client, or consumer, or his or her assets, from abuse or neglect, or misappropriation of property or moneys, the department or the local prosecuting attorney may, or the attorney 106 107 general upon request of the department shall, file a petition for temporary care and protection of the resident, patient, in-home services client, or consumer, or his or her assets, in a circuit 108 109 court of competent jurisdiction. The circuit court in which the petition is filed shall have 110 equitable jurisdiction to issue an ex parte order granting the department authority for the temporary care and protection of the resident, patient, in-home services client, or consumer, 111 112 or his or her assets for a period not to exceed thirty days.

[8.] 9. Reports shall be confidential, [as provided pursuant to section 660.320, RSMo]
shall not be deemed a public record, and shall not be subject to the provisions of section
109.180, RSMo, or chapter 610, RSMo. The name of the complainant or any person
mentioned in the reports shall not be disclosed unless:

(1) The complainant, patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer
 mentioned, or such person's legal representative agrees to disclosure of his or her name;

(2) The department determines that disclosure is necessary to prevent further abuse
 or neglect, misappropriation of property or moneys, or falsification of any documents
 verifying service delivery of in-home services or consumer-directed services;

(3) Release of a name is required for compliance with a lawful subpoena; except
that, the name of the complainant or reporter shall only be required after a court of
competent jurisdiction determines that it is necessary to avoid substantial and irreversible
prejudice to the party requesting the name of the complainant or reporter;

(4) Release of a name is required in connection with a review by the administrative
 hearing commission in accordance with section 192.2187 or section 198.039, RSMo;

128 (5) The department determines that release of a name is appropriate when 129 forwarding a report of findings of an investigation to a licensing authority; or

(6) Release of a name is requested by the department of social services for the
purpose of licensure under chapter 210, RSMo.

132 10. Within five working days after a report required to be made under this section
133 is received, the person making the report shall be notified of its receipt and the initiation
134 of the investigation.

135 [9.] 11. Anyone, except any person who has abused or neglected a resident [in a facility] , patient, in-home services client, or consumer, or who has benefited from the 136 137 misappropriation of property or moneys of a patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer, or who has falsified documents verifying service delivery of in-home services or 138 139 consumer-directed services, who makes a report pursuant to this section or who testifies in any 140 administrative or judicial proceeding arising from the report, or who cooperates with the department in any activities under this section shall be immune from any civil or criminal 141 142 liability for making such a report or for testifying except for liability for perjury, unless such 143 person acted negligently, recklessly, in bad faith or with malicious purpose. It is a crime 144 pursuant to section 565.186 and 565.188, RSMo, for any person to purposely file a false report 145 of elder abuse or neglect.

146 [10. Within five working days after a report required to be made pursuant to this section 147 is received, the person making the report shall be notified in writing of its receipt and of the 148 initiation of the investigation.

149 11. No person who directs or exercises any authority in a facility shall evict, harass, 150 dismiss or retaliate against a resident or employee because such resident or employee or any member of such resident's or employee's family has made a report of any violation or suspected 151 violation of laws, ordinances or regulations applying to the facility which the resident, the 152 153 resident's family or an employee has reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has 154 occurred. Through the existing department information and referral telephone contact line, residents, their families and employees of a facility shall be able to obtain information about their 155 156 rights, protections and options in cases of eviction, harassment, dismissal or retaliation due to 157 a report being made pursuant to this section.

158 12. Any person who abuses or neglects a resident of a facility is subject to criminal 159 prosecution under section 565.180, 565.182, or 565.184, RSMo.

160 13.] **12.** The department shall maintain the employee disqualification list and place on 161 the employee disqualification list the names of any persons who are or have been employed [in 162 any facility] **by any provider or consumer** and who have been finally determined by the 163 department pursuant to section [660.315, RSMo,] **192.2175**:

164 (1) To have **purposely**, knowingly, or recklessly abused or neglected a resident, **patient**, 165 in-home services client, or consumer. For purposes of this section only, "abuse" and "neglect" shall have the same meaning as such terms are defined in section 192.2100, and 166 167 "purposely", "knowingly" and "recklessly" shall have the meanings [that are ascribed to them in this section. A person acts "knowingly" with respect to the person's conduct when a 168 169 reasonable person should be aware of the result caused by his or her conduct. A person acts 170 "recklessly" when the person consciously disregards a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the person's conduct will result in serious physical injury and such disregard constitutes a gross 171 172 deviation from the standard of care that a reasonable person would exercise in the situation] as 173 such terms are defined in chapter 562, RSMo;

174 (2) To have falsified documents verifying service delivery to an in-home services175 client or consumer;

176 (3) To have misappropriated property or moneys belonging to a patient, resident,
177 in-home services client, or consumer.

178 13. No person who directs or exercises any authority on behalf of a provider and 179 no personal care attendant, as defined in section 208.900, RSMo, shall evict, harass, 180 dismiss, or retaliate against a patient, resident, in-home services client, consumer, or employee because such patient, resident, in-home services client, consumer, or employee, 181 182 or any member of such patient's, resident's, in-home services client's, consumer's, or employee's family has made a report of any violation or suspected violation of laws, 183 standards, or regulations applying to the provider or attendant which the complainant has 184 185 reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has occurred. Through existing department information and referral telephone contact line, patients, residents, in-home 186 services clients, consumers, their families, and employees of a provider may obtain 187 information regarding their rights, protections, and options in cases of eviction, 188 189 harassment, dismissal, or retaliation due to a report being made under this section.

190 14. In the case of investigations involving facilities licensed under chapter 198, 191 RSMo, the timely self-reporting of incidents to the central registry by a facility shall continue 192 to be investigated in accordance with department policy, and shall not be counted or reported by 193 the department as a hot-line call but rather a self-reported incident. If the self-reported incident 194 results in a regulatory violation, such incident shall be reported as a substantiated report.

195 15. Any potential consumer or in-home services client whose services are funded
 196 by MO HealthNet shall be screened to ascertain if they are included on the Missouri sexual
 197 offender registry maintained by the Missouri state highway patrol. If any potential

198 consumer or in-home services client whose services are funded by MO HealthNet is listed

199 on the Missouri sexual offender registry, the department shall notify the provider at the200 time of the referral.

192.2153. 1. Any person required to report or cause a report to be made to the department under subsection 2 of section 192.2150 who fails to make such a report or who causes such a report to not be made of abuse or neglect, misappropriation of property or moneys, or falsification of documents verifying service delivery of in-home services or consumer-directed services within twenty-four hours after the act or discovery of the act by such person, whichever is later, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

2. Any person who abuses or neglects an in-home services client, patient, resident,
or consumer is subject to criminal prosecution under section 565.180, 565.182, or 565.184,
RSMo. Any person who puts to his or her own use or the use of the provider, or otherwise
diverts from the in-home services client's, patient's, resident's, or consumer's use of any
personal property or moneys of the in-home services client, patient, residents, or consumer,
or falsifies any documents verifying service delivery of in-home services or consumerdirected services is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

14 3. In addition to any other penalties imposed by this section, any provider, principal in the operation of a provider as defined in section 192.2150, or employee of a 15 16 provider who knowingly conceals any act of abuse or neglect that results in death or 17 serious physical injury, as defined in section 565.002, RSMo, is guilty of a class D felony. 18 4. If a provider willfully and knowingly fails to report abuse by an employee of the provider and such employee is later found guilty or pleads guilty to a violation of section 19 20 565.180, 565.182, or 565.184, RSMo, the provider may be subject to an administrative 21 penalty of one thousand dollars per violation to be collected by the department. Any 22 moneys collected shall be transferred to the state school moneys fund established in section 23 166.051, RSMo, and distributed to the public schools of this state in the manner provided 24 in section 163.031, RSMo. Any provider that has an administrative penalty imposed by the 25 department may seek an administrative review of the department's action under chapter 26 621, RSMo. Any decision of the administrative hearing commission may be appealed to 27 the circuit court in the county where the violation occurred for judicial review as a 28 contested case under chapter 536, RSMo.

[660.315.] **192.2175.** 1. After an investigation and a determination has been made to 2 place a person's name on the employee disqualification list, that person shall be notified in 3 writing mailed to his or her last known address that:

4 (1) An allegation has been made against the person, the substance of the allegation and 5 that an investigation has been conducted which tends to substantiate the allegation;

6 (2) The person's name will be included in the employee disqualification list of the 7 department;

8 9 (3) The consequences of being so listed including the length of time to be listed; and

(4) The person's rights and the procedure to challenge the allegation.

10 2. Notice by mail to the last known address, as provided by the person to the person's employer at the time of the allegation, shall satisfy the requirements of this 11 12 section. If the person has provided the department with a more recent address, notice shall 13 be sent to the more recent address. Notice shall be complete upon such mailing. If no reply has been received within thirty days of mailing the notice, the department may include the name 14 15 of such person on its list. The length of time the person's name shall appear on the employee disqualification list shall be determined by the director or the director's designee, based upon the 16 17 criteria contained in subsection 9 of this section.

3. If the person so notified wishes to challenge the allegation, such person may file an application for a hearing with the department. The department shall grant the application within thirty days after receipt by the department and set the matter for hearing[, or the department shall notify the applicant that, after review, the allegation has been held to be unfounded and the applicant's name will not be listed].

4. If a person's name is included on the employee disqualification list without the
department providing notice as required under [subsection 1] subsections 1 and 2 of this section,
such person may file a request with the department for removal of the name or for a hearing.
Within thirty days after receipt of the request, the department shall either remove the name from
the list or grant a hearing and set a date therefor.

28 5. Any hearing shall be conducted [in the county of the person's residence] by the 29 director of the department or the director's designee in Cole County or the county of the 30 person's residence, or by telephone at the discretion of the director or the director's 31 designee. The provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, for a contested case except those provisions 32 or amendments which are in conflict with this section shall apply to and govern the proceedings 33 contained in this section and the rights and duties of the parties involved. The person appealing such an action shall be entitled to present evidence, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, 34 35 RSMo, relevant to the allegations.

6. Upon the record made at the hearing, the director of the department or the director's designee shall determine all questions presented and shall determine whether the person shall be listed on the employee disqualification list. The director of the department or the director's designee shall clearly state the reasons for his or her decision and shall include a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law pertinent to the questions in issue.

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her right to seek judicial review as provided under chapter 536, RSMo. If the person fails to appeal the director's findings, those findings shall constitute a final determination that the person

7. A person aggrieved by the decision following the hearing shall be informed of his or

44 shall be placed on the employee disqualification list. 45 8. A decision by the director shall be inadmissible in any civil action brought against a [facility or the in-home services provider agency] provider or employee of such provider or 46 47 personal care attendant and arising out of the facts and circumstances which brought about the 48 employment disqualification proceeding, unless the civil action is brought against the [facility 49 or the in-home services provider agency] provider or employee of such provider or personal 50 care attendant by the department of health and senior services or one of its divisions. 51 9. The length of time the person's name shall appear on the employee disqualification list shall be determined by the director of the department of health and senior services or the 52 53 director's designee, based upon the following: 54 (1) Whether the person acted **purposely**, recklessly, or knowingly, as defined in chapter 55 562, RSMo; 56 (2) The degree of the physical, sexual, or emotional injury or harm; or the degree of the 57 imminent danger to the health, safety or welfare of [a resident or in-home services client] the 58 alleged victim; 59 (3) The degree of misappropriation of the property or funds, or falsification of any documents for service delivery of [an in-home services client] a patient, resident, in-home 60 61 services client, or consumer; 62 (4) Whether the person has previously been listed on the employee disqualification list; 63 (5) Any mitigating circumstances; 64 (6) Any aggravating circumstances; and 65 (7) Whether alternative sanctions resulting in conditions of continued employment are 66 appropriate in lieu of placing a person's name on the employee disqualification list. Such 67 conditions of employment may include, but are not limited to, additional training and employee 68 counseling. Conditional employment shall terminate upon the expiration of the designated 69 length of time and the person's submitting documentation which fulfills the department of health 70 and senior services' requirements. 71 10. The removal of any person's name from the list under this section shall not prevent 72 the director from keeping records of all acts finally determined to have occurred under this 73 section. 74 11. The department shall [provide] **make available** the list maintained pursuant to this 75 section to other state departments upon request and to any person, corporation, organization, or 76 association who:

77 (1) Is licensed as an operator under chapter 198, RSMo;

78 (2) Provides in-home services under contract with the department;

79 (3) Employs [nurses and nursing assistants] health care staff for temporary or 80 intermittent placement [in health care facilities] with providers;

81 (4) Is approved by the department to issue certificates for nursing assistants training;

82 (5) Is an entity licensed under chapter 197, RSMo; or

83 (6) Is a personal care assistance services vendor agency, as defined in section 84 208.900, RSMo;

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(7) Is an adult day care provider licensed under sections 192.2200 to 192.2227; or 86 (8) Is a recognized school of nursing, medicine, or other health profession that receives 87 the list for the purpose of [determining whether students scheduled to] checking its students 88 who participate in clinical rotations with entities described in [subdivision] subdivisions (1)[,

89 (2), or (5)] to (7) of this subsection [are included in the employee disqualification list].

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91 The department shall inform any person listed above who inquires of the department whether or 92 not a particular name is on the list. The department may require that the request be made in 93 writing. No person, corporation, or association who is entitled to access the employee disqualification list shall disclose the information to any person, corporation, or association 94 95 who is not entitled to access the list. Any person, corporation, or association who is entitled 96 to access the employee disgualification list who discloses the information to any person, corporation, or association who is not entitled to access the list is guilty of an infraction. 97 98 12. The department shall, upon request, provide to the division of employment 99 security within the department of labor and industrial relations copies of the investigative

100 reports related to an employee being placed on the employee disqualification list.

101 13. No person, corporation, organization, or association who received the employee 102 disqualification list under subdivisions (1) to [(5)] (7) of subsection 11 of this section shall knowingly employ any person who is on the employee disqualification list. No person who is 103 104 listed on the employee disqualification list shall be paid from public moneys as a personal care assistance services attendant. Any person, corporation, organization, or association who 105 received the employee disqualification list under subdivisions (1) to [(5)] (7) of subsection 11 106 107 of this section, or any **consumer or** person responsible for providing health care service, who declines to employ or terminates a person whose name is listed in this section shall be immune 108 109 from suit by that person or anyone else acting for or in behalf of that person for the failure to 110 employ or for the termination of the person whose name is listed on the employee 111 disqualification list.

[13.] 14. Any employer who is required to discharge an employee because the employee was placed on [a] the employee disqualification list maintained by the department of health and senior services after the date of hire shall not be charged for unemployment insurance benefits based on wages paid to the employee for work prior to the date of discharge, pursuant to section 288.100, RSMo.

117 [14.] 15. Any person who has been listed on the employee disqualification list may 118 request that the director remove his or her name from the employee disqualification list. The 119 request shall be written and may not be made more than once every twelve months. The request 120 will be granted by the director upon a clear showing, by written submission only, that the person 121 will not commit additional acts of abuse, neglect, misappropriation of the property or funds, or 122 the falsification of any documents [of] verifying service delivery to an in-home services client 123 or consumer. The director may make conditional the removal of a person's name from the list 124 on any terms that the director deems appropriate, and failure to comply with such terms may 125 result in the person's name being relisted. The director's determination of whether to remove the 126 person's name from the list is not subject to appeal.

[660.317.] **192.2178.** 1. For the purposes of this section, the term "provider" [means any person, corporation or association who:

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(1) Is licensed as an operator pursuant to chapter 198, RSMo;

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(2) Provides in-home services under contract with the department;

5 (3) Employs nurses or nursing assistants for temporary or intermittent placement in 6 health care facilities;

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(4) Is an entity licensed pursuant to chapter 197, RSMo;

8 (5) Is a public or private facility, day program, residential facility or specialized service
9 operated, funded or licensed by the department of mental health; or

10 (6) Is a licensed adult day care provider] has the same meaning as such term is defined 11 in section 192.2150; except that, provider also includes a public or private facility, day 12 program, residential facility, or specialized service operated, funded, or licensed by the 13 department of mental health.

2. For the purpose of this section "patient or resident" has the same meaning as such term
 is defined in section 43.540, RSMo, "in-home services client" has the same meaning as such
 term is defined in section 192.2150, and "consumer" has the same meaning as such term
 is defined in section 208.900, RSMo.

3. Prior to [allowing any person who has been hired as] **hiring** a full-time, part-time or temporary **employee for any** position to have contact with any patient [or], resident, **in-home** services client or consumer, or finding a personal care attendant eligible to have contact with a consumer, the provider shall[, or] make an inquiry to the department of health and

22 senior services whether the person is listed on the employee disqualification list as provided

in section 192.2175. In the case of temporary employees hired through or contracted for an employment agency, the employment agency, shall prior to sending a temporary employee to a provider, make an inquiry to the department of health and senior services whether the person is listed on the employee disqualification list as provided in section 192.2175.

4. Prior to allowing any person who has been hired in a full-time, part-time, or temporary position to have contact with any patient, resident, in-home services client, or consumer, the provider shall or in the case of temporary employees hired through or contracted for an employment agency, the employment agency, prior to sending a temporary employee to a provider, shall:

32 (1) Request a criminal background check as provided in section 43.540, RSMo. Completion of an inquiry to the highway patrol or family care safety registry for criminal 33 records that are available for disclosure to a provider for the purpose of conducting an employee 34 35 criminal records background check shall be deemed to fulfill the provider's duty to conduct 36 employee criminal background checks pursuant to this section; except that, completing the 37 inquiries pursuant to this subsection shall not be construed to exempt a provider from further 38 inquiry pursuant to common law requirements governing due diligence. If an applicant has not 39 resided in this state for five consecutive years prior to the date of his or her application for 40 employment, the provider shall request a nationwide check for the purpose of determining if the 41 applicant has a prior criminal history in other states. The fingerprint cards and any required fees 42 shall be sent to the highway patrol's criminal records division. The first set of fingerprints shall 43 be used for searching the state repository of criminal history information. If no identification is 44 made, the second set of fingerprints shall be forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 45 Identification Division, for the searching of the federal criminal history files. The patrol shall notify the submitting state agency of any criminal history information or lack of criminal history 46 47 information discovered on the individual. The provisions relating to applicants for employment who have not resided in this state for five consecutive years shall apply only to persons who have 48 no employment history with a licensed Missouri facility during that five-year period. 49 50 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 610.120, RSMo, all records related to any criminal 51 history information discovered shall be accessible and available to the provider making the 52 record request; and

(2) [Make an inquiry to the department of health and senior services whether the person
is listed on the employee disqualification list as provided in section 660.315] Request of the
person a physical address where the person may be located in addition to any other
address provided by the person such as a post office box address; and

57 (3) Make an inquiry to the department of mental health to determine whether the 58 person is listed on the disqualification registry as provided in section 630.170, RSMo.

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5. For any worker registered with the family care safety registry as required by sections 210.900 to 210.936, RSMo, a provider may access the family care safety registry in lieu of the requirements in subsections 3 and 4 of this section.

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[4.] **6.** When the provider requests a criminal background check pursuant to section 43.540, RSMo, the requesting entity may require that the applicant reimburse the provider for the cost of such record check. When a provider requests a nationwide criminal background check pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection [3] **4** of this section, the total cost to the provider of any background check required pursuant to this section shall not exceed five dollars which shall be paid to the state. State funding and the obligation of a provider to obtain a nationwide criminal background check shall be subject to the availability of appropriations.

[5.] 7. An applicant for a position to have contact with patients, in-home services
clients, consumers, or residents of a provider shall:

(1) Sign a consent form as required by section 43.540, RSMo, so the provider may
 request a criminal records review;

(2) Disclose the applicant's criminal history. For the purposes of this subdivision
"criminal history" includes any conviction or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a
misdemeanor or felony charge in this state or any other state and shall include any suspended
imposition of sentence, any suspended execution of sentence or any period of probation or
parole; and

(3) Disclose if the applicant is listed on the employee disqualification list as provided
in section [660.315] 192.2175 and disclose whether the applicant is a registered sexual
offender under section 589.400, RSMo, listed in the Missouri uniform law enforcement
system (MULES).

82 [6.] 8. An applicant who knowingly fails to disclose his or her criminal history as 83 required in subsection [5] 7 of this section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. A provider is 84 guilty of a class A misdemeanor if the provider knowingly hires or retains a person to have contact with patients, in-home services clients, consumers, or residents and the person has been 85 convicted of, pled guilty to or nolo contendere in this state or any other state or has been found 86 guilty of a crime, which if committed in Missouri would be a class A or B felony violation of 87 88 chapter 195, 565, 566, 568, or 569, RSMo, [or any violation of subsection 3 of section 198.070, 89 RSMo, or section 568.020, RSMo] a violation of section 570.090, RSMo, a felony violation 90 or three or more misdemeanor violations of section 570.030, RSMo, a violation of section 91 570.145, RSMo, or any violation of subsection 1 of section 192.2153. For any person hired 92 on or after August 28, 2009, a provider shall not hire any person with a disqualifying 93 criminal history unless such person has first obtained a good cause waiver of the94 disqualifying criminal history.

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9. For any persons hired on or after August 28, 2009, a provider is guilty of a class
96 A misdemeanor if the provider knowingly hires or retains any person who is a registered
97 sex offender under section 589.400, RSMo, whose name appears on the sexual offender
98 registry, or who has been convicted of an offense which would require registry under
99 section 589.400, RSMo.

100 [7.] 10. Any in-home services provider agency [or], consumer-directed services 101 vendor, home health agency [shall be], or hospice is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if such 102 vendor, hospice, or agency knowingly [employs] hires or retains a person to provide in-home 103 services, consumer-directed services, hospice services, or home health services to any in-home 104 services client, consumer-directed services consumer, hospice patient, or home health patient, 105 or determines a personal care attendant eligible to have contact with a consumer, and such person [either] refuses to register with the family care safety registry [or is listed on any of the 106 107 background check lists in]. Any in-home services provider agency, home health agency, or hospice is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if such agency or hospice allows an employee to 108 109 have contact with a patient or in-home services client prior to requesting a background 110 screening from the family care safety registry pursuant to sections 210.900 to [210.937] 111 210.936, RSMo.

[8.] 11. The highway patrol shall examine whether protocols can be developed to allow
a provider to request a statewide fingerprint criminal records review check through local law
enforcement agencies.

[9.] 12. A provider may use a private investigatory agency rather than the highway patrol
to do a criminal history records review check, and alternatively, the applicant pays the private
investigatory agency such fees as the provider and such agency shall agree.

118 [10.] **13.** Except for the hiring restriction based on the department of health and senior 119 services employee disqualification list established pursuant to section [660.315] 192.2175, and the registration as a sexual offender under section 589.400, RSMo, the department of health 120 121 and senior services shall promulgate rules and regulations to waive the hiring restrictions 122 pursuant to this section for good cause. For purposes of this section, "good cause" means the 123 department has made a determination by examining [the employee's prior work history and other] 124 relevant factors [that such employee does not present a risk to the health or safety of residents] 125 as established by rule and determined that the hiring restriction contained in subsections 126 8 and 10 of this section is removed and the hiring decision remains the responsibility of the 127 provider.
[660.300.] 192.2181. 1. [When any adult day care worker; chiropractor; Christian 2 Science practitioner; coroner; dentist; embalmer; employee of the departments of social services, 3 mental health, or health and senior services; employee of a local area agency on aging or an 4 organized area agency on aging program; funeral director; home health agency or home health agency employee; hospital and clinic personnel engaged in examination, care, or treatment of 5 6 persons; in-home services owner, provider, operator, or employee; law enforcement officer; 7 long-term care facility administrator or employee; medical examiner; medical resident or intern; 8 mental health professional; minister; nurse; nurse practitioner; optometrist; other health 9 practitioner; peace officer; pharmacist; physical therapist; physician; physician's assistant; 10 podiatrist; probation or parole officer; psychologist; or social worker has reasonable cause to believe that an in-home services client has been abused or neglected, as a result of in-home 11 12 services, he or she shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to the department. If 13 the report is made by a physician of the in-home services client, the department shall maintain 14 contact with the physician regarding the progress of the investigation.

2.] When a report of deteriorating physical condition resulting in possible abuse or neglect of an in-home services client **or consumer** is received by the department, [the client's case manager and] the department nurse shall be notified. The [client's case manager] **department** shall investigate and immediately report the results of the investigation to the department nurse. The department may authorize [the] **an** in-home services provider nurse to assist [the case manager] with the investigation.

[3.] **2.** If requested, local area agencies on aging shall provide volunteer training to those persons listed in subsection [1 of this section] **2 of section 192.2150** regarding the detection and report of abuse and neglect [pursuant to this section.

4. Any person required in subsection 1 of this section to report or cause a report to be
made to the department who fails to do so within a reasonable time after the act of abuse or
neglect is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

5. The report shall contain the names and addresses of the in-home services provider agency, the in-home services employee, the in-home services client, the home health agency, the home health agency employee, information regarding the nature of the abuse or neglect, the name of the complainant, and any other information which might be helpful in an investigation.

6. In addition to those persons required to report under subsection 1 of this section, any other person having reasonable cause to believe that an in-home services client or home health patient has been abused or neglected by an in-home services employee or home health agency employee may report such information to the department.

7. If the investigation indicates possible abuse or neglect of an in-home services clientor home health patient, the investigator shall refer the complaint together with his or her report

37 to the department director or his or her designee for appropriate action. If, during the 38 investigation or at its completion, the department has reasonable cause to believe that immediate 39 action is necessary to protect the in-home services client or home health patient from abuse or 40 neglect, the department or the local prosecuting attorney may, or the attorney general upon 41 request of the department shall, file a petition for temporary care and protection of the in-home 42 services client or home health patient in a circuit court of competent jurisdiction. The circuit 43 court in which the petition is filed shall have equitable jurisdiction to issue an ex parte order granting the department authority for the temporary care and protection of the in-home services 44 45 client or home health patient, for a period not to exceed thirty days.

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8. Reports shall be confidential, as provided under section 660.320.

9. Anyone, except any person who has abused or neglected an in-home services client or home health patient, who makes a report pursuant to this section or who testifies in any administrative or judicial proceeding arising from the report shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability for making such a report or for testifying except for liability for perjury, unless such person acted negligently, recklessly, in bad faith, or with malicious purpose.

52 10. Within five working days after a report required to be made under this section is 53 received, the person making the report shall be notified in writing of its receipt and of the 54 initiation of the investigation.

11. No person who directs or exercises any authority in an in-home services provider agency or home health agency shall harass, dismiss or retaliate against an in-home services client or home health patient, or an in-home services employee or a home health agency employee because he or any member of his or her family has made a report of any violation or suspected violation of laws, standards or regulations applying to the in-home services provider agency or home health agency or any in-home services employee or home health agency employee which he has reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has occurred.

62 12. Any person who abuses or neglects an in-home services client or home health patient 63 is subject to criminal prosecution under section 565.180, 565.182, or 565.184, RSMo. If such 64 person is an in-home services employee and has been found guilty by a court, and if the 65 supervising in- home services provider willfully and knowingly failed to report known abuse by such employee to the department, the supervising in-home services provider may be subject to 66 67 administrative penalties of one thousand dollars per violation to be collected by the department 68 and the money received therefor shall be paid to the director of revenue and deposited in the state 69 treasury to the credit of the general revenue fund. Any in-home services provider which has had 70 administrative penalties imposed by the department or which has had its contract terminated may 71 seek an administrative review of the department's action pursuant to chapter 621, RSMo. Any 72 decision of the administrative hearing commission may be appealed to the circuit court in the

county where the violation occurred for a trial de novo. For purposes of this subsection, the term

- 74 "violation" means a determination of guilt by a court.
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3. The department shall establish a quality assurance and supervision process for **inhome services** clients that requires an in-home services provider agency to [conduct random visits to] verify compliance with program standards and verify the accuracy of records kept by an in-home services employee.

80 [14. The department shall maintain the employee disqualification list and place on the 81 employee disqualification list the names of any persons who have been finally determined by the 82 department, pursuant to section 660.315, to have recklessly, knowingly or purposely abused or 83 neglected an in-home services client or home health patient while employed by an in-home 84 services provider agency or home health agency. For purposes of this section only, "knowingly" and "recklessly" shall have the meanings that are ascribed to them in this section. A person acts 85 86 "knowingly" with respect to the person's conduct when a reasonable person should be aware of 87 the result caused by his or her conduct. A person acts "recklessly" when the person consciously 88 disregards a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the person's conduct will result in serious 89 physical injury and such disregard constitutes a gross deviation from the standard of care that a 90 reasonable person would exercise in the situation.

91 15.] 4. At the time [a] an in-home services client has been assessed to determine the 92 level of care as required by rule and is eligible for in-home services, the department shall conduct 93 a "Safe at Home Evaluation" to determine the **in-home services** client's physical, mental, and 94 environmental capacity. The department shall develop the safe at home evaluation tool by rule 95 in accordance with chapter 536, RSMo. The purpose of the safe at home evaluation is to assure 96 that each in-home services client has the appropriate level of services and professionals involved 97 in the **in-home services** client's care. The plan of service or care for each in-home services client 98 shall be authorized by a nurse. The department may authorize the licensed in-home services 99 nurse, in lieu of the department nurse, to conduct the assessment of the in-home services client's condition and to establish a plan of services or care. The department may use the expertise, 100 101 services, or programs of other departments and agencies on a case-by-case basis to establish the 102 plan of service or care.

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The department may, as indicated by the safe at home evaluation, refer any in-home services
client to a mental health professional, as defined in 9 CSR 30-4.030, for evaluation and treatment
as necessary.

107 [16.] 5. Authorized nurse visits shall occur at least twice annually to assess [the client
108 and the client's plan of services] each in-home services client or consumer and his or her plan

109 of care. The [provider] nurse shall report the results of his or her visits to the [client's case 110 manager] department. If the [provider] nurse believes that the plan of [service] care requires alteration, the department shall be notified and the department shall make [a client] an 111 evaluation. All authorized nurse visits shall be reimbursed to the in-home services provider. All 112 113 authorized nurse visits shall be reimbursed outside of the nursing home cap for in-home services 114 clients or consumers whose services have reached one hundred percent of the average statewide 115 charge for care and treatment in an intermediate care facility, provided that the services have 116 been preauthorized by the department.

117 [17.] 6. All in-home services clients and consumers shall be advised of their rights and 118 responsibilities by the department or the department's designee at the initial evaluation. The 119 rights shall include, but not be limited to, the right to call the department for any reason, 120 including dissatisfaction with the provider or services. The department shall establish a process 121 to receive such nonabuse and neglect calls other than the elder abuse and neglect hotline.

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[18.] 7. Subject to appropriations, all nurse visits authorized in [sections 660.250 to 123 660.300] this section and sections 192.2100 to 192.2130 shall be reimbursed to the in-home 124 services provider agency.

[660.321.] 192.2184. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department shall 2 not disclose personally identifiable medical, social, personal, or financial records of any eligible adult being served by the [division of senior services] department except when disclosed in a 3 4 manner that does not identify the eligible adult, or when ordered to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction. Such records shall be accessible without court order for examination and copying 5 only to the following persons or offices, or to their designees: 6

7 (1) The department or any person or agency designated by the department for such 8 purposes as the department may determine;

(2) The attorney general, to perform his or her constitutional or statutory duties;

10 (3) The department of mental health for residents placed through that department, to 11 perform its constitutional or statutory duties;

12 (4) Any appropriate law enforcement agency, to perform its constitutional or statutory duties; 13

14 (5) The eligible adult, his or her legal guardian or any other person designated by the eligible adult; and 15

16 (6) The department of social services for individuals who receive [Medicaid] MO 17 HealthNet benefits, to perform its constitutional or statutory duties.

[660.310.] **192.2187.** 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the department 2 of health and senior services proposes to deny, suspend, place on probation, or terminate an 3 in-home services provider agency contract, the department of health and senior services shall

serve upon the applicant or contractor written notice of the proposed action to be taken. The 4 5 notice shall contain a statement of the type of action proposed, the basis for it, the date the action 6 will become effective, and a statement that the applicant or contractor shall have thirty days from the date of mailing or delivery of the notice to file a complaint requesting a hearing before the 7 8 administrative hearing commission. The administrative hearing commission may consolidate 9 an applicant's or contractor's complaint with any proceeding before the administrative hearing 10 commission filed by such contractor or applicant pursuant to subsection 3 of section 208.156, 11 RSMo, involving a common question of law or fact. Upon the filing of the complaint, the 12 provisions of sections 621.110, 621.120, 621.125, 621.135, and 621.145, RSMo, shall apply. 13 With respect to cases in which the department has denied a contract to an in-home services 14 provider agency, the administrative hearing commission shall conduct a hearing to determine the 15 underlying basis for such denial. However, if the administrative hearing commission finds that 16 the contract denial is supported by the facts and the law, the case need not be returned to the 17 department. The administrative hearing commission's decision shall constitute affirmation of 18 the department's contract denial.

19 2. The department of health and senior services may issue letters of censure or warning20 without formal notice or hearing.

21 3. The administrative hearing commission may stay the suspension or termination of an 22 in-home services provider agency's contract, or the placement of the contractor on probation, 23 pending the commission's findings and determination in the cause, upon such conditions, with 24 or without the agreement of the parties, as the commission deems necessary and appropriate, 25 including the posting of bond or other security except that the commission shall not grant a stay, 26 or if a stay has already been entered shall set aside its stay, unless the commission finds that the 27 contractor has established that servicing the department's clients pending the commission's final 28 determination would not present an imminent danger to the health, safety, or welfare of any 29 client or a substantial probability that death or serious physical harm would result. The 30 commission may remove the stay at any time that it finds that the contractor has violated any of 31 the conditions of the stay. Such stay shall remain in effect, unless earlier removed by the 32 commission, pending the decision of the commission and any subsequent departmental action 33 at which time the stay shall be removed. In any case in which the department has refused to issue 34 a contract, the commission shall have no authority to stay or to require the issuance of a contract 35 pending final determination by the commission.

4. Stays granted to contractors by the administrative hearing commission shall, as a condition of the stay, require at a minimum that the contractor under the stay operate under the same contractual requirements and regulations as are in effect, from time to time, as are applicable to all other contractors in the program.

5. The administrative hearing commission shall make its final decision based upon the circumstances and conditions as they existed at the time of the action of the department and not based upon circumstances and conditions at the time of the hearing or decision of the commission.

6. In any proceeding before the administrative hearing commission pursuant to thissection, the burden of proof shall be on the contractor or applicant seeking review.

Any person, including the department, aggrieved by a final decision of the
administrative hearing commission may seek judicial review of such decision as provided in
section 621.145, RSMo.

[660.400.] **192.2200.** As used in sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] 2 **192.2203 to 192.2227**, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms mean:

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(1) "Adult", an individual over the age of eighteen;

4 (2) "Adult day care program", a group program designed to provide care and supervision
5 to meet the needs of functionally impaired adults for periods of less than twenty-four hours but
6 more than two hours per day in a place other than the adult's own home;

7 (3) "Adult day care provider", the person, corporation, partnership, association or 8 organization legally responsible for the overall operation of the adult day care program;

(4) "Department", the department of [social] health and senior services;

(5) "Director", the director of the [division of aging] department of health and senior
 services;

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(6) ["Division", the division of aging;

(7)] "Functionally impaired adult", an adult who by reason of age or infirmity requirescare and supervision;

[(8)] (7) "License", the document issued by the [division] **department** in accordance with the provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227** to an adult day care program which authorizes the adult day care provider to operate the program in accordance with the provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227** and the applicable rules promulgated pursuant thereto;

20 [(9)] (8) "Participant", a functionally impaired adult who is enrolled in an adult day care 21 program;

[(10)] (9) "Person", any individual, firm, corporation, partnership, association, agency,
 or an incorporated or unincorporated organization regardless of the name used;

[(11)] (10) "Provisional license", the document issued by the [division] department in accordance with the provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] 192.2203 to 192.2227 to an adult day care provider which is not currently meeting the requirements necessary to obtain a license;

[(12)] (11) "Related", any of the following by blood, marriage or adoption: parent, child, grandchild, brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, stepparent, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, or first cousin;

[(13)] (12) "Staff participant ratio", the number of adult care staff required by the
[division] department in relation to the number of adults being cared for by such staff.

[660.403.] **192.2203.** 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to establish, maintain, or 2 operate an adult day care program, or to advertise or hold himself out as being able to perform 3 any adult day care service, unless he has obtained the proper license.

4 2. All applications for licenses shall be made on forms provided by the [division]
5 department and in the manner prescribed by the [division] department. All forms provided
6 shall include a fee schedule.

7 3. The [division] department shall conduct an investigation of the adult day care
8 program, and the applicant, for which a license is sought in order to determine if such program
9 is complying with the following:

10 (1) Local fire safety requirements or fire safety requirements of the [division] 11 **department** if there are no local codes;

12 (2) Local or state sanitation requirements;

13 (3) Local building and zoning requirements, where applicable;

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(5) Other applicable provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420]

16 192.2203 to 192.2227 and all applicable rules promulgated pursuant thereto, including but not
17 limited to:

(4) Staff/adult ratios required by the [division] department; and

18 (a) The applicant's ability to render adult day care;

19 (b) The proposed plan for providing adult day care;

(c) The proposed plan of operation of the adult day care program, so that, in the
judgment of the [division] department, minimum standards are being met to insure the health
and safety of the participants.

4. Following completion of its investigation made pursuant to subsection 3 of this section and a finding that the applicant for a license has complied with all applicable rules promulgated pursuant to sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420 the division] **192.2203 to 192.2227, the department** shall issue a license to such applicant. Such license shall be valid for the period designated by the [division] **department**, which period shall not exceed two years from the date of issuance, for the premises and persons named in the application.

5. Each license issued under sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] 192.2203 to 192.2227 shall include the name of the provider, owner and operator; the name of the adult day care program; the location of the adult day care program; the hours of operations; the number and any limitations or the type of participants who may be served; and the period forwhich such license is valid.

34 6. The [division] department may issue a provisional license to an adult day care 35 program that is not currently meeting requirements for a license but which demonstrates the potential capacity to meet full requirements for license; except that, no provisional license shall 36 37 be issued unless the director is satisfied that the operation of the adult day care program is not 38 detrimental to the health and safety of the participants being served. The provisional license 39 shall be nonrenewable and shall be valid for the period designated by the [division] department, 40 which period shall not exceed six months from the date of issuance. Upon issuance of a regular 41 license, a day care program's provisional license shall immediately be null and void.

42 [660.405.] **192.2206.** 1. The provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 43 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227** shall not apply to the following:

44 (1) Any adult day care program operated by a person in which care is offered for no more45 than two hours per day;

46 (2) Any adult day care program maintained or operated by the federal government except
 47 where care is provided through a management contract;

48 (3) Any person who cares solely for persons related to the provider or who has been49 designated as guardian of that person;

50 (4) Any adult day care program which cares for no more than four persons unrelated to 51 the provider;

52 (5) Any adult day care program licensed by the department of mental health under 53 chapter 630, RSMo, which provides care, treatment and habilitation exclusively to adults who 54 have a primary diagnosis of mental disorder, mental illness, mental retardation or developmental 55 disability as defined;

(6) Any adult day care program administered or maintained by a religious not-for-profit
organization serving a social or religious function if the adult day care program does not hold
itself out as providing the prescription or usage of physical or medical therapeutic activities or
as providing or administering medicines or drugs.

2. Nothing in this section shall prohibit any person listed in subsection 1 of this section
from applying for a license or receiving a license if the adult day care program owned or operated
by such person conforms to the provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420]

63 **192.2203 to 192.2227** and all applicable rules promulgated pursuant thereto.

[660.407.] 192.2209. 1. The director, or his authorized representative, shall have the
right to enter the premises of an applicant for or holder of a license at any time during the hours
of operation of a center to determine compliance with provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo,
and 660.403 to 660.420] 192.2203 to 192.2227 and applicable rules promulgated pursuant

5 thereto. Entry shall also be granted for investigative purposes involving complaints regarding
6 the operations of an adult day care program. The [division] department shall make at least two

6 the operations of an adult day care program. The [division] department shall make at least two
7 inspections per year, at least one of which shall be unannounced to the operator or provider. The

8 [division] **department** may make such other inspections, announced or unannounced, as it

9 deems necessary to carry out the provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to

10 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227**.

2. The applicant for or holder of a license shall cooperate with the investigation and inspection by providing access to the adult day care program, records and staff, and by providing access to the adult day care program to determine compliance with the rules promulgated pursuant to sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227**.

3. Failure to comply with any lawful request of the [division] department in connection
with the investigation and inspection is a ground for refusal to issue a license or for the
suspension or revocation of a license.

4. The [division] department may designate to act for it, with full authority of law, any
 instrumentality of any political subdivision of the state of Missouri deemed by the [division]
 department to be competent to investigate and inspect applicants for or holders of licenses.

[660.409.] **192.2212.** Each application for a license, or the renewal thereof, issued pursuant to sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227** shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee in the amount required by the [division] **department**. The fee, to be determined by the director [of the division], shall not exceed one hundred dollars and shall be based on the licensed capacity of the applicant.

[660.411.] **192.2215.** The [division] **department** shall offer technical assistance or consultation to assist applicants for or holders of licenses or provisional licenses in meeting the requirements of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227**, staff qualifications, and other aspects involving the operation of an adult day care program, and to assist in the achievement of programs of excellence related to the provision of adult day care.

[660.414.] **192.2218.** 1. Whenever the [division] **department** is advised or has reason to believe that any person is operating an adult day care program without a license, or provisional license, or that any holder of license, or provisional license is not in compliance with the provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420, the division] **192.2203 to 192.2227, the department** shall make an investigation and inspection to ascertain the facts. If the [division] **department** is not permitted access to the adult day care program in question, the [division] **department** may apply to the circuit court of the county in which the program is located for an order authorizing entry for inspection. The court shall issue the order if it finds

9 reasonable grounds necessitating the inspection.

If the [division] department finds that the adult day care program is being operated
 in violation of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] 192.2203 to 192.2227, it may
 seek, among other remedies, injunctive relief against the adult day care program.

[660.416.] **192.2221.** 1. Any person aggrieved by an official action of the [division] department either refusing to issue a license or revoking or suspending a license may seek a 2 3 determination thereon by the administrative hearing commission [pursuant to the provisions of section 161.272] under section 621.045, RSMo, et seq.; except that, the petition must be filed 4 with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days after the mailing or delivery of 5 6 notice to the applicant for or holder of such license or certificate. When the notification of the official action is mailed to the applicant for or holder of such a license, there shall be included 7 in the notice a statement of the procedure whereby the applicant for or holder of such license may 8 9 appeal the decision of the [division] department before the administrative hearing commission. 10 It shall not be a condition to such determination that the person aggrieved seek a reconsideration, 11 a rehearing or exhaust any other procedure within the [division] department.

12 2. The administrative hearing commission may stay the revocation or suspension of such 13 certificate or license, pending the commission's findings and determination in the cause, upon 14 such conditions as the commission deems necessary and appropriate including the posting of bond or other security; except that, the commission shall not grant a stay or if a stay has already 15 been entered shall set aside its stay, if, upon application of the [division] department, the 16 17 commission finds reason to believe that continued operation of the facility to which the certificate or license in question applies pending the commission's final determination would 18 19 present an imminent danger to the health, safety or welfare of any person or a substantial probability that death or serious physical harm would result. In any case in which the [division] 20 21 **department** has refused to issue a certificate or license, the commission shall have no authority 22 to stay or to require the issuance of a license pending final determination by the commission.

3. The administrative hearing commission shall make the final decision as to the issuance, suspension, or revocation of a license. Any person aggrieved by a final decision of the administrative hearing commission, including the [division] **department**, may seek judicial review of such decision by filing a petition for review in the court of appeals for the district in which the adult day care program to which the license in question applies is located. Review shall be had in accordance with the provisions of sections [161.337 and 161.338] **621.189 and 621.193**, RSMo.

[660.418.] 192.2224. The director [of the division] shall have the authority to promulgate
rules pursuant to this section and chapter 536, RSMo, in order to carry out the provisions of
sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated
under the authority of section 199.025, RSMo, and sections 660.403 to 660.420 shall become

5 effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024, RSMo]

6 192.2203 to 192.2227. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section

7 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become

8 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536,
9 RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are

10 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to

11 chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule

12 are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any

13 rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2009, shall be invalid and void.

[660.420.] 192.2227. 1. Any person who violates any provision of sections [199.025,
RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] 192.2203 to 192.2227, or who, for himself or for any other
person, makes materially false statements in order to obtain a certificate or license, or the renewal
thereof, issued pursuant to sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420, shall be] 192.2203
to 192.2227, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

6 2. Any person who is convicted pursuant to this section shall, in addition to all other 7 penalties provided by law, have any license issued to [him] **such person** under sections 8 [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2227** revoked, and shall not operate, 9 nor hold any license to operate, any adult day care program, or other entity governed by the 10 provisions of sections [199.025, RSMo, and 660.403 to 660.420] **192.2203 to 192.2203 to 192.2227** for a 11 period of three years after such conviction.

[660.620.] **192.2250.** 1. There is hereby established an "Office of Advocacy and 2 Assistance for Senior Citizens" within the office of lieutenant governor.

2. The senior citizen advocate shall coordinate activities with the long-term care
ombudsman program, as defined in section [660.600] 198.700, RSMo, on complaints made by
or on behalf of senior citizens residing in long-term care facilities.

6 3. The senior citizen advocate shall conduct a suitable investigation into any actions 7 complained of unless the senior citizen advocate finds that the complaint pertains to a matter 8 outside the scope of the authority of the senior citizen advocate, the complainant has no 9 substantive or procedural interest which is directly affected by the matter complained about, or 10 the complaint is trivial, frivolous, vexatious or not made in good faith.

4. After completing his investigation of a complaint, the senior citizen advocate shall inform the complainant, the agency, official or employee of action recommended by the senior citizen advocate. The senior citizen advocate shall make such reports and recommendations to the affected agencies, the governor and the general assembly as he deems necessary to further the purposes of sections [660.620 and 660.625] **192.2250 and 192.2253**.

16	5. The senior citizen advocate shall, in conjunction with the [division of senior services,
17	act as a clearinghouse for] department , maintain information pertaining to and of interest to
18 19	senior citizens and shall disseminate such information as is necessary to inform senior citizens of their rights and of governmental and nongovernmental services available to them.
19	[660.625.] 192.2253. The senior citizen advocate shall maintain confidentiality with
2	respect to all matters, including the identities of the complainants or witnesses coming before
3	the senior citizen advocate unless the complainant consents to the use of his or her name in the
4	course of the investigation.
	198.006. As used in sections 198.003 to 198.186, unless the context clearly indicates
2	otherwise, the following terms mean:
3	(1) "Abuse", the infliction of physical, sexual, or emotional injury or harm, or financial
4	exploitation by any person, firm, or corporation as defined in section 570.145, RSMo;
5	(2) "Activities of daily living" or "ADL", one or more of the following activities of daily
6	living:
7	(a) Eating;
8	(b) Dressing;
9	(c) Bathing;
10	(d) Toileting;
11	(e) Transferring; and
12	(f) Walking;
13	(3) "Administrator", the person who is in general administrative charge of a facility;
14	(4) "Affiliate":
15	(a) With respect to a partnership, each partner thereof;
16	(b) With respect to a limited partnership, the general partner and each limited partner
17	with an interest of five percent or more in the limited partnership;
18	(c) With respect to a corporation, each person who owns, holds or has the power to vote
19	five percent or more of any class of securities issued by the corporation, and each officer and
20	director;
21	(d) With respect to a natural person, any parent, child, sibling, or spouse of that person;
22	(5) "Appropriately trained and qualified individual", an individual who is licensed or
23	registered with the state of Missouri in a health care-related field or an individual with a degree
24	in a health care-related field or an individual with a degree in a health care, social services, or
25	human services field or an individual licensed under chapter 344, RSMo, and who has received
26	facility orientation training under 19 CSR [30-86042(18)] 30-86.047(62), and dementia training
27	under section [660.050, RSMo] 192.2000, and twenty-four hours of additional training, approved

28 by the department, consisting of definition and assessment of activities of daily living,29 assessment of cognitive ability, service planning, and interview skills;

30 (6) "Assisted living facility", any premises, other than a residential care facility, 31 intermediate care facility, or skilled nursing facility, that is utilized by its owner, operator, or 32 manager to provide twenty-four-hour care and services and protective oversight to three or more 33 residents who are provided with shelter, board, and who may need and are provided with the 34 following:

(a) Assistance with any activities of daily living and any instrumental activities of dailyliving;

(b) Storage, distribution, or administration of medications; and

(c) Supervision of health care under the direction of a licensed physician, provided that
 such services are consistent with a social model of care;

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41 Such term shall not include a facility where all of the residents are related within the fourth42 degree of consanguinity or affinity to the owner, operator, or manager of the facility;

(7) "Community-based assessment", documented basic information and analysis
provided by appropriately trained and qualified individuals describing an individual's abilities
and needs in activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, vision/hearing,
nutrition, social participation and support, and cognitive functioning using an assessment tool
approved by the department of health and senior services that is designed for community-based
services and that is not the nursing home minimum data set;

49 (8) "Dementia", a general term for the loss of thinking, remembering, and reasoning so
50 severe that it interferes with an individual's daily functioning, and may cause symptoms that
51 include changes in personality, mood, and behavior;

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(9) "Department", the Missouri department of health and senior services;

(10) "Emergency", a situation, physical condition or one or more practices, methods or
 operations which presents imminent danger of death or serious physical or mental harm to
 residents of a facility;

56 (11) "Facility", any residential care facility, assisted living facility, intermediate care 57 facility, or skilled nursing facility;

(12) "Health care provider", any person providing health care services or goods to
residents and who receives funds in payment for such goods or services under [Medicaid] MO
HealthNet;

61 (13) "Instrumental activities of daily living", or "IADL", one or more of the following62 activities:

63 (a) Preparing meals;

- 64 (b) Shopping for personal items;
- 65 (c) Medication management;
- 66 (d) Managing money;
- 67 (e) Using the telephone;
- 68 (f) Housework; and
- 69 (g) Transportation ability;

(14) "Intermediate care facility", any premises, other than a residential care facility, assisted living facility, or skilled nursing facility, which is utilized by its owner, operator, or manager to provide twenty-four-hour accommodation, board, personal care, and basic health and nursing care services under the daily supervision of a licensed nurse and under the direction of a licensed physician to three or more residents dependent for care and supervision and who are not related within the fourth degree of consanguinity or affinity to the owner, operator or manager of the facility;

(15) "Manager", any person other than the administrator of a facility who contracts or
otherwise agrees with an owner or operator to supervise the general operation of a facility,
providing such services as hiring and training personnel, purchasing supplies, keeping financial
records, and making reports;

81 (16) ["Medicaid"] "MO HealthNet", medical assistance under section 208.151, RSMo,
82 et seq., in compliance with Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the Social
83 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301, et seq.), as amended;

(17) "Neglect", the failure to provide, by those responsible for the care, custody, and
control of a resident in a facility, the services which are reasonable and necessary to maintain the
physical and mental health of the resident, when such failure presents either an imminent danger
to the health, safety or welfare of the resident or a substantial probability that death or serious
physical harm would result;

89 (18) "Operator", any person licensed or required to be licensed under the provisions of
90 sections 198.003 to 198.096 in order to establish, conduct or maintain a facility;

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(19) "Owner", any person who owns an interest of five percent or more in:

- 92 (a) The land on which any facility is located;
- 93 (b) The structure or structures in which any facility is located;

94 (c) Any mortgage, contract for deed, or other obligation secured in whole or in part by 95 the land or structure in or on which a facility is located; or

96 (d) Any lease or sublease of the land or structure in or on which a facility is located.

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98 "Owner" does not include a holder of a debenture or bond purchased at public issue nor does it

99 include any regulated lender unless the entity or person directly or through a subsidiary operates100 a facility;

(20) "Protective oversight", an awareness twenty-four hours a day of the location of a
resident, the ability to intervene on behalf of the resident, the supervision of nutrition,
medication, or actual provisions of care, and the responsibility for the welfare of the resident,
except where the resident is on voluntary leave;

(21) "Resident", a person who by reason of aging, illness, disease, or physical or mental
 infirmity receives or requires care and services furnished by a facility and who resides or boards
 in or is otherwise kept, cared for, treated or accommodated in such facility for a period exceeding
 twenty-four consecutive hours;

109 (22) "Residential care facility", any premises, other than an assisted living facility, 110 intermediate care facility, or skilled nursing facility, which is utilized by its owner, operator or 111 manager to provide twenty-four-hour care to three or more residents, who are not related within 112 the fourth degree of consanguinity or affinity to the owner, operator, or manager of the facility 113 and who need or are provided with shelter, board, and with protective oversight, which may 114 include storage and distribution or administration of medications and care during short-term 115 illness or recuperation, except that, for purposes of receiving supplemental welfare assistance 116 payments under section 208.030, RSMo, only any residential care facility licensed as a 117 residential care facility II immediately prior to August 28, 2006, and that continues to meet such 118 licensure requirements for a residential care facility II licensed immediately prior to August 28, 119 2006, shall continue to receive after August 28, 2006, the payment amount allocated immediately 120 prior to August 28, 2006, for a residential care facility II under section 208.030;

121 (23) "Skilled nursing facility", any premises, other than a residential care facility, an 122 assisted living facility, or an intermediate care facility, which is utilized by its owner, operator 123 or manager to provide for twenty-four-hour accommodation, board and skilled nursing care and 124 treatment services to at least three residents who are not related within the fourth degree of 125 consanguinity or affinity to the owner, operator or manager of the facility. Skilled nursing care 126 and treatment services are those services commonly performed by or under the supervision of 127 a registered professional nurse for individuals requiring twenty-four- hours-a-day care by 128 licensed nursing personnel including acts of observation, care and counsel of the aged, ill, injured 129 or infirm, the administration of medications and treatments as prescribed by a licensed physician 130 or dentist, and other nursing functions requiring substantial specialized judgment and skill;

(24) "Social model of care", long-term care services based on the abilities, desires, and
functional needs of the individual delivered in a setting that is more home-like than institutional
and promotes the dignity, individuality, privacy, independence, and autonomy of the individual.

Any facility licensed as a residential care facility II prior to August 28, 2006, shall qualify as being more home-like than institutional with respect to construction and physical plant standards;

136 (25) "Vendor", any person selling goods or services to a health care provider;

137 (26) "Voluntary leave", an off-premise leave initiated by:

(a) A resident that has not been declared mentally incompetent or incapacitated by acourt; or

(b) A legal guardian of a resident that has been declared mentally incompetent orincapacitated by a court.

198.090. 1. An operator may make available to any resident the service of holding in trust personal possessions and funds of the resident and shall, as authorized by the resident, expend the funds to meet the resident's personal needs. In providing this service the operator shall:

5 (1) At the time of admission, provide each resident or his next of kin or legal guardian 6 with a written statement explaining the resident's rights regarding personal funds;

7 (2) Accept funds and personal possessions from or for a resident for safekeeping and
8 management, only upon written authorization by the resident or by his designee, or guardian in
9 the case of an adjudged incompetent;

(3) Deposit any personal funds received from or on behalf of a resident in an account
separate from the facility's funds, except that an amount to be established by rule of the [division
of aging] department may be kept in a petty cash fund for the resident's personal needs;

(4) Keep a written account, available to a resident and his designee or guardian,
maintained on a current basis for each resident, with written receipts, for all personal possessions
and funds received by or deposited with the facility and for all disbursements made to or on
behalf of the resident;

17 (5) Provide each resident or his designee or guardian with a quarterly accounting of all18 financial transactions made on behalf of the resident;

(6) Within five days of the discharge of a resident, provide the resident, or his designee
or guardian, with an up-to-date accounting of the resident's personal funds and return to the
resident the balance of his funds and all his personal possessions;

(7) Upon the death of a resident who has been a recipient of aid, assistance, care,
services, or who has had moneys expended on his or her behalf by the department of social
services, provide the department of social services a complete account of all the resident's
personal funds within sixty days from the date of death.

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The total amount paid to the decedent or expended upon his **or her** behalf by the department **of social services** shall be a debt due the state and recovered from the available funds upon the

[department's] claim by the department of social services on such funds. The department of 29 30 social services shall make a claim on the funds within sixty days from the date of the accounting 31 of the funds by the facility. The nursing facility shall pay the claim made by the department of 32 social services from the resident's personal funds within sixty days. Where the name and address 33 are reasonably ascertainable, the department of social services shall give notice of the debt due 34 the state to the person whom the recipient had designated to receive the quarterly accounting of 35 all financial transactions made under this section, or the resident's guardian or conservator or the 36 person or persons listed in nursing home records as a responsible party or the fiduciary of the 37 resident's estate. If any funds are available after the [department's] claim by the department of 38 social services, the remaining provisions of this section shall apply to the balance, unless the 39 funds belonged to a person other than the resident, in which case the funds shall be paid to that 40 person;

41 (8) Upon the death of a resident who has not been a recipient of aid, assistance, care, 42 services, or who has not had moneys expended on his or her behalf by the department of social 43 services or the department of social services has not made a claim on the funds, provide the 44 fiduciary of resident's estate, at the fiduciary's request, a complete account of all the resident's 45 personal funds and possessions and deliver to the fiduciary all possessions of the resident and the balance of the resident's funds. If, after one year from the date of death, no fiduciary makes 46 47 claim upon such funds or possessions, the operator shall notify the department that the funds 48 remain unclaimed. Such unclaimed funds or possessions shall be disposed of as follows:

(a) If the unclaimed funds or possessions have a value totaling one hundred and fifty
dollars or less, the funds or the proceeds of the sale of the possessions may be deposited in a fund
to be used for the benefit of all residents of the facility by providing the residents social or
educational activities. The facility shall keep an accounting of the acquisitions and expenditure
of these funds; or

(b) If the unclaimed funds or possessions have a value greater than one hundred and fifty dollars, the funds or possessions shall be immediately presumed to be abandoned property under sections 447.500 to 447.585, RSMo, and the procedures provided for in those sections shall apply notwithstanding any other provisions of those sections which require a period greater than two years for a presumption of abandonment;

(9) Upon ceasing to be the operator of a facility, all funds and property held in trust pursuant to this section shall be transferred to the new operator in accordance with sound accounting principles, and a closeout report signed by both the outgoing operator and the successor operator shall be prepared. The closeout report shall include a list of current balances of all funds held for residents respectively and an inventory of all property held for residents respectively. If the outgoing operator refuses to sign the closeout report, he shall state in writing

65 the specific reasons for his failure to so sign, and the successor operator shall complete the report

and attach an affidavit stating that the information contained therein is true to the best of hisknowledge and belief. Such report shall be retained with all other records and accounts required

68 to be maintained under this section;

(10) Not be required to invest any funds received from or on behalf of a resident, nor toincrease the principal of any such funds.

71 2. Any owner, operator, manager, employee, or affiliate of an owner or operator who 72 receives any personal property or anything else of value from a resident, shall, if the thing 73 received has a value of ten dollars or more, make a written statement giving the date it was 74 received, from whom it was received, and its estimated value. Statements required to be made 75 pursuant to this subsection shall be retained by the operator and shall be made available for 76 inspection by the department, or by the department of mental health when the resident has been 77 placed by that department, and by the resident, and his designee or legal guardian. Any person 78 who fails to make a statement required by this subsection is guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

3. No owner, operator, manager, employee, or affiliate of an owner or operator shall in
one calendar year receive any personal property or anything else of value from the residents of
any facility which have a total estimated value in excess of one hundred dollars.

4. Subsections 2 and 3 of this section shall not apply if the property or other thing of value is held in trust in accordance with subsection 1 of this section, is received in payment for services rendered or pursuant to the terms of a lawful contract, or is received from a resident who is related to the recipient within the fourth degree of consanguinity or affinity.

5. Any operator who fails to maintain records or who fails to maintain any resident's personal funds in an account separate from the facility's funds as required by this section shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.

6. Any operator, or any affiliate or employee of an operator, who puts to his own use or the use of the facility or otherwise diverts from the resident's use any personal funds of the resident shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

92 [7. Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a misappropriation of a resident's93 funds or property has occurred may report such information to the department.

8. For each report the division shall attempt to obtain the name and address of the facility, the name of the facility employee, the name of the resident, information regarding the nature of the misappropriation, the name of the complainant, and any other information which might be helpful in an investigation.

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9. Upon receipt of a report, the department shall initiate an investigation.

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10. If the investigation indicates probable misappropriation of property or funds of a
resident, the investigator shall refer the complaint together with his report to the department
director or his designee for appropriate action.

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11. Reports shall be confidential, as provided under section 660.320, RSMo.

103 12. Anyone, except any person participating in or benefiting from the misappropriation 104 of funds, who makes a report pursuant to this section or who testifies in any administrative or 105 judicial proceeding arising from the report shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability 106 for making such a report or for testifying except for liability for perjury, unless such person acted 107 negligently, recklessly, in bad faith, or with malicious purpose.

108 13. Within five working days after a report required to be made under this section is 109 received, the person making the report shall be notified in writing of its receipt and of the 110 initiation of the investigation.

111 14. No person who directs or exercises any authority in a facility shall evict, harass, 112 dismiss or retaliate against a resident or employee because he or any member of his family has 113 made a report of any violation or suspected violation of laws, ordinances or regulations applying 114 to the facility which he has reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has occurred.

115 15. The department shall maintain the employee disqualification list and place on the 116 employee disqualification list the names of any persons who have been finally determined by the 117 department, pursuant to section 660.315, RSMo, to have misappropriated any property or funds 118 of a resident while employed in any facility.]

198.532. 1. Complaints filed with the department of health and senior services against a long-term care facility which allege that harm has occurred or is likely to occur to a resident or residents of the facility due to actions or the lack of actions taken by the facility shall be investigated within thirty days of receipt of such complaints. The purpose of such investigation shall be to ensure the safety, protection and care of all residents of the facility likely to be affected by the alleged action or inaction. Such investigation shall be in addition to the investigation requirements for abuse and neglect reports pursuant to section [198.070] **192.2150**, **RSMo**.

9 2. The department shall provide the results of all investigations in accordance with 10 section [660.320] **192.2150**, RSMo. The department shall provide the results of such 11 investigation in writing to all parties to the complaint, and if requested, to any of the facility's 12 residents, or their family members or guardians. Complaints and written results will be readily 13 available for public access and review at the department of health and senior services and at the 14 long-term care facility. Personal information identifying the resident will be blanked out, except 15 in regard to immediate family, the attorney-in-fact or the legal guardian of the resident in

16 question. This information will remain readily available for a period of time determined by the

17 department of health and senior services.

[660.600.] **198.700.** As used in sections [660.600 to 660.608] **198.700 to 198.708**, the 2 following terms mean:

3 (1) ["Division", the division of aging of] "Department", the department of [social]
4 health and senior services;

5 (2) "Long-term care facility", any facility licensed pursuant to chapter 198, RSMo, and 6 long-term care facilities connected with hospitals licensed pursuant to chapter 197, RSMo;

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(3) "Office", the office of the state ombudsman for long-term care facility residents;

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(4) "Ombudsman", the state ombudsman for long-term care facility residents;

9 (5) "Regional ombudsman coordinators", designated individuals working for, or under 10 contract with, the area agencies on aging, and who are so designated by the area agency on aging 11 and certified by the ombudsman as meeting the qualifications established by the [division] 12 **department**;

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(6) "Resident", any person who is receiving care or treatment in a long-term care facility.[660.603.] **198.703.** 1. There is hereby established within the department of health and

2 senior services the "Office of State Ombudsman for Long-Term Care Facility Residents", for the

3 purpose of helping to assure the adequacy of care received by residents of long-term care

4 facilities and to improve the quality of life experienced by them, in accordance with the federal

5 Older Americans Act, 42 U.S.C. 3001, et seq.

6 2. The office shall be administered by the state ombudsman, who shall devote his or her7 entire time to the duties of his or her position.

8 3. The office shall establish and implement procedures for receiving, processing, 9 responding to, and resolving complaints made by or on behalf of residents of long-term care 10 facilities relating to action, inaction, or decisions of providers, or their representatives, of 11 long-term care services, of public agencies or of social service agencies, which may adversely 12 affect the health, safety, welfare or rights of such residents.

4. The department shall establish and implement procedures for resolution of complaints.The ombudsman or representatives of the office shall have the authority to:

(1) Enter any long-term care facility and have access to residents of the facility at a
reasonable time and in a reasonable manner. The ombudsman shall have access to review
resident records, if given permission by the resident or the resident's legal guardian. Residents
of the facility shall have the right to request, deny, or terminate visits with an ombudsman;

(2) Make the necessary inquiries and review such information and records as the
 ombudsman or representative of the office deems necessary to accomplish the objective of
 verifying these complaints.

5. The office shall acknowledge complaints, report its findings, make recommendations,
gather and disseminate information and other material, and publicize its existence.

6. The ombudsman may recommend to the relevant governmental agency changes in the rules and regulations adopted or proposed by such governmental agency which do or may adversely affect the health, safety, welfare, or civil or human rights of any resident in a facility. The office shall analyze and monitor the development and implementation of federal, state and local laws, regulations and policies with respect to long-term care facilities and services in the state and shall recommend to the department changes in such laws, regulations and policies deemed by the office to be appropriate.

7. The office shall promote community contact and involvement with residents of
facilities through the use of volunteers and volunteer programs directed by the regional
ombudsman coordinators.

8. The office shall develop and establish by regulation of the department statewide policies and standards for implementing the activities of the ombudsman program, including the qualifications and the training of regional ombudsman coordinators and ombudsman volunteers.

37 9. The office shall develop and propose programs for use, training and coordination of38 volunteers in conjunction with the regional ombudsman coordinators and may:

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(1) Establish and conduct recruitment programs for volunteers;

40 (2) Establish and conduct training seminars, meetings and other programs for volunteers;41 and

42 (3) Supply personnel, written materials and such other reasonable assistance, including43 publicizing their activities, as may be deemed necessary.

10. The regional ombudsman coordinators and ombudsman volunteers shall have the
authority to report instances of abuse and neglect to the ombudsman hotline operated by the
department.

47 11. If the regional ombudsman coordinator or volunteer finds that a nursing home 48 administrator is not willing to work with the ombudsman program to resolve complaints, the 49 state ombudsman shall be notified. The department shall establish procedures by rule in 50 accordance with chapter 536, RSMo, for implementation of this subsection.

51 12. The office shall prepare and distribute to each facility written notices which set forth
52 the address and telephone number of the office, a brief explanation of the function of the office,
53 the procedure to follow in filing a complaint and other pertinent information.

54 13. The administrator of each facility shall ensure that such written notice is given to 55 every resident or the resident's guardian upon admission to the facility and to every person 56 already in residence, or to his guardian. The administrator shall also post such written notice in

57 a conspicuous, public place in the facility in the number and manner set forth in the regulations

58 adopted by the department.

14. The office shall inform residents, their guardians or their families of their rights and
entitlements under state and federal laws and rules and regulations by means of the distribution
of educational materials and group meetings.

[660.605.] **198.705.** 1. Any files maintained by the ombudsman program shall be disclosed only at the discretion of the ombudsman having authority over the disposition of such files, except that the identity of any complainant or resident of a long-term care facility shall not be disclosed by such ombudsman unless:

5 (1) Such complainant or resident, or the complainant's or resident's legal representative,
6 consents in writing to such disclosure; or

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(2) Such disclosure is required by court order.

8 2. Any representative of the office conducting or participating in any examination of a 9 complaint who shall knowingly and willfully disclose to any person other than the office, or 10 those authorized by the office to receive it, the name of any witness examined or any information 11 obtained or given upon such examination, shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor. However, 12 the ombudsman conducting or participating in any examination of a complaint shall disclose the 13 final result of the examination to the facility with the consent of the resident.

3. Any statement or communication made by the office relevant to a complaint received by, proceedings before or activities of the office and any complaint or information made or provided in good faith by any person, shall be absolutely privileged and such person shall be immune from suit.

4. The office shall not be required to testify in any court with respect to matters held to
be confidential in this section except as the court may deem necessary to enforce the provisions
of sections [660.600 to 660.608] 198.700 to 198.708, or where otherwise required by court order.

[660.608.] **198.708.** 1. Any regional coordinator or local program staff, whether an employee or an unpaid volunteer, shall be treated as a representative of the office. No representative of the office shall be held liable for good faith performance of his **or her** official duties under the provisions of sections [660.600 to 660.608] **198.700 to 198.708** and shall be immune from suit for the good faith performance of such duties. Every representative of the office shall be considered a state employee under section 105.711, RSMo.

2. No reprisal or retaliatory action shall be taken against any resident or employee of a
long-term care facility for any communication made or information given to the office. Any
person who knowingly or willfully violates the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of
a class A misdemeanor. Any person who serves or served on a quality assessment and assurance
committee required under 42 U.S.C. sec. 1396r(b)(1)(B) and 42 CFR sec. [483.75(r)] 483.75(o),

- or as amended, shall be immune from civil liability only for acts done directly as a member of 12
- such committee so long as the acts are performed in good faith, without malice and are required 13
- 14 by the activities of such committee as defined in 42 CFR sec. [483.75(r)] 483.75(o).
- 208.909. 1. Consumers receiving personal care assistance services shall be responsible for: 2
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(1) Supervising their personal care attendant;

(2) Verifying wages to be paid to the personal care attendant;

- 5 (3) Preparing and submitting time sheets, signed by both the consumer and personal care attendant, to the vendor on a biweekly basis; 6
- 7 (4) Promptly notifying the department within ten days of any changes in circumstances 8 affecting the personal care assistance services plan or in the consumer's place of residence; and
- 9 (5) Reporting any problems resulting from the quality of services rendered by the 10 personal care attendant to the vendor. If the consumer is unable to resolve any problems 11 resulting from the quality of service rendered by the personal care attendant with the vendor, the 12 consumer shall report the situation to the department.
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2. Participating vendors shall be responsible for:

- 14 (1) Collecting time sheets and certifying their accuracy;
- (2) The [Medicaid] MO HealthNet reimbursement process, including the filing of 15 claims and reporting data to the department as required by rule; 16
- 17 (3) Transmitting the individual payment directly to the personal care attendant on behalf 18 of the consumer;
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- (4) Monitoring the performance of the personal care assistance services plan.

20 3. No state or federal financial assistance shall be authorized or expended to pay for services provided to a consumer under sections 208.900 to 208.927, if the primary benefit of the 21 22 services is to the household unit, or is a household task that the members of the consumer's 23 household may reasonably be expected to share or do for one another when they live in the same 24 household, unless such service is above and beyond typical activities household members may 25 reasonably provide for another household member without a disability.

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- 4. No state or federal financial assistance shall be authorized or expended to pay for 27 personal care assistance services provided by a personal care attendant who [is listed on any of 28 the background check lists in the family care safety registry under sections 210.900 to 210.937, 29 RSMo, unless a good cause waiver is first obtained from the department in accordance with
- 30 section 660.317, RSMo]:

31 (1) Is listed on the employee disqualification list maintained by the department of 32 health and senior services under section 192.2150, RSMo;

(2) Is registered as a sexual offender under section 589.400, RSMo, and whose name
 appears on the sexual offender registry; or

(3) Has a disqualifying criminal history under section 192.2178, RSMo, unless a
 good cause waiver is first obtained from the department in accordance with section
 192.2178, RSMo.

210.900. 1. Sections 210.900 to 210.936 shall be known and may be cited as the 2 "Family Care Safety Act".

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2. As used in sections 210.900 to 210.936, the following terms shall mean:

4 (1) "Child-care provider", any licensed or license-exempt child-care home, any licensed 5 or license-exempt child-care center, **in-home provider under contract with the department** 6 **of health and senior services,** child-placing agency, residential care facility for children, group 7 home, foster family group home, foster family home, employment agency that refers a child-care 8 worker to parents or guardians as defined in section 289.005, RSMo. The term "child-care 9 provider" does not include summer camps or voluntary associations designed primarily for 10 recreational or educational purposes;

(2) "Child-care worker", any person who is employed by a child-care provider, or
 receives state or federal funds, either by direct payment, reimbursement or voucher payment, as
 remuneration for child-care services;

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(3) "Department", the department of health and senior services;

15 (4) "Elder-care provider", any operator licensed pursuant to chapter 198, RSMo, or any 16 person, corporation, or association who provides in-home services under contract with the 17 [division of aging] **department**, or any employer of nurses or nursing assistants of home health 18 agencies licensed pursuant to sections 197.400 to 197.477, RSMo, or any nursing assistants 19 employed by a hospice pursuant to sections 197.250 to 197.280, RSMo, or that portion of a 20 hospital for which subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section 198.012, RSMo, applies;

(5) "Elder-care worker", any person who is employed by an elder-care provider, or who
 receives state or federal funds, either by direct payment, reimbursement or voucher payment, as
 remuneration for elder-care services;

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(6) "Patrol", the Missouri state highway patrol;

(7) "Employer", any child-care provider, elder-care provider, or personal-care provider
 as defined in this section;

(8) "Personal-care attendant" or "personal-care worker", a person who performs routine
services or supports necessary for a person with a physical or mental disability to enter and
maintain employment or to live independently;

(9) "Personal-care provider", any person, corporation, or association who provides
 personal-care services or supports under contract with the department of mental health, [the

32 division of aging,] the department of health and senior services or the department of elementary

33 and secondary education;

(10) "Related child care", child care provided only to a child or children by such child's
 or children's grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts or uncles, or siblings living in a residence
 separate from the child or children;

(11) "Related elder care", care provided only to an elder by an adult child, a spouse, a
grandchild, a great-grandchild or a sibling of such elder;

(12) "Related personal care", care provided for a person with a physical or mental
 disability by an adult child, spouse, grandchild, great-grandchild, or sibling of such person.

210.906. 1. Every child-care worker or elder-care worker hired on or after January 1,
2001, or personal-care worker hired on or after January 1, 2002, shall complete a registration
form provided by the department. The department shall make such forms available no later than
January 1, 2001, and may, by rule, determine the specific content of such form, but every form
shall:

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(1) Request the valid Social Security number of the applicant;

7 (2) Include information on the person's right to appeal the information contained in the 8 registry pursuant to section 210.912;

9 (3) Contain the signed consent of the applicant for the background checks required 10 pursuant to this section; and

11 (4) Contain the signed consent for the release of information contained in the 12 background check for employment purposes only.

2. Every child-care worker or elder-care worker hired on or after January 1, 2001, and every personal-care worker hired on or after January 1, 2002, shall complete a registration form within fifteen days of the beginning of such person's employment. Any person employed as a child-care, elder-care or personal-care worker who fails to submit a completed registration form to the department of health and senior services as required by sections 210.900 to 210.936 without good cause, as determined by the department, is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

The costs of the criminal background check may be paid by the individual applicant,
 or by the provider if the applicant is so employed, or for those applicants receiving public
 assistance, by the state through the terms of the self-sufficiency pact pursuant to section 208.325,
 RSMo. Any moneys remitted to the patrol for the costs of the criminal background check shall
 be deposited to the credit of the criminal record system fund as required by section 43.530,
 RSMo.

4. Any person licensed pursuant to sections 210.481 to 210.565 shall be automatically
registered in the family care safety registry at no additional cost other than the costs required
pursuant to sections 210.481 to 210.565.

5. Any person not required to register pursuant to the provisions of sections 210.900 to 29 210.936 may also be included in the registry if such person voluntarily applies to the department 30 for registration and meets the requirements of this section and section 210.909, including 31 submitting to the background checks in subsection 1 of section 210.909.

6. The provisions of sections 210.900 to 210.936 shall not extend to related child care,
related elder care or related personal care that is not reimbursed from state or federal moneys
directly or indirectly.

565.180. 1. A person commits the crime of elder abuse in the first degree if he attempts
to kill, knowingly causes or attempts to cause serious physical injury, as defined in section
565.002, to any person sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult as defined in section
[660.250] 192.2100, RSMo.

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2. Elder abuse in the first degree is a class A felony.

565.182. 1. A person commits the crime of elder abuse in the second degree if [he] **such person**:

3 (1) Knowingly causes, attempts to cause physical injury to any person sixty years of age
4 or older or an eligible adult, as defined in section [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo, by means of a
5 deadly weapon or dangerous instrument; or

6 (2) Recklessly [and purposely] causes serious physical injury, as defined in section
7 565.002, to a person sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult as defined in section
8 [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo.

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2. Elder abuse in the second degree is a class B felony.

565.184. 1. A person commits the crime of elder abuse in the third degree if [he] such person:

3 (1) Knowingly causes or attempts to cause physical contact with any person sixty years
4 of age or older or an eligible adult as defined in section [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo, knowing
5 the other person will regard the contact as harmful or provocative; or

6 (2) Purposely engages in conduct involving more than one incident that causes grave 7 emotional distress to a person sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult, as defined in section 8 [660.250] **192.2100**, RSMo. The course of conduct shall be such as would cause a reasonable 9 person age sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult, as defined in section [660.250] 10 **192.2100**, RSMo, to suffer substantial emotional distress; or

(3) Purposely or knowingly places a person sixty years of age or older or an eligible
adult, as defined in section [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo, in apprehension of immediate physical
injury; or

(4) Intentionally fails to provide care, goods or services to a person sixty years of age or
 older or an eligible adult, as defined in section [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo. The result of the

16 conduct shall be such as would cause a reasonable person age sixty or older or an eligible adult,

17 as defined in section [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo, to suffer physical or emotional distress; or

(5) Knowingly acts or knowingly fails to act in a manner which results in a grave risk
to the life, body or health of a person sixty years of age or older or an eligible adult, as defined
in section [660.250] 192.2100, RSMo.

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2. Elder abuse in the third degree is a class A misdemeanor.

565.188. 1. When any adult day care worker; chiropractor; Christian Science 2 practitioner; coroner; dentist; embalmer; employee of the departments of social services, mental health, or health and senior services; employee of a local area agency on aging or an organized 3 4 area agency on aging program; funeral director; home health agency or home health agency employee; hospital and clinic personnel engaged in examination, care, or treatment of persons; 5 in-home services owner, provider, operator, or employee; law enforcement officer; long-term 6 care facility administrator or employee; medical examiner; medical resident or intern; mental 7 health professional; minister; nurse; nurse practitioner; optometrist; other health practitioner; 8 9 peace officer; pharmacist; physical therapist; physician; physician's assistant; podiatrist; 10 probation or parole officer; psychologist; social worker; personal care attendant as defined in 11 section 208.900, RSMo; owner, operator, or employee of a vendor as defined in section 12 208.900, RSMo; or other person with responsibility for the care of a person sixty years of age 13 or older, or an eligible adult, as defined in section 192.2100, RSMo, has reasonable cause to suspect that such a person has been subjected to abuse or neglect, or financial exploitation by 14 15 any person, firm, or corporation as defined in section 570.145, RSMo, or observes such a person being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse 16 or neglect or financial exploitation by any person, firm, or corporation as defined in section 17 570.145, RSMo, he or she shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to the 18 19 department in accordance with the provisions of sections [660.250 to 660.295] **192.2100 to** 20 **192.2130**, RSMo. Any other person who becomes aware of circumstances which may 21 reasonably be expected to be the result of or result in abuse or neglect, or financial exploitation 22 by any person, firm, or corporation as defined in section 570.145, RSMo, may report to the 23 department. 24 2. Any person who knowingly fails to make a report as required in subsection 1 of this

25 section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

3. Any person who purposely files a false report of elder abuse or neglect, or financial
exploitation by any person, firm, or corporation as defined in section 570.145, RSMo, is
guilty of a class [A misdemeanor] D felony.

4. Every person who has been previously convicted of or pled guilty to making a false
report to the department and who is subsequently convicted of making a false report under
subsection 3 of this section is guilty of a class [D] C felony.

5. Evidence of prior convictions of false reporting shall be heard by the court, out of the hearing of the jury, prior to the submission of the case to the jury, and the court shall determine the existence of the prior convictions.

565.200. 1. Any owner or employee of a skilled nursing facility, as defined in section
198.006, RSMo, or an Alzheimer's special unit or program, as defined in section 198.505,
RSMo, who:

4 (1) Has sexual contact, as defined in section 566.010, RSMo, with a resident is guilty 5 of a class [B] A misdemeanor. Any person who commits a second or subsequent violation of 6 this subdivision is guilty of a class [A misdemeanor] **D felony**; or

7 (2) Has sexual intercourse or deviate sexual intercourse, as defined in section 566.010,
8 RSMo, with a resident is guilty of a class [A misdemeanor] C felony. Any person who commits
9 a second or subsequent violation of this subdivision is guilty of a class [D] B felony.

- 10 2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to an owner or employee of a skilled
- 11 nursing facility or Alzheimer's special unit or program who engages in sexual conduct, as defined

12 in section 566.010, RSMo, with a resident to whom the owner or employee is married.

13 3. Consent of the victim is not a defense to a prosecution pursuant to this section.

570.233. 1. A person commits the crime of identity theft if he or she knowingly and with the intent to deceive or defraud obtains, possesses, transfers, uses, or attempts to obtain, transfer or use, one or more means of identification not lawfully issued for his or her use.

4 2. The term "means of identification" as used in this section includes, but is not limited 5 to, the following:

- 6 (1) Social Security numbers;
- 7 (2) Drivers license numbers;
- 8 (3) Checking account numbers;
- 9 (4) Savings account numbers;
- 10 (5) Credit card numbers;
- 11 (6) Debit card numbers;
- 12 (7) Personal identification (PIN) code;
- 13 (8) Electronic identification numbers;
- 14 (9) Digital signatures;
- (10) Any other numbers or information that can be used to access a person's financialresources;
- 17 (11) Biometric data;

- 18 (12) Fingerprints;
- 19 (13) Passwords;
- 20 (14) Parent's legal surname prior to marriage;
- 21 (15) Passports; or
- 22 (16) Birth certificates.
- 23 3. A person found guilty of identity theft shall be punished as follows:
- (1) Identity theft or attempted identity theft which does not result in the theft orappropriation of credit, money, goods, services, or other property is a class B misdemeanor;
- 26 (2) Identity theft which results in the theft or appropriation of credit, money, goods,
 27 services, or other property not exceeding five hundred dollars in value is a class A misdemeanor;
- (3) Identity theft which results in the theft or appropriation of credit, money, goods,
 services, or other property exceeding five hundred dollars and not exceeding five thousand
 dollars in value is a class C felony;
- 31 (4) Identity theft which results in the theft or appropriation of credit, money, goods,
 32 services, or other property exceeding five thousand dollars and not exceeding fifty thousand
 33 dollars in value is a class B felony;
- 34 (5) Identity theft which results in the theft or appropriation of credit, money, goods,
 35 services, or other property exceeding fifty thousand dollars in value is a class A felony;
- (6) Any person who commits the offense of identity theft against an individual who
 is an elderly or disabled person as defined in section 570.145 at the time of the offense may
 be punished by a fine of up to one and one-half times the maximum fine otherwise
 authorized for the offense and may be imprisoned for a term of up to one and one-half
 times the maximum term of imprisonment otherwise authorized for the offense, or both.
- 4. In addition to the provisions of subsection 3 of this section, the court may order that
 the defendant make restitution to any victim of the offense. Restitution may include payment
 for any costs, including attorney fees, incurred by the victim:
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(1) In clearing the credit history or credit rating of the victim; and

45 (2) In connection with any civil or administrative proceeding to satisfy any debt, lien,46 or other obligation of the victim arising from the actions of the defendant.

5. In addition to the criminal penalties in subsections 3 and 4 of this section, any person who commits an act made unlawful by subsection 1 of this section shall be liable to the person to whom the identifying information belonged for civil damages of up to five thousand dollars for each incident, or three times the amount of actual damages, whichever amount is greater. A person damaged as set forth in subsection 1 of this section may also institute a civil action to enjoin and restrain future acts that would constitute a violation of subsection 1 of this section.

The court, in an action brought under this subsection, may award reasonable attorneys' fees to the plaintiff.

6. If the identifying information of a deceased person is used in a manner made unlawful
by subsection 1 of this section, the deceased person's estate shall have the right to recover
damages pursuant to subsection 5 of this section.

58 7. Civil actions under this section must be brought within five years from the date on 59 which the identity of the wrongdoer was discovered or reasonably should have been discovered.

8. Civil action pursuant to this section does not depend on whether a criminal
prosecution has been or will be instituted for the acts that are the subject of the civil action. The
rights and remedies provided by this section are in addition to any other rights and remedies
provided by law.

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9. This section and section 570.224 shall not apply to the following activities:

65 (1) A person obtains the identity of another person to misrepresent his or her age for the 66 sole purpose of obtaining alcoholic beverages, tobacco, going to a gaming establishment, or 67 another privilege denied to minors. Nothing in this subdivision shall affect the provisions of 68 subsection 10 of this section;

69 (2) A person obtains means of identification or information in the course of a bona fide70 consumer or commercial transaction;

(3) A person exercises, in good faith, a security interest or right of offset by a creditoror financial institution;

(4) A person complies, in good faith, with any warrant, court order, levy, garnishment,
attachment, or other judicial or administrative order, decree, or directive, when any party is
required to do so;

(5) A person is otherwise authorized by law to engage in the conduct that is the subjectof the prosecution.

10. Any person who obtains, transfers, or uses any means of identification for the purpose of manufacturing and providing or selling a false identification card to a person under the age of twenty-one for the purpose of purchasing or obtaining alcohol shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

11. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection 3 of this section, every person who has previously pled guilty to or been found guilty of identity theft or attempted identity theft, and who subsequently pleads guilty to or is found guilty of identity theft or attempted identity theft of credit, money, goods, services, or other property not exceeding five hundred dollars in value is guilty of a class D felony and shall be punished accordingly.

12. The value of property or services is its highest value by any reasonable standard at
the time the identity theft is committed. Any reasonable standard includes, but is not limited to,
market value within the community, actual value, or replacement value.

90 13. If credit, property, or services are obtained by two or more acts from the same person 91 or location, or from different persons by two or more acts which occur in approximately the same 92 location or time period so that the identity thefts are attributable to a single scheme, plan, or 93 conspiracy, the acts may be considered as a single identity theft and the value may be the total 94 value of all credit, property, and services involved.

660.010. 1. There is hereby created a "Department of Social Services" in charge of a 2 director appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate. All the powers, duties and functions of the director of the department of public health and welfare, 3 4 chapters 191 and 192, RSMo and others, not previously reassigned by executive reorganization 5 plan number 2 of 1973 as submitted by the governor under chapter 26, RSMo, except those 6 assigned to the department of mental health, are transferred by type I transfer to the director of the department of social services and the office of the director, department of public health and 7 8 welfare is abolished. The department of public health and welfare is abolished. All employees 9 of the department of social services shall be covered by the provisions of chapter 36, RSMo, except the director of the department and his secretary, all division directors and their secretaries, 10 11 and no more than three additional positions in each division which may be designated by the 12 division director.

13 2. It is the intent of the general assembly in establishing the department of social 14 services, as provided herein, to authorize the director of the department to coordinate the state's programs devoted to those unable to provide for themselves and for the rehabilitation of victims 15 16 of social disadvantage. The director shall use the resources provided to the department to 17 provide comprehensive programs and leadership striking at the roots of dependency, disability 18 and abuse of society's rules with the purpose of improving service and economical operations. 19 The department is directed to take all steps possible to consolidate and coordinate the field 20 operations of the department to maximize service to the citizens of the state.

3. All the powers, duties and functions of the division of welfare, chapters 205, 207, 208, 209, and 210, RSMo, and others, are transferred by type I transfer to the "Division of Family 23 Services" which is hereby created in the department of social services. The director of the 24 division shall be appointed by the director of the department. All references to the division of 25 welfare shall hereafter be construed to mean the division of family services of the department 26 of social services.

4. [All the powers, duties and functions of the board of nursing home administrators,
chapter 344, RSMo, are transferred by type I transfer to the department of social services. The
public members of the board shall be appointed by the director of the department.

5.] The state's responsibility under public law 452 of the eighty-eighth Congress and
others, pertaining to the Office of Economic Opportunity, is transferred by type I transfer to the
department of social services.

[6. The state's responsibility under public law 73, Older Americans Act of 1965, of the
 eighty-ninth Congress is transferred by type I transfer to the department of social services.

7.] 5. All the powers, duties and functions vested by law in the curators of the University
of Missouri relating to crippled children's services, chapter 201, RSMo, are transferred by type
I transfer to the department of social services.

38 [8.] 6. All the powers, duties and functions vested in the state board of training schools, 39 chapter 219, RSMo, and others, are transferred by type I transfer to the "Division of Youth Services" hereby authorized in the department of social services headed by a director appointed 40 41 by the director of the department. The state board of training schools shall be reconstituted as an advisory board on youth services, appointed by the director of the department. The advisory 42 43 board shall visit each facility of the division as often as possible, shall file a written report with 44 the director of the department and the governor on conditions they observed relating to the care 45 and rehabilitative efforts in behalf of children assigned to the facility, the security of the facility and any other matters pertinent in their judgment. Copies of these reports shall be filed with the 46 47 legislative library. Members of the advisory board shall receive reimbursement for their 48 expenses and twenty-five dollars a day for each day they engage in official business relating to 49 their duties. The members of the board shall be provided with identification means by the 50 director of the division permitting immediate access to all facilities enabling them to make 51 unannounced entrance to facilities they wish to inspect.

[197.500. 1. The department shall maintain an employee disqualification 2 list and place on the employee disqualification list the names of any persons who 3 are or who have been employed by any entity licensed pursuant to this chapter 4 and who have been finally determined by the department pursuant to section 5 660.315, RSMo, to have knowingly or recklessly abused or neglected a patient. For the purpose of this section, "abuse" and "neglect" shall have the same 6 7 meanings as such terms are defined in section 198.006, RSMo. For purposes of 8 this section only, "knowingly" and "recklessly" shall have the meanings that are 9 ascribed to them in this section. A person acts "knowingly" with respect to the person's conduct when a reasonable person should be aware of the result caused 10 by his or her conduct. A person acts "recklessly" when the person consciously 11 12 disregards a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the person's conduct will result

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in serious physical injury and such disregard constitutes a gross deviation from
 the standard of care that a reasonable person would exercise in the situation.

15 2. The department shall compile and maintain an employee
disqualification list in the same manner as the employee disqualification list
compiled and maintained by the department pursuant to section 660.315, RSMo.]

[208.912. 1. When any adult day care worker; chiropractor, Christian 2 Science practitioner, coroner, dentist, embalmer, employee of the departments of 3 social services, mental health, or health and senior services; employee of a local 4 area agency on aging or an organized area agency on aging program; funeral 5 director; home health agency or home health agency employee; hospital and clinic personnel engaged in examination, care, or treatment of persons; in-home 6 7 services owner, provider, operator, or employee; law enforcement officer; 8 long-term care facility administrator or employee; medical examiner; medical 9 resident or intern; mental health professional; minister; nurse; nurse practitioner; optometrist; other health practitioner; peace officer; pharmacist; physical 10 therapist; physician; physician's assistant; podiatrist; probation or parole officer; 11 psychologist; vendor as defined in section 208.900; personal care attendant; or 12 13 social worker has reasonable cause to believe that a consumer has been abused or neglected as defined in section 660.250, RSMo, as a result of the delivery of 14 15 or failure to deliver personal care assistance services, he or she shall immediately 16 report or cause a report to be made to the department. If the report is made by a 17 physician of the consumer, the department shall maintain contact with the 18 physician regarding the progress of the investigation.

When a report of deteriorating physical condition resulting in possible
 abuse or neglect of a consumer is received by the department, the department's
 case manager and the department nurse shall be notified. The case manager shall
 investigate and immediately report the results of the investigation to the
 department nurse.

3. If requested, local area agencies on aging shall provide volunteer
training to those persons listed in subsection 1 of this section regarding the
detection and reporting of abuse and neglect under this section.

4. Any person required in subsection 1 of this section to report or cause
a report to be made to the department who fails to do so within a reasonable time
after the act of abuse or neglect is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
5. The report shall contain the names and addresses of the vendor, the

5. The report shall contain the names and addresses of the vendor, the personal care attendant, and the consumer, and information regarding the nature of the abuse or neglect, the name of the complainant, and any other information which might be helpful in an investigation.

6. In addition to those persons required to report under subsection 1 of
this section, any other person having reasonable cause to believe that a consumer
has been abused or neglected by a personal care attendant may report such
information to the department.

38 7. If the investigation indicates possible abuse or neglect of a consumer, 39 the investigator shall refer the complaint together with his or her report to the 40 department director or his or her designee for appropriate action. If, during the 41 investigation or at its completion, the department has reasonable cause to believe 42 that immediate action is necessary to protect the consumer from abuse or neglect, 43 the department or the local prosecuting attorney may, or the attorney general 44 upon request of the department shall, file a petition for temporary care and 45 protection of the consumer in a circuit court of competent jurisdiction. The circuit court in which the petition is filed shall have equitable jurisdiction to issue 46 47 an ex parte order granting the department authority for the temporary care and 48 protection of consumer, for a period not to exceed thirty days.

49 8. Reports shall be confidential, as provided under section 660.320,
50 RSMo.

9. Anyone, except any person who has abused or neglected a consumer,
who makes a report pursuant to this section or who testifies in any administrative
or judicial proceeding arising from the report shall be immune from any civil or
criminal liability for making such a report or for testifying, except for liability for
perjury, unless such person acted negligently, recklessly, in bad faith, or with
malicious purpose.

57 10. Within five working days after a report required to be made under 58 this section is received, the person making the report shall be notified of its 59 receipt and of the initiation of the investigation.

11. No person who directs or exercises any authority as a vendor, and no
personal care attendant, shall harass, dismiss or retaliate against a consumer
because he or she or any member of his or her family has made a report of any
violation or suspected violation of laws, standards or regulations applying to the
vendor or personal care attendant which he or she has reasonable cause to believe
has been committed or has occurred.

12. The department shall place on the employee disqualification list
established in section 660.315, RSMo, the names of any persons who have been
finally determined by the department to have recklessly, knowingly or purposely
abused or neglected a consumer while employed by a vendor, or employed by a
consumer as a personal care attendant.

71 13. The department shall provide the list maintained pursuant to section
72 660.315, RSMo, to vendors as defined in section 208.900.

14. Any person, corporation or association who received the employee
disqualification list under subsection 13 of this section, or any person responsible
for providing health care service, who declines to employ or terminates a person
whose name is listed in this section shall be immune from suit by that person or
anyone else acting for or in behalf of that person for the failure to employ or for
the termination of the person whose name is listed on the employee
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[208.915. 1. Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a misappropriation of a consumer's property or funds, or the falsification of any documents verifying personal care assistance services delivery to the consumer, has occurred may report such information to the department.

2. For each report the department shall attempt to obtain the name and address of the vendor, the personal care attendant, the personal care assistance services consumer, information regarding the nature of the misappropriation or falsification, the name of the complainant, and any other information which might be helpful in an investigation.

3. Any personal care assistance services vendor, or personal care
attendant who puts to his or her own use or the use of the personal care assistance
services vendor or otherwise diverts from the personal care assistance services
consumer's use any personal property or funds of the consumer, or falsifies any
documents for service delivery, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

4. Upon receipt of a report, the department shall immediately initiate an
investigation and report information gained from such investigation to
appropriate law enforcement authorities.

5. If the investigation indicates probable misappropriation of property or
funds, or falsification of any documents for service delivery of a personal care
assistance services consumer, the investigator shall refer the complaint together
with the investigator's report to the department director or the director's designee
for appropriate action.

23 6. Reports shall be confidential, as provided under section 660.320,
24 RSMo.

7. Anyone, except any person participating in or benefitting from the
misappropriation of funds, who makes a report under this section or who testifies
in any administrative or judicial proceeding arising from the report shall be
immune from any civil or criminal liability for making such a report or for
testifying except for liability for perjury, unless such person acted negligently,
recklessly, in bad faith, or with malicious purpose.

8. Within five working days after a report required to be made under this
section is received, the person making the report shall be notified in writing of
its receipt and of the initiation of the investigation.

9. No person who directs or exercises any authority in a personal care
assistance services vendor agency shall harass, dismiss or retaliate against a
personal care assistance services consumer or a personal care attendant because
he or she or any member of his or her family has made a report of any violation
or suspected violation of laws, ordinances or regulations applying to the personal
care assistance services vendor or any personal care attendant which he or she has
reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has occurred.

41 10. The department shall maintain the employee disqualification list and
42 place on the employee disqualification list the names of any personal care
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44 consumer, and the names of any persons who are or have been employed by a
45 vendor as defined in subdivision (10) of section 208.900, and who have been
46 finally determined by the department under section 660.315, RSMo, to have
47 misappropriated any property or funds, or falsified any documents for service
48 delivery to a personal care assistance services consumer and who came to be
49 known to the consumer, directly or indirectly by virtue of the consumer's
50 participation in the personal care assistance services program.]

[210.933. For any elder-care worker listed in the registry or who has submitted the registration form as required by sections 210.900 to 210.936, an elder-care provider may access the registry in lieu of the requirements established pursuant to section 660.315, RSMo, or to subsections 3, 4 and 5 of section 660.317, RSMo.]

[660.305. 1. Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a misappropriation of an in-home services client's property or funds, or the falsification of any documents verifying service delivery to the in-home services client has occurred, may report such information to the department.

5 2. For each report the department shall attempt to obtain the names and 6 addresses of the in-home services provider agency, the in-home services 7 employee, the in-home services client, information regarding the nature of the 8 misappropriation or falsification, the name of the complainant, and any other 9 information which might be helpful in an investigation.

3. Any in-home services provider agency or in-home services employee
who puts to his or her own use or the use of the in-home services provider agency
or otherwise diverts from the in-home services client's use any personal property
or funds of the in-home services client, or falsifies any documents for service
delivery, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

4. Upon receipt of a report, the department shall immediately initiate an
investigation and report information gained from such investigation to
appropriate law enforcement authorities.

5. If the investigation indicates probable misappropriation of property or
funds, or falsification of any documents for service delivery of an in-home
services client, the investigator shall refer the complaint together with the
investigator's report to the department director or the director's designee for
appropriate action.

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6. Reports shall be confidential, as provided under section 660.320.

Anyone, except any person participating in or benefiting from the
misappropriation of funds, who makes a report pursuant to this section or who
testifies in any administrative or judicial proceeding arising from the report shall
be immune from any civil or criminal liability for making such a report or for
testifying except for liability for perjury, unless such person acted negligently,
recklessly, in bad faith, or with malicious purpose.

8. Within five working days after a report required to be made under this
section is received, the person making the report shall be notified in writing of
its receipt and of the initiation of the investigation.

9. No person who directs or exercises any authority in an in-home services provider agency shall harass, dismiss or retaliate against an in-home services client or employee because he or she or any member of his or her family has made a report of any violation or suspected violation of laws, ordinances or regulations applying to the in-home services provider agency or any in-home services employee which he or she has reasonable cause to believe has been committed or has occurred.

4010. The department shall maintain the employee disqualification list and41place on the employee disqualification list the names of any persons who are or42have been employed by an in-home service provider agency and who have been43finally determined by the department to, pursuant to section 660.315, have44misappropriated any property or funds, or falsified any documents for service45delivery of an in-home services client and who came to be known to the person,46directly, or indirectly while employed by an in-home services provider agency.]47

[660.320. 1. Reports confidential under section 198.070, RSMo, and sections 660.300 to 660.315 shall not be deemed a public record and shall not be subject to the provisions of section 109.180, RSMo, or chapter 610, RSMo. The name of the complainant or any person mentioned in the reports shall not be disclosed unless:

- 6 (1) The complainant, resident or the in-home services client mentioned 7 agrees to disclosure of his or her name;
- 8 (2) The department determines that disclosure is necessary in order to 9 prevent further abuse, neglect, misappropriation of property or funds, or 10 falsification of any documents verifying service delivery to an in-home services 11 client;
- 12 (3) Release of a name is required for conformance with a lawful 13 subpoena;
- (4) Release of a name is required in connection with a review by the
 administrative hearing commission in accordance with section 198.039, RSMo;
 (5) The department determines that release of a name is appropriate when
 - (5) The department determines that release of a name is appropriate when forwarding a report of findings of an investigation to a licensing authority; or
- (6) Release of a name is requested by the division of family services for
 the purpose of licensure under chapter 210, RSMo.
- 20 2. The department shall, upon request, provide to the division of 21 employment security within the department of labor and industrial relations 22 copies of the investigative reports that led to an employee being placed on the 23 disqualification list.]
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[660.512. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of chapter 210, RSMo, shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of section 536.024, RSMo.]