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HOUSE BILL NO. 2432

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE RIDDLE.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 190.325, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to central dispatching service for emergency services.

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

Section A. Section 190.325, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 190.325, to read as follows:

190.325. 1. In any county of the first classification [without a charter form of government with a population of at least one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants but less than two hundred thousand inhabitants], the county commission may use all or a part of the moneys derived from the emergency telephone tax authorized pursuant to section 190.305 for central dispatching of fire protection, emergency ambulance service or any other emergency services, which may include the purchase and maintenance of communications and emergency equipment. In the event such commission chooses to use the tax provided in that section for such services, the provisions of sections 190.300 to 190.320 shall apply except as provided in this section.

2. The tax shall not exceed a percentage of the base tariff rate and such percentage shall not exceed an amount equal to a maximum rate of one dollar thirty cents per line per month, the provisions of section 190.305 to the contrary notwithstanding. The tax imposed by this section and the amounts required to be collected are due monthly. The amount of tax collected in one calendar month by the service supplier shall be remitted to the governing body no later than one month after the close of a calendar month. On or before the last day of each calendar month, a return for the preceding month shall be filed with the governing body in such form as the governing body and service supplier shall agree. The service supplier shall include the list of any service user refusing to pay the tax imposed by this section with each return filing. The service

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.

18 supplier required to file the return shall deliver the return, together with a remittance of the
19 amount of the tax collected. The records shall be maintained for a period of one year from the
20 time the tax is collected. From every remittance to the governing body made on or before the
21 date when the same becomes due, the service supplier required to remit the same shall be entitled
22 to deduct and retain, as a collection fee, an amount equal to two percent thereof.

23 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any municipality or other political
24 subdivision to join the central dispatching system established pursuant to this section. The
25 governing body of any municipality or other political subdivision may contract with the board
26 established pursuant to section 190.327 for such services or portion of such services, or for the
27 purchase and maintenance of communication and emergency equipment.

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