## SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1764**

## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BERNSKOETTER.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 217, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to service salary increases for corrections officers.

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

Section A. Chapter 217, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 217.037, to read as follows:

217.037. The director of the department of corrections is authorized and empowered to prescribe policies providing for increases in the salaries of corrections 2 officers. Each year, prior to January first, the director shall submit a salary schedule report to the governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and the president pro tem 4 of the senate. The salary schedule report prepared by the director shall include, in addition to other matters deemed pertinent to the director, a comparison of the salaries of corrections officers of the following three contiguous states: Iowa, Illinois, and Kentucky. The governor may make additional recommendations to the report and forward them to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tem of the senate. The speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tem of the senate may assign the salary schedule report to the appropriate standing committees to review the salary 11 12 comparisons to ensure that parity in the salary of the corrections officers and corrections 13 officers of the three contiguous states is maintained. The director shall testify before the 14 appropriate committee on the salary schedule report if called upon by such committee. The "service" of a corrections officer, who has served in the armed forces of the United 15 16 States and who has subsequently been reinstated as a corrections officer within ninety days after receiving a discharge other than dishonorable from the armed forces of the United 17

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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States, shall be considered service with the department as a corrections officer rendered since last becoming a corrections officer prior to entrance into the armed forces of the United States; except that, no corrections officer shall be entitled to any credit, privilege, or benefit provided by this chapter if such corrections officer voluntarily extends or participates in an extension of the period of service, whether by reenlistment, waiver of discharge, acceptance of commission, or any other action, with the armed forces beyond the period of service for which such corrections officer was originally commissioned, enlisted, inducted, or called.

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