# FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE BILL NO. 428

### 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To repeal section 443.320, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the publication of electronic notice of the sale of real estate.

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

Section A. Section 443.320, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 443.320, to read as follows:

443.320. **1.** The notice required by section 443.310 shall set forth the date and book and 2 page of the record of such mortgages or deeds of trust, the grantors, the time, terms and place of 3 sale, and a description of the property to be sold, and shall be given by advertisement[ $_{1}$ ].

4 2. The notice made under subsection 1 of this section shall be made through one of
5 the following two methods, at the discretion of the trustee:

6 (1) An electronic notice posted for a minimum of twenty-one consecutive days on 7 an internet website hosted by an entity that maintains such website for the purpose of providing web-based notice of foreclosure sales. The last day of posting shall occur on the 8 9 scheduled foreclosure date as set forth in the posted notice. The provisions of chapter 493 shall not apply to any web-based notice posted under this section. The entity providing 10 11 such web based notices shall not restrict access to the site by way of a registration or log in requirement. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the giving of any 12 13 shorter notice than that required by the mortgage or deed of trust. Any entity providing notice shall be a Missouri corporation or Missouri limited liability company formed under 14 15 chapters 347 to 356 and in good standing with the Missouri secretary of state. Such entity shall maintain an errors and omissions policy of insurance in an amount not less than one 16 17 million dollars and general liability insurance in an amount not less than one million

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18 dollars. Such entity shall have its principle office located in Missouri. The fee charged for 19 posting such notice shall not exceed the regular local classified advertising rate of 20 newspapers authorized to carry legal publications in that county. The entity providing 21 notice shall maintain a historical record for each posting for a period of five years from the 22 day the notice was posted. The entity posting notices shall list notices grouped by the 23 county in which the property is located. If the property to be sold is located in more than 24 one county, the notice shall be posted under each county in which a part of the property 25 is located. The entity providing notice shall issue an affidavit at the conclusion of posting. 26 The affidavit shall state the dates the notice was posted, that the entity is in compliance 27 with the requirements of this section, and shall have a copy of such notice attached to the

28 affidavit; or

29 (2) A notice inserted for at least twenty times, and continued to the day of the sale, in 30 some daily newspaper, in counties having cities of fifty thousand inhabitants or more, and in all 31 other counties such notice shall be given by advertisement in some weekly newspaper published in such county for four successive issues, the last insertion to be not more than one week prior 32 33 to the day of sale, or in some daily, triweekly or semiweekly paper published in such county at 34 least once a week for four successive weeks. Such notice shall appear on the same day of each 35 week, the last insertion to be not more than one week prior to the day of sale, and if there be no 36 newspaper published in such county or city, such notice shall be published in the nearest newspaper thereto in this state. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the giving 37 38 of any shorter notice than that required by such mortgage or deed of trust. Where the property 39 to be sold lies wholly or in part within the corporate limits of any city having or that may 40 hereafter have a population of fifty thousand inhabitants or more, then the notice provided for 41 in this section shall be published in a daily newspaper in such city and where the property to be sold lies wholly or in part within the corporate limits of a city extending into two or more 42 43 counties, then the notice provided for in this section shall be published in some newspaper published in the county in which the property lies, in the manner provided in this section for 44 45 publication in such county, even though such property may lie in a city having a population of 46 fifty thousand inhabitants or more. Where the property to be sold is located in more than one 47 county, the notices required in this section shall be published in each county in which a part of the property is located. Other provisions of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, in any 48 49 county of the first class not having a charter form of government and containing a portion of a 50 city with a population over three hundred fifty thousand and in any county of the second class 51 containing a portion of a city with a population over three hundred fifty thousand, the notice requirements of section 443.310 and this section may be met by advertisement in some weekly 52 53 newspaper published in such counties for four successive issues, the last insertion to be not more 54 than one week prior to the date of the sale.

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