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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 37, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a social innovation grant program.

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

Section A. Chapter 37, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 37.940, to read as follows:

37.940. 1. There is hereby established within the office of administration the
2 **“Social Innovation Grant Program”. The governor shall designate an individual to serve**
3 **as the executive director of the social innovation grant program, who shall establish and**
4 **oversee the program. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:**

5 **(1) “Critical state concern”, instances or circumstances in which the state of**
6 **Missouri is currently, and will likely be in the future, responsible for the costs associated**
7 **with a particular act of the state through annual appropriations. The programs for which**
8 **the costs are associated may not be optimal for reducing the overall scope of the problem**
9 **to the greatest extent while limiting the exposure of the state budget;**

10 **(2) “Demonstration project”, a project selected by the social innovation grant team**
11 **in response to the grant team’s request for proposals process;**

12 **(3) “Social innovation grant”, a grant awarded to a nonprofit organization with**
13 **experience in the area of critical state concern to design a short-term demonstration project**
14 **based on evidence and best practices that can be replicated to optimize state funding and**
15 **services for populations and programs identified as areas of critical state concern.**

16 **2. Areas of critical state concern include, but are not limited to, the following:**

17 **(1) Families in generational child welfare;**

18 **(2) Recidivism among offenders with drug addictions;**

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.

19 **(3) Opioid-addicted pregnant women; and**

20 **(4) Children in residential treatment with behavioral issues.**

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22 **The office of administration or the general assembly may identify additional critical state**
23 **concerns that could potentially be addressed through the social innovation grant program.**

24 **3. For any critical state concern for which a social innovation grant is being**
25 **utilized, the executive director shall establish a “Social Innovation Grant Team” to be**
26 **comprised of:**

27 **(1) Individuals working in governmental agencies responsible for the oversight of**
28 **programs related to the critical state concern;**

29 **(2) Persons working in the nonprofit sector with practical field experience related**
30 **to the critical state concern; and**

31 **(3) Academic leaders in research and study related to the critical state concern.**

32 **4. The social innovation grant team shall be charged with:**

33 **(1) Formulating a request for proposals for social innovation grants;**

34 **(2) Evaluating responsive proposals and selecting those bids for demonstration**
35 **projects that provide the greatest opportunity for addressing the critical state concern in**
36 **a cost-effective and replicable way; and**

37 **(3) Monitoring demonstration projects and evaluating them based on the objectives**
38 **outlined in the request for proposals; the program’s outline; the project’s impact on the**
39 **critical state concern; and the project’s ability to be replicated on a cost-effective basis.**

40 **5. Demonstration projects shall be operated over a period of time sufficient to**
41 **impact the population served by the project based on the parameters and objectives**
42 **outlined in the request for proposals. Grantees, at a minimum, shall be nonprofit**
43 **organizations with experience working with the population identified as a critical state**
44 **concern.**

45 **6. Upon the conclusion of a demonstration project, the social innovation grant team**
46 **shall compile all relevant data and submit a report to the general assembly:**

47 **(1) Evaluating the project’s effectiveness in impacting the critical state concern;**

48 **(2) Assessing, based on the actual experience of the project, the likely ease of**
49 **statewide deployment in a methodology consistent with the execution of the project and**
50 **identifying possible barriers to deployment;**

51 **(3) Analyzing the likely cost of statewide deployment; and**

52 **(4) Identifying funding strategies for statewide deployment, which may include**
53 **scaling based on savings reinvestment or outside capital investments.**

54 **7. The social innovation grant team shall identify methods to fund the social**
55 **innovation grant program, including state partnerships with nonprofit organizations and**
56 **foundations. The executive director of the social innovation grant program shall identify**
57 **sustainability models for deploying successful demonstration projects.**

58 **8. The office of administration may promulgate rules and regulations to implement**
59 **the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in**
60 **section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become**
61 **effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and,**
62 **if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any**
63 **of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay**
64 **the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held**
65 **unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted**
66 **after August 28, 2017, shall be invalid and void.**

67 **9. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:**

68 **(1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall**
69 **automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by**
70 **an act of the general assembly;**

71 **(2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section**
72 **shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this**
73 **section; and**

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

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