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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 168, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to school librarians.

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

Section A. Chapter 168, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 168.770, to read as follows:

168.770. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "School librarian", a teacher who holds a certificate of license to teach under section 168.021 and is certified as a library media specialist by the department of elementary and secondary education;
- (2) "School library information and technology program", a school-based program that is staffed by a school librarian and that provides a broad, flexible array of services, resources, and instruction that support student mastery of the essential academic learning requirements and state standards in all subject areas and the implementation of any school improvement plan of the district.
- 2. Before July 1, 2019, the department of elementary and secondary education shall develop a process for recognition of a district's school library information and technology program.
- 3. The department of elementary and secondary education may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held

- 20 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted
- 21 after August 28, 2018, shall be invalid and void.

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