FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1064

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE REHDER.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 42, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to veterans.

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

Section A. Chapter 42, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 42.145, to read as follows:

42.145. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Eligible veteran", any veteran who qualifies for admission into a Missouri 3 veterans' home under section 42.105;

4 (2) "Residential care facility", the same meaning as that term is defined under 5 section 198.006;

6 (3) "Veteran housing cost", the average cost to house one veteran in a Missouri 7 veterans' home for one month, as determined by the commission.

8 2. An eligible veteran may elect to receive, and the commission shall issue, a 9 monthly voucher to be used to pay for room and board costs of any residential care facility 10 licensed under sections 198.003 to 198.189. The amount of the voucher shall be equal to 11 the veteran housing cost. Vouchers shall be issued monthly or at a longer interval chosen 12 by the commission so long as veterans residing at a residential care facility can pay room 13 and board costs in a timely manner.

3. The commission shall inform veterans who are eligible for housing under section
42.105 that they are also eligible to receive a voucher for a residential care facility of their
choosing under this section.

4. The commission shall 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

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19 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it

20 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable,

21 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 unconstitutional, then the

24 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2019,

25 shall be invalid and void.

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