House _____ Amendment NO.____

AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for
Senate Bill No. 594, Page 89, Section 17, Line 41, by inserting after said section and line the
following:
"Section 18. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
(1) "Benefit", any entitlement to services or monetary compensation. The term
"benefit" includes, but is not limited to, child care services, workers' compensation, and any
entitlement to a legal presumption or tool that increases access to the services or monetary
compensation;
(2) "Essential worker", a worker deemed essential during a state of emergency
declared under chapter 44 including, but not limited to, a grocery store employee who must
work while state or local government officials are encouraging or ordering residents of
Missouri to avoid congregating in groups or large crowds;
(3) "First responder", a law enforcement officer, firefighter, or emergency medical
technician (EMT), as such occupations are defined in section 287.243.
2. For the duration of a state of emergency declared under chapter 44, essential
workers shall receive all benefits to which first responders are entitled under state law
including, but not limited to, any waivers of state laws or regulations made as a result of the
emergency."; and
Further amend said bill, Page 93, Section E, Line 6, by inserting after all of said section and line the
following:
"Section F. Because immediate action is necessary to ensure that all essential workers
receive the same benefits of first responders during a declared emergency under chapter 44, the
enactment of section 18 of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
health, welfare, peace, and safety, and the enactment of section 18 of this act is hereby declared to
be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and the enactment of section 18 of this
act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval."; and
Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

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