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AN ACT

To repeal sections 213.010 and 213.055, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to employment discrimination.

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

Section A. Sections 213.010 and 213.055, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 213.010 and 213.055, to read as follows:

213.010. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall mean:

- (1) "Address status", the status of having or not having a physical home address and a person's ability or willingness to disclose information relating to whether he or she has or does not have a physical home address;
- (2) "Age", an age of forty or more years but less than seventy years, except that it shall not be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to require the compulsory retirement of any person who has attained the age of sixty-five and who, for the two-year period immediately before retirement, is employed in a bona fide executive or high policy-making position, if such person is entitled to an immediate nonforfeitable annual retirement benefit from a pension, profit sharing, savings or deferred compensation plan, or any combination of such plans, of the employer, which equals, in the aggregate, at least forty-four thousand dollars;
- 12 [(2)] (3) "Because" or "because of", as it relates to the adverse decision or action, the protected criterion was the motivating factor;
 - [(3)] (4) "Commission", the Missouri commission on human rights;
- 15 [(4)] (5) "Complainant", a person who has filed a complaint with the commission alleging that another person has engaged in a prohibited discriminatory practice;

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.

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17 [(5)] (6) "Disability", a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of a person's major life activities, being regarded as having such an impairment, or a record 18 19 of having such an impairment, which with or without reasonable accommodation does not 20 interfere with performing the job, utilizing the place of public accommodation, or occupying the 21 dwelling in question. For purposes of this chapter, the term "disability" does not include current, 22 illegal use of or addiction to a controlled substance as such term is defined by section 195.010; 23 however, a person may be considered to have a disability if that person:

- (a) Has successfully completed a supervised drug rehabilitation program and is no longer engaging in the illegal use of, and is not currently addicted to, a controlled substance or has otherwise been rehabilitated successfully and is no longer engaging in such use and is not currently addicted;
- 28 (b) Is participating in a supervised rehabilitation program and is no longer engaging in 29 illegal use of controlled substances; or
 - (c) Is erroneously regarded as currently illegally using, or being addicted to, a controlled substance:
 - "Discrimination", conduct proscribed herein, taken because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, [or] age or address status as [it relates] they relate to employment, disability, or familial status as it relates to housing;
 - [(7)] (8) "Dwelling", any building, structure, or portion thereof which is occupied as, or designed or intended for occupancy as, a residence by one or more families, and any vacant land which is offered for sale or lease for the construction or location thereon of any such building, structure, or portion thereof;
 - [(8)] (9) "Employer", a person engaged in an industry affecting commerce who has six or more employees for each working day in each of twenty or more calendar weeks in the current or preceding calendar year, and shall include the state, or any political or civil subdivision thereof, or any person employing six or more persons within the state but does not include corporations and associations owned or operated by religious or sectarian organizations.
- 44 "Employer" shall not include:

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- (a) The United States;
- 46 (b) A corporation wholly owned by the government of the United States;
 - (c) An individual employed by an employer;
 - (d) An Indian tribe;
- 49 (e) Any department or agency of the District of Columbia subject by statute to 50 procedures of the competitive service, as defined in 5 U.S.C. Section 2101; or
- 51 (f) A bona fide private membership club, other than a labor organization, that is exempt 52 from taxation under 26 U.S.C. Section 501(c);

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[(9)] (10) "Employment agency" includes any person or agency, public or private, regularly undertaking with or without compensation to procure employees for an employer or to procure for employees opportunities to work for an employer;

- [(10)] (11) "Executive director", the executive director of the Missouri commission on human rights;
- 58 [(11)] (12) "Familial status", one or more individuals who have not attained the age of eighteen years being domiciled with:
 - (a) A parent or another person having legal custody of such individual; or
 - (b) The designee of such parent or other person having such custody, with the written permission of such parent or other person. The protections afforded against discrimination because of familial status shall apply to any person who is pregnant or is in the process of securing legal custody of any individual who has not attained the age of eighteen years;
 - [(12)] (13) "Human rights fund", a fund established to receive civil penalties as required by federal regulations and as set forth by subdivision (2) of subsection 11 of section 213.075, and which will be disbursed to offset additional expenses related to compliance with the Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations;
 - [(13)] (14) "Labor organization" includes any organization which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of collective bargaining or of dealing with employers concerning grievances, terms or conditions of employment, or for other mutual aid or protection in relation to employment;
 - [(14)] (15) "Local commissions", any commission or agency established prior to August 13, 1986, by an ordinance or order adopted by the governing body of any city, constitutional charter city, town, village, or county;
 - [(15)] (16) "Person" includes one or more individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, organizations, labor organizations, legal representatives, mutual companies, joint stock companies, trustes, trustees in bankruptcy, receivers, fiduciaries, or other organized groups of persons;
 - [(16)] (17) "Places of public accommodation", all places or businesses offering or holding out to the general public, goods, services, privileges, facilities, advantages, or accommodations for the peace, comfort, health, welfare, and safety of the general public or such public places providing food, shelter, recreation, and amusement, including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Any inn, hotel, motel, or other establishment which provides lodging to transient guests, other than an establishment located within a building which contains not more than five rooms for rent or hire and which is actually occupied by the proprietor of such establishment as his **or her** residence;

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88 (b) Any restaurant, cafeteria, lunchroom, lunch counter, soda fountain, or other facility 89 principally engaged in selling food for consumption on the premises, including, but not limited 90 to, any such facility located on the premises of any retail establishment;

- (c) Any gasoline station, including all facilities located on the premises of such gasoline station and made available to the patrons thereof,
- 93 (d) Any motion picture house, theater, concert hall, sports arena, stadium, or other place 94 of exhibition or entertainment;
 - (e) Any public facility owned, operated, or managed by or on behalf of this state or any agency or subdivision thereof, or any public corporation; and any such facility supported in whole or in part by public funds;
 - Any establishment which is physically located within the premises of any (f) establishment otherwise covered by this section or within the premises of which is physically located any such covered establishment, and which holds itself out as serving patrons of such covered establishment;
 - "Rent" includes to lease, to sublease, to let, and otherwise to grant for $[\frac{(17)}{(18)}]$ consideration the right to occupy premises not owned by the occupant;
- 104 [(18)] (19) "Respondent", a person who is alleged to have engaged in a prohibited 105 discriminatory practice in a complaint filed with the commission;
- 106 [(19)] (20) "The motivating factor", the employee's protected classification actually 107 played a role in the adverse action or decision and had a determinative influence on the adverse 108 decision or action;
- 109 "Unlawful discriminatory practice", any act that is unlawful under this [(20)] (21) 110 chapter.

213.055. 1. It shall be an unlawful employment practice:

- 2 (1) For an employer, because of the race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [or] disability, or address status of any individual:
 - (a) To fail or refuse to hire or to discharge any individual, or otherwise to discriminate against any individual with respect to his or her compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of such individual's race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [or] disability, or address status;
- (b) To limit, segregate, or classify his **or her** employees or his **or her** employment applicants in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect his or her status as an employee, because of such individual's race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [or] disability, or address 12 status;

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(2) For a labor organization to exclude or to expel from its membership any individual or to discriminate in any way against any of its members or against any employer or any individual employed by an employer because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [ef] disability, or address status of any individual; or to limit, segregate, or classify its membership, or to classify or fail or refuse to refer for employment any individual, in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities, or would limit such employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect his or her status as an employee or as an applicant for employment, because of such individual's race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [ef] disability, or address status; or for any employer, labor organization, or joint labor-management committee controlling apprenticeship or other training or retraining, including on-the-job training programs to discriminate against any individual because of his or her race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [ef] disability, or address status in admission to, or employment in, any program established to provide apprenticeship or other training;

- (3) For any employer or employment agency to print or circulate or cause to be printed or circulated any statement, advertisement, or publication, or to use any form of application for employment or to make any inquiry in connection with prospective employment, which expresses, directly or indirectly, any limitation, specification, or discrimination, because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [ex] disability, or address status unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification or for an employment agency to fail or refuse to refer for employment, or otherwise to discriminate against, any individual because of his or her race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age as it relates to employment, [ex] disability, or address status, or to classify or refer for employment any individual because of his or her race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [ex] disability, or address status.
- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it shall not be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to apply different standards of compensation, or different terms, conditions, or privileges of employment pursuant to a bona fide seniority or merit system, or a system which measures earnings by quantity or quality of production or to employees who work in different locations, provided that such differences or such systems are not the result of an intention or a design to discriminate, and are not used to discriminate, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, [ex] disability, or address status, nor shall it be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to give and to act upon the results of any professionally developed ability test, provided that such test, its administration, or action upon the results thereof, is not designed, intended, or used to discriminate because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [ex] disability, or address status.

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48 Nothing contained in this chapter shall be interpreted to require any employer, 49 employment agency, labor organization, or joint labor-management committee subject to this 50 chapter to grant preferential treatment to any individual or to any group because of the race, 51 color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [or] disability, or address status of such 52 individual or group on account of an imbalance which may exist with respect to the total number 53 or percentage of persons of any race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [or] 54 disability, or address status employed by any employer, referred or classified for employment 55 by any employment agency or labor organization, admitted to membership or classified by any 56 labor organization, or admitted to or employed in any apprenticeship or other training program, 57 in comparison with the total number or percentage of persons of such race, color, religion, 58 national origin, sex, ancestry, age, [or] disability, or address status in any community, state, 59 section, or other area, or in the available workforce in any community, state, section, or other 60 area.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, it shall not be an unlawful employment practice for the state or any political subdivision of the state to comply with the provisions of 29 U.S.C. Section 623 relating to employment as firefighters or law enforcement officers.

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