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101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 173.035, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to information provided to students.

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

Section A. Section 173.035, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 161.625 and 173.035, to read as follows:

161.625. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Students' Right to Know Act".

2. Beginning on January 1, 2022, to help each high school student make more informed decisions about the student's future and ensure that the student is adequately aware of the cost of four-year college and other alternative career paths, the department of higher education and workforce development shall collect and compile the following information on an annual basis:

(1) The most in-demand jobs in the state, including starting salary and education level required for such jobs;

(2) The average cost for each public institution of higher education and vocational school in the state;

(3) The average monthly student loan payment of all students in attendance at a public institution of higher education or vocational school in the state, for each public institution of higher education or vocational school in the state;

(4) The average three-year student loan default rate for each public institution of higher education and vocational school in the state;

(5) The average graduation rate for each public institution of higher education and vocational school in the state;

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 (6) The completion rates for apprenticeship programs, high school credential
20 programs, career and technical education programs, and military first-term enlistments;

21 (7) The average starting salary for individuals graduating from each public
22 institution of higher education in the state; and

23 (8) The average starting salary for individuals graduating from each vocational
24 school in the state.

25 3. Each public institution of higher education and vocational school shall report to
26 the department the information listed in subsection 2 of this section that relates to the
27 particular institution. The department shall collect, compile, and add the information on
28 the department's website. On or before October fifteenth of each year, the link and all
29 relevant instruction material shall be distributed to the department of elementary and
30 secondary education for dissemination to public high schools in the state for public
31 distribution to students by school counselors.

32 4. The department may execute a memorandum of understanding with any
33 department, agency, or division for information required to be collected by this section.

34 5. To comply with the requirements of this section, any public institution of higher
35 education, vocational school and the department may use preexisting databases including,
36 but not limited to, the College Scorecard operated by the United States Department of
37 Education and MoJobs.

173.035. 1. The department of higher education and workforce development shall
2 develop, maintain, and operate a website containing information of public ~~[and private]~~
3 institutions of higher education **and vocational schools** in this state directing students to
4 resources including, but not limited to, academic programs, financial aid, ~~[and]~~ how academic
5 course credit may be transferred from one institution of higher education to another, **and**
6 **information reported under section 161.625. The department may post information from**
7 **a private institution of higher education if the private institution desires to report**
8 **information as provided in this section or the department is authorized by any other state**
9 **law to post the private institution's information on the website.** The information on the
10 website shall be made available to the public and shall be accessible from various devices
11 including, but not limited to, computers, tablets, and other electronic communication devices.

12 2. ~~[Inclusion of institution information on the website is voluntary, and institutions of~~
13 ~~higher education may elect to have institutional information included on the website by notifying~~
14 ~~the department of higher education and workforce development]~~ **Public institutions of higher**
15 **education and vocational schools shall, and private institutions of higher education may,**
16 **report all information listed in this section and any other information required by the**
17 **department for posting on the website.**

18 3. The department of higher education and workforce development may promulgate all
19 necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a
20 rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in
21 this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions
22 of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are
23 nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536
24 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held
25 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after
26 August 28, 2016, shall be invalid and void.

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