FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE BILL NO. 700

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BLACK (7).

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 579.097, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the inhalation of substances, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Section 579.097, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu 2 thereof, to be known as section 579.097, to read as follows:

579.097. No person shall intentionally smell or inhale the fumes, gases, or vapors of any solvent, [particularly] chemical, reagent, refrigerant, or other substance including, but 2 not limited to, difluoroethane, trifluoroethane, tetrafluoroethane, toluol, amyl nitrite, butyl 3 nitrite, cyclohexyl nitrite, ethyl nitrite, pentyl nitrite, [and] or propyl nitrite and their 4 iso-analogues or induce any other person to do so, for the purpose of causing a condition of, or 5 6 inducing symptoms of, intoxication, elation, euphoria, dizziness, excitement, irrational behavior, exhilaration, hallucination, paralysis, stupefaction, or dulling of senses or nervous system, or 7 8 for the purpose of, in any manner, changing, distorting, or disturbing the audio, visual, or mental 9 processes; except that this section shall not apply to the inhalation of any anesthesia for medical 10 or dental purposes.

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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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