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AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to COVID-19.

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

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 192.021, to read as follows:

192.021. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "COVID-19 health order", any order, ordinance, rule, or regulation made with 3 the powers granted under the Constitution of the state of Missouri or any state law 4 including, but not limited to, chapter 44 or section 192.020 or 192.300 that is intended to 5 prevent or limit the spread of COVID-19;
 - (2) "Government entity", any agency or instrumentality of the state government or any political subdivision including, but not limited to, county and city health authorities, governing bodies of counties and cities, and school boards of school districts;
 - (3) "Social distancing requirement", any limitation on the number of individuals allowed to gather in a single space at the same time or any requirement to maintain a certain amount of space between individuals.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 44 or any other provision of law, a government entity shall not issue a COVID-19 health order that:
 - (1) Imposes any mandates on individuals or businesses including, but not limited to, social distancing requirements, occupancy restrictions, or face-covering requirements;
 - (2) Requires any business to close or limit its operations; or
- 17 (3) Imposes any fine or penalty against an individual or business for the violation 18 of any requirement or recommendation.

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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19 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no individual or business shall be

20 liable in any action alleging damages associated with the contraction of COVID-19.

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