

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 132

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE GRIFFITH.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 42, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Missouri veterans commission.

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

Section A. Chapter 42, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 42.022, to read as follows:

**42.022. 1. In addition to any other duties imposed under this chapter, the**  
2 **commission shall review the provisions of the Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans**  
3 **Mental Health Care Improvement Act of 2019, enacted by the 116th United States**  
4 **Congress (Pub. L. 116-171), as amended, and any regulations related thereto. After**  
5 **review, the commission, in collaboration with the department of mental health, shall**  
6 **provide recommendations and make efforts to adopt procedures, programs, treatment**  
7 **options, additional aid, and any other assistance deemed necessary by the commission to**  
8 **assist in the efforts to prevent veteran suicide, subject to appropriation.**

9       **2. On or before June 30, 2024, and on or before every June thirtieth thereafter**  
10 **the commission shall file a report with the department of public safety and the general**  
11 **assembly on the recommendations, implementation, and effectiveness of the efforts by**  
12 **the commission to prevent veteran suicide.**

13       **3. The department of public safety may promulgate all necessary rules and**  
14 **regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that**  
15 **term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this**  
16 **section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the**  
17 **provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter**

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.

18 **536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly**  
19 **pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul**  
20 **a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority**  
21 **and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2023, shall be invalid and void.**

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