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AN ACT

To amend chapter 23, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the legislative budget division.

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

Section A. Chapter 23, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 23.135, to read as follows:

- 23.135. 1. The committee on legislative research shall organize a legislative budget division to conduct research and analysis and provide the legislature with objective, nonpartisan, and timely information, analyses, and estimates related to state economic and budgetary decisions. The committee may form a subcommittee of no fewer than six members to provide direct supervision of the personnel and practices of the division. the subcommittee shall consist of one-half of the members appointed by the chair from the chamber which he or she represents and one-half of the members appointed by the vice chair from the chamber which he or she represents.
 - 2. Within the limits of the appropriations made for this division, the committee shall employ a director of the legislative budget division and other personnel as it deems necessary. The director shall be qualified by training and experience to conduct budget research and analysis and he or she shall be directly responsible for those activities. The director of the legislative budget division, with the consent of the joint committee, may employ personnel necessary to carry out the duties prescribed in this section. Persons employed to work in the legislative budget division shall be professional persons possessing a wide knowledge and demonstrated expertise in governmental budgets and

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 financial planning, in conducting budgetary review and analytic studies, and knowledge

18 of federal, state, and local budgetary processes.

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