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HOUSE BILL NO. 1167

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 288, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to employment security, with a delayed effective date.

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

Section A. Chapter 288, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 288.056, to read as follows:

**288.056. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Employment
2 Security and Job Referrals Act of 2023".**

**3 2. As used in this section, the term "division" shall mean the division of
4 employment security of the Missouri department of labor and industrial relations.**

**5 3. The division shall, utilizing existing department resources, establish a process
6 by which open positions submitted to the department of labor and industrial relations
7 by employers will be directly shared by the division with unemployment compensation
8 claimants.**

**9 4. The division shall establish a process by which, for the purpose of helping
10 unemployment compensation claimants secure suitable work, the division shall refer
11 unemployment compensation claimants to such open positions, including facilitating
12 contact between employers and claimants and monitoring whether claimants are
13 sufficiently responsive to a referral.**

**14 5. Failure to comply with referrals made pursuant to this section shall be deemed
15 as a failure to participate in reemployment services as required by subdivision (7) of
16 subsection 1 of section 288.040.**

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.

17 **6. Claimants shall be subject to the requirements of this section regardless of job**
18 **attachment classification.**

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

 Section B. The enactment of section 288.056 of this act shall become effective on
2 January 1, 2024.

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