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TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI
102nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

Herewith I return to you Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 9 entitled:

AN ACT

To appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Corrections and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds, for the period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.

Section 9.006

I hereby veto \$3,000,000 general revenue for crime victim notification software. The Fiscal Year 2024 budget that was passed by the Missouri General Assembly totals \$53.5 billion, over \$1.7 billion more than my recommended budget. Additionally, the Missouri General Assembly passed legislation which is estimated to result in a loss of ongoing general revenues exceeding \$300 million and increasing ongoing general revenue expenditures by over \$200 million. In addition, Missouri has consistently maintained a AAA bond rating and we will ensure a balanced budget for years to come. In light of all of these factors, I have vetoed this provision in an effort to help ensure the financial stability of Missouri beyond my Administration and the current General Assembly. Further, this item is duplicative of funding in place for the Office of Administration's Information Technology Services Division which currently administers the state's crime victim notification system.

Said section is vetoed in its entirety from \$3,000,000 to \$0 from General Revenue Fund.
From \$3,000,000 to \$0 in total for the section.

Section 9.195

I hereby veto \$550,000 general revenue for a pilot program to gauge the effectiveness of prescription digital therapeutics for the treatment of substance use disorder and opioid use disorder. The Fiscal Year 2024 budget that was passed by the Missouri General Assembly totals \$53.5 billion, over \$1.7 billion more than my recommended budget. Additionally, the Missouri General Assembly passed legislation which is estimated to result in a loss of ongoing general revenues exceeding \$300 million and increasing ongoing general revenue expenditures by over \$200 million. In addition, Missouri has consistently maintained a AAA bond rating and we will ensure a balanced budget for years to come. In light of all of these factors, I have vetoed this provision in an effort to help ensure the financial stability of Missouri beyond my Administration and the current General Assembly. Further, the Department of Corrections already operates a substance abuse program; this funding would be duplicative of current programming and was not requested by the department.

For a pilot program to gauge the effectiveness of prescription digital therapeutics.
From \$550,000 to \$0 from General Revenue Fund.

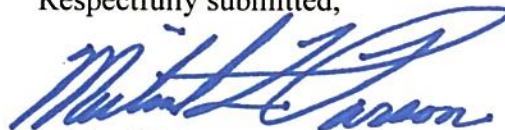
I hereby veto \$500,000 general revenue for a pilot program to ensure the availability and use of all medication assisted treatment products approved by the FDA to treat opioid and/or alcohol use disorder. The Fiscal Year 2024 budget that was passed by the Missouri General Assembly totals \$53.5 billion, over \$1.7 billion more than my recommended budget. Additionally, the Missouri General Assembly passed legislation which is estimated to result in a loss of ongoing general revenues exceeding \$300 million and increasing ongoing general revenue expenditures by over \$200 million. In addition, Missouri has consistently maintained a AAA bond rating and we will ensure a balanced budget for years to come. In light of all of these factors, I have vetoed this provision in an effort to help ensure the financial stability of Missouri beyond my Administration and the current General Assembly. Further, this funding would expand the current pilot for the medication assisted treatment program. Determinations regarding additional state general revenue funding should be made once the program has been established and the effectiveness of the investments have been demonstrated.

For a pilot program to ensure the availability and use of all medication assisted treatment products.
From \$500,000 to \$0 from General Revenue Fund.

From \$187,608,238 to \$186,558,238 in total for the section.

On June 30, 2023 I approved Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 9, except for those items specifically vetoed and not approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael L. Parson
Governor