

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2624

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE JONES.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 376, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to insurance coverage of organ transplants.

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

Section A. Chapter 376, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 376.1593, to read as follows:

376.1593. 1. The provisions of this section shall be known and may be cited as the "End Organ Harvesting Act of 2024".

2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Director", the director of the department of health and senior services;

(2) "Forced organ harvesting", the removal of one or more organs from a living person, or a person killed for the purpose of removal of one or more organs, by means of coercion, abduction, deception, fraud, or abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability;

(3) "Health benefit plan", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.1350. The term "health benefit plan" shall also include MO HealthNet and the state children's health insurance program authorized under chapter 208;

(4) "Health carrier", the same meaning given to the term in section 376.1350. The term "health carrier" shall also include the MO HealthNet division and any Medicaid managed care organization as defined in section 208.431.

3. A health carrier or health benefit plan shall not cover a human organ transplant or post-transplant care if:

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 **(1) The transplant operation is performed in the People's Republic of China or**
18 **another country known to have participated in forced organ harvesting, as designated**
19 **by the director; or**

20 **(2) The human organ to be transplanted was procured by sale or donation**
21 **originating in the People's Republic of China or another country known to have**
22 **participated in forced organ harvesting, as designated by the director.**

23 **4. The director may designate additional countries with governments that fund,**
24 **sponsor, or otherwise facilitate forced organ harvesting and shall provide written notice**
25 **to the state board of health and senior services when the director designates an**
26 **additional country.**

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