SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE CHRISTOFANELLI.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

Relating to state retirement investment in Bitcoin.

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

	WHEREAS, the landscape of financial investments is rapidly evolving with the
2	advent of digital assets like Bitcoin, which has a market capitalization of approximately one
3	trillion dollars; and
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5	WHEREAS, digital assets such as Bitcoin have gained significant interest in the
6	realm of exchange-traded funds (ETFs); and
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8	WHEREAS, large retirement funds have dedicated significant seed funding for a spot
9	Bitcoin ETF, signaling growing institutional interest in such investment vehicles; and
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11	WHEREAS, the global assets under management for firms who have filed for a
12	Bitcoin ETF are over 16 trillion dollars; and
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14	WHEREAS, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has
15	approved eleven spot Bitcoin ETFs as of January 10, 2024, which began trading on January
16	11, 2024; and
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18	WHEREAS, pension funds traditionally have exposure to a diverse number of sectors
19	of the economy, including commodities such as gold and silver which are traditionally
20	invested in via an ETF; and
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WHEREAS, the federal government holds approximately 200,000 Bitcoin; and

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WHEREAS, the state of Missouri has an obligation to its pensioners:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby recognize the emerging role of Bitcoin and other digital assets in the modern financial ecosystem, particularly in the context of ETFs and encourage state retirement agencies to consider the implications of including a digital-asset ETF in their investment portfolios; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly directs the state retirement agency to work with the Treasurer's office to evaluate the potential risks and benefits of investing in Bitcoin and digital-asset ETFs, given the evolving regulatory landscape and growing market capitalization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly requests a comprehensive report on the feasibility, risks, and potential benefits of directing a portion of state retirement funds into digital-asset ETFs by the state retirement agency to be submitted to the Treasurer's office and each House and Senate committee of jurisdiction three months before the start of the 2025 legislative session; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly requests the state retirement agency, to the extent practicable, consult with firms which have been granted SEC approval to offer a digital-asset ETF; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly requests the comprehensive report contain a list of options and recommendations for how the state might safely invest in the digital asset class as part of the comprehensive report; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Governor for approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.

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