	House Amendment NO
	Offered By
	AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 943, Page 5, Section 190.101, Lines 2-3, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
	"Medical Services" which shall consist of [sixteen] no more than twenty-three members, one of which shall be [a resident] the chief paramedic of a city not within a county. The members of the council"; and
	Further amend said bill, Page 11, Section 190.166, Line 60, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:
	mie the following.
	"190.800. 1. Each ground ambulance service, except for any ambulance service owned and
,	operated by an entity owned and operated by the state of Missouri, including but not limited to any
	hospital owned or operated by the board of curators, as defined in chapter 172, or any department of
	the state, shall, in addition to all other fees and taxes now required or paid, pay an ambulance
	service reimbursement allowance tax for the privilege of engaging in the business of providing
ŧ	ambulance services in this state.
	2. For the purpose of this section, the following terms shall mean:
	(1) "Ambulance", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 190.100;
	(2) "Ambulance service", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 190.100;
	(3) "Engaging in the business of providing ambulance services in this state", accepting
1	payment for such services.
	191.227. 1. All physicians, chiropractors, hospitals, dentists, and other duly licensed
	practitioners in this state, herein called "providers", shall, upon written request of a patient, or
	guardian or legally authorized representative of a patient, furnish a copy of his or her record of that
	patient's health history and treatment rendered to the person submitting a written request, except that
	such right shall be limited to access consistent with the patient's condition and sound therapeutic
	treatment as determined by the provider. Beginning August 28, 1994, such record shall be furnished
	within a reasonable time of the receipt of the request therefor and upon payment of a fee as provided in this section.
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- 2. Health care providers may condition the furnishing of the patient's health care records to the patient, the patient's authorized representative or any other person or entity authorized by law to obtain or reproduce such records upon payment of a fee for:
- (1) (a) Search and retrieval, in an amount not more than twenty-four dollars and eighty-five cents plus copying in the amount of fifty-seven cents per page for the cost of supplies and labor plus, if the health care provider has contracted for off-site records storage and management, any additional labor costs of outside storage retrieval, not to exceed twenty-three dollars and twenty-six cents, as adjusted annually pursuant to subsection 6 of this section; or
- (b) The records shall be furnished electronically upon payment of the search, retrieval, and copying fees set under this section at the time of the request or one hundred eight dollars and eighty-eight cents total, whichever is less, if such person:
- a. Requests health records to be delivered electronically in a format of the health care provider's choice;
- b. The health care provider stores such records completely in an electronic health record; and
- c. The health care provider is capable of providing the requested records and affidavit, if requested, in an electronic format;
 - (2) Postage, to include packaging and delivery cost;

(3) Notary fee, not to exceed two dollars, if requested.

Such fee shall be the fee in effect on February 1, 2018, increased or decreased annually under this section.

- 3. For purposes of subsections 1 and 2 of this section, "a copy of his or her record of that patient's health history and treatment rendered" or "the patient's health care records" includes a statement or record that no such health history or treatment record responsive to the request exists.
- 4. Notwithstanding provisions of this section to the contrary, providers may charge for the reasonable cost of all duplications of health care record material or information which cannot routinely be copied or duplicated on a standard commercial photocopy machine.
- 5. The transfer of the patient's record done in good faith shall not render the provider liable to the patient or any other person for any consequences which resulted or may result from disclosure of the patient's record as required by this section.
- 6. Effective February first of each year, the fees listed in subsection 2 of this section shall be increased or decreased annually based on the annual percentage change in the unadjusted, U.S. city average, annual average inflation rate of the medical care component of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U). The current reference base of the index, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, shall be used as the reference base. For purposes of this subsection, the annual average inflation rate shall be based on a twelvemonth calendar year beginning in January and ending in December of each preceding calendar year.

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The department of health and senior services shall report the annual adjustment and the adjusted fees authorized in this section on the department's internet website by February first of each year.

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- 7. A health care provider may disclose a deceased patient's health care records or payment records to the executor or administrator of the deceased person's estate, or pursuant to a valid, unrevoked power of attorney for health care that specifically directs that the deceased person's health care records be released to the agent after death. If an executor, administrator, or agent has not been appointed, the deceased prior to death did not specifically object to disclosure of his or her records in writing, and such disclosure is not inconsistent with any prior expressed preference of the deceased that is known to the health care provider, a deceased patient's health care records may be released upon written request of a person who is deemed as the personal representative of the deceased person under this subsection. Priority shall be given to the deceased patient's spouse and the records shall be released on the affidavit of the surviving spouse that he or she is the surviving spouse. If there is no surviving spouse, the health care records may be released to one of the following persons:
- (1) The acting trustee of a trust created by the deceased patient either alone or with the deceased patient's spouse;
- (2) An adult child of the deceased patient on the affidavit of the adult child that he or she is the adult child of the deceased;
- (3) A parent of the deceased patient on the affidavit of the parent that he or she is the parent of the deceased;
- (4) An adult brother or sister of the deceased patient on the affidavit of the adult brother or sister that he or she is the adult brother or sister of the deceased;
- (5) A guardian or conservator of the deceased patient at the time of the patient's death on the affidavit of the guardian or conservator that he or she is the guardian or conservator of the deceased; or
- (6) A guardian ad litem of the deceased's minor child based on the affidavit of the guardian that he or she is the guardian ad litem of the minor child of the deceased.
- 8. (1) Records containing a patient's health history and treatment created by an emergency care provider, as defined in section 191.630, or a telecommunicator first responder, as defined in section 650.320, in the course of the provider's or responder's official duties while responding to a formal request for assistance shall be made available, upon written request, to any person authorized to obtain the patient's health care records under the provisions of this section.
- (2) The furnishing of health care records under this subsection may be conditioned upon the payment of a fee in an amount equal to the fee allowed for the furnishing of any other health care record under this section.
- (3) Nothing in this subsection shall limit the release of information regarding the general nature of the event that resulted in a formal request of assistance as long as any personal health information is redacted.

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(4) Nothing in this subsection shall limit the release of information to facilitate the normal 1 2 delivery of patient care or to evaluate the quality of care as part of an established quality 3 improvement program."; and 4 5 Further amend said bill, Pages 17-19, Section 198.700, Lines 1-54, by deleting all of said lines and 6 inserting in lieu thereof the following: 7 8 "198.700. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean: 9 (1) "Facility", an independent living facility or a long-term care facility, as those terms are 10 defined in this section; (2) "Independent living facility", a communal living structure in which at least fifty percent 11 12 of the residents are fifty-five years of age or older that provides its residents with on-site access to 13 dining, transportation, medical care, and basic housekeeping and laundry services and that is not 14 licensed by the state; (3) "Long-term care facility", any facility licensed under this chapter; 15 16 (4) "Referral agency", an individual or entity that provides referrals to a facility for a fee 17 that is collected from the facility. The term "referral agency" shall not include a facility or its 18 employees, a family member of a resident of a facility, or a resident of a facility regardless of 19 whether the resident who refers a prospective resident to a facility receives a discount or other 20 remuneration from the facility. 21 2. A referral agency shall disclose or provide, as applicable, to a prospective resident or the 22 representative of the prospective resident referred to a facility: 23 (1) Written or electronic documentation of the existence of any relationships between the 24 referral agency and the facility, including common ownership or control of the facility and financial, 25 business, management, or familial relationships between the referral agency and the facility; 26 (2) That the referral agency receives a fee from the facility for the referral; and 27 (3) Written or electronic documentation of the agreement between the referral agency and 28 the prospective resident or representative of the prospective resident. The agreement shall include: 29 (a) A detailed description of the services provided by the referral agency in exchange for the 30 fee paid by the facility; 31 (b) The right of the prospective resident or representative of the prospective resident to 32 terminate the referral agency's services for any reason at any time without a fee or other penalty for 33 such termination; 34 (c) A requirement that the referral agency communicate the cancellation of the agreement to 35 all facilities to which the prospective resident has been referred; 36 (d) The right of the prospective resident or representative of the prospective resident to

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request not to be contacted in the future by the referral agency; and

receive the referral agency's privacy policy upon request to the referral agency.

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- 3. (1) The referral agency and the prospective resident or representative of the prospective resident shall sign and date, in writing or electronically, the agreement required in subsection 2 of this section. The referral agency shall provide a written or electronic copy of the signed agreement to the facility on or before the date the resident becomes an occupant of or is admitted to the facility. No referral agency shall charge a fee or other penalty to any facility resulting from the termination of an agreement by a prospective resident or representative of a prospective resident.
 - (2) The facility shall:
- (a) Not pay the referral agency a fee until such facility receives the written or electronic agreement required in subsection 2 of this section and the resident becomes an occupant of or is admitted to the facility; and
- (b) Not sell or transfer the prospective resident's or prospective resident's representative's contact information to a third party without the written consent of the prospective resident or representative of the prospective resident.
- 4. A referral agency that violates this section is subject to a civil penalty of up to five hundred dollars per violation.
- 5. The attorney general or a circuit attorney may bring a civil action on behalf of the state to seek the imposition of a civil penalty for a violation of this section or to enjoin the continuance of the violation by the referral agency."; and

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Further amend said bill, Page 31, Section 210.030, Line 32, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

- "301.142. 1. As used in sections 301.141 to 301.143, the following terms mean:
- (1) "Department", the department of revenue;
- (2) "Director", the director of the department of revenue;
- (3) "Other authorized health care practitioner" includes advanced practice registered nurses licensed pursuant to chapter 335, physician assistants licensed pursuant to chapter 334, chiropractors licensed pursuant to chapter 331, podiatrists licensed pursuant to chapter 330, assistant physicians, physical therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 334, occupational therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 324, and optometrists licensed pursuant to chapter 336;
- (4) "Physically disabled", a natural person who is blind, as defined in section 8.700, or a natural person with medical disabilities which prohibits, limits, or severely impairs one's ability to ambulate or walk, as determined by a licensed physician or other authorized health care practitioner as follows:
- (a) The person cannot ambulate or walk fifty or less feet without stopping to rest due to a severe and disabling arthritic, neurological, orthopedic condition, or other severe and disabling condition; or
- (b) The person cannot ambulate or walk without the use of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, wheelchair, or other assistive device; or

- (c) Is restricted by a respiratory or other disease to such an extent that the person's forced respiratory expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty mm/hg on room air at rest; or
 - (d) Uses portable oxygen; or

- (e) Has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are classified in severity as class III or class IV according to standards set by the American Heart Association; or
- (f) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of subsection 16 of this section, a person's age, in and of itself, shall not be a factor in determining whether such person is physically disabled or is otherwise entitled to disabled license plates and/or disabled windshield hanging placards within the meaning of sections 301.141 to 301.143;
 - (5) "Physician", a person licensed to practice medicine pursuant to chapter 334;
- (6) "Physician's statement", a statement personally signed by a duly authorized person which certifies that a person is disabled as defined in this section;
- (7) "Temporarily disabled person", a disabled person as defined in this section whose disability or incapacity is expected to last no more than one hundred eighty days;
- (8) "Temporary windshield placard", a placard to be issued to persons who are temporarily disabled persons as defined in this section, certification of which shall be indicated on the physician's statement;
- (9) "Windshield placard", a placard to be issued to persons who are physically disabled as defined in this section, certification of which shall be indicated on the physician's statement.
- 2. Other authorized health care practitioners may furnish to a disabled or temporarily disabled person a physician's statement for only those physical health care conditions for which such health care practitioner is legally authorized to diagnose and treat.
 - 3. A physician's statement shall:
 - (1) Be on a form prescribed by the director of revenue;
- (2) Set forth the specific diagnosis and medical condition which renders the person physically disabled or temporarily disabled as defined in this section;
 - (3) Include the physician's or other authorized health care practitioner's license number; and
- (4) Be personally signed by the issuing physician or other authorized health care practitioner.
- 4. If it is the professional opinion of the physician or other authorized health care practitioner issuing the statement that the physical disability of the applicant, user, or member of the applicant's household is permanent, it shall be noted on the statement. Otherwise, the physician or other authorized health care practitioner shall note on the statement the anticipated length of the disability, which shall determine the expiration date for the temporary windshield placard, and which period shall not exceed one hundred eighty days. If the physician or health care practitioner fails to record an expiration date on the physician's statement, the director shall issue a temporary windshield placard for a period of thirty days.

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5. A physician or other authorized health care practitioner who issues or signs a physician's statement so that disabled plates or a disabled windshield placard may be obtained shall maintain in such disabled person's medical chart documentation that such a certificate has been issued, the date the statement was signed, the diagnosis or condition which existed that qualified the person as disabled pursuant to this section and shall contain sufficient documentation so as to objectively confirm that such condition exists.

- 6. The medical or other records of the physician or other authorized health care practitioner who issued a physician's statement shall be open to inspection and review by such practitioner's licensing board, in order to verify compliance with this section. Information contained within such records shall be confidential unless required for prosecution, disciplinary purposes, or otherwise required to be disclosed by law.
- 7. Owners of motor vehicles who are residents of the state of Missouri, and who are physically disabled, owners of motor vehicles operated at least fifty percent of the time by a physically disabled person, or owners of motor vehicles used to primarily transport physically disabled members of the owner's household may obtain disabled person license plates. Such owners, upon application to the director accompanied by the documents and fees provided for in this section, a current physician's statement which has been issued within ninety days proceeding the date the application is made, and proof of compliance with the state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, shall be issued motor vehicle license plates for vehicles, other than commercial vehicles with a gross weight in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds, upon which shall be inscribed the international wheelchair accessibility symbol and the word "DISABLED" in addition to a combination of letters and numbers. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. If at any time an individual who obtained disabled license plates issued under this subsection no longer occupies a residence with a physically disabled person, or no longer owns a vehicle that is operated at least fifty percent of the time by a physically disabled person, such individual shall surrender the disabled license plates to the department within thirty days of becoming ineligible for their use.
- 8. The director shall further issue, upon request, to such applicant one, and for good cause shown, as the director may define by rule and regulations, not more than two, removable disabled windshield hanging placards for use when the disabled person is occupying a vehicle or when a vehicle not bearing the permanent handicap plate is being used to pick up, deliver, or collect the physically disabled person issued the disabled motor vehicle license plate or disabled windshield hanging placard.
- 9. No additional fee shall be paid to the director for the issuance of the special license plates provided in this section, except for special personalized license plates and other license plates described in this subsection. Priority for any specific set of special license plates shall be given to the applicant who received the number in the immediately preceding license period subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of this section and any applicable rules or regulations

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issued by the director. If determined feasible by the advisory committee established in section 301.129, any special license plate issued pursuant to this section may be adapted to also include the international wheelchair accessibility symbol and the word "DISABLED" as prescribed in this section and such plate may be issued to any applicant who meets the requirements of this section and the other appropriate provision of this chapter, subject to the requirements and fees of the appropriate provision of this chapter.

- 10. Any physically disabled person, or the parent or guardian of any such person, or any not-for-profit group, organization, or other entity which transports more than one physically disabled person, may apply to the director of revenue for a removable windshield placard. The placard may be used in motor vehicles which do not bear the permanent handicap symbol on the license plate. Such placards must be hung from the front, middle rearview mirror of a parked motor vehicle and may not be hung from the mirror during operation. These placards may only be used during the period of time when the vehicle is being used by a disabled person, or when the vehicle is being used to pick up, deliver, or collect a disabled person, and shall be surrendered to the department, within thirty days, if a group, organization, or entity that obtained the removable windshield placard due to the transportation of more than one physically disabled person no longer transports more than one disabled person. When there is no rearview mirror, the placard shall be displayed on the dashboard on the driver's side.
- 11. The removable windshield placard shall conform to the specifications, in respect to size, color, and content, as set forth in federal regulations published by the Department of Transportation. The removable windshield placard shall be renewed every four years. The director may stagger the expiration dates to equalize workload. Only one removable placard may be issued to an applicant who has been issued disabled person license plates. Upon request, one additional windshield placard may be issued to an applicant who has not been issued disabled person license plates.
- 12. A temporary windshield placard shall be issued to any physically disabled person, or the parent or guardian of any such person who otherwise qualifies except that the physical disability, in the opinion of the physician, is not expected to exceed a period of one hundred eighty days. The temporary windshield placard shall conform to the specifications, in respect to size, color, and content, as set forth in federal regulations published by the Department of Transportation. The fee for the temporary windshield placard shall be two dollars. Upon request, and for good cause shown, one additional temporary windshield placard may be issued to an applicant. Temporary windshield placards shall be issued upon presentation of the physician's statement provided by this section and shall be displayed in the same manner as removable windshield placards. A person or entity shall be qualified to possess and display a temporary removable windshield placard for six months and the placard may be renewed once for an additional six months if a physician's statement pursuant to this section is supplied to the director of revenue at the time of renewal.
- 13. A windshield placard shall be renewable only by the person or entity to which the placard was originally issued. Any placard issued pursuant to this section shall only be used when the physically disabled occupant for whom the disabled plate or placard was issued is in the motor

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vehicle at the time of parking or when a physically disabled person is being delivered or collected. A disabled license plate and/or a removable windshield hanging placard are not transferable and may not be used by any other person whether disabled or not.

- 14. At the time the disabled plates or windshield hanging placards are issued, the director shall issue a registration certificate which shall include the applicant's name, address, and other identifying information as prescribed by the director, or if issued to an agency, such agency's name and address. This certificate shall further contain the disabled license plate number or, for windshield hanging placards, the registration or identifying number stamped on the placard. The validated registration receipt given to the applicant shall serve as the registration certificate.
- 15. The director shall, upon issuing any disabled registration certificate for license plates and/or windshield hanging placards, provide information which explains that such plates or windshield hanging placards are nontransferable, and the restrictions explaining who and when a person or vehicle which bears or has the disabled plates or windshield hanging placards may be used or be parked in a disabled reserved parking space, and the penalties prescribed for violations of the provisions of this act.
- 16. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, every applicant for issuance of a disabled license plate or placard shall be required to present a new physician's statement dated no more than ninety days prior to such application, and for renewal applications a physician's statement dated no more than ninety days prior to such application shall be required every eighth year.
- (2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if the applicant has presented proof of disability in the form of a statement from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs verifying that the person is permanently disabled, the applicant shall not be required to provide a physician's statement for the purpose of issuance or renewal of disabled person license plates or windshield placards.
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (f) of subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section, any person seventy-five years of age or older who provided a physician's statement with the original application shall not be required to provide a physician's statement for the purpose of renewal of disabled person license plates or windshield placards.
- 17. The director of revenue upon receiving a physician's statement pursuant to this subsection shall check with the state board of registration for the healing arts created in section 334.120, or the Missouri state board of nursing established in section 335.021, with respect to physician's statements signed by advanced practice registered nurses, or the Missouri state board of chiropractic examiners established in section 331.090, with respect to physician's statements signed by licensed chiropractors, or [with] the board of optometry established in section 336.130, with respect to physician's statements signed by licensed optometrists, or the state board of podiatric medicine created in section 330.100, with respect to physician's statements signed by physicians of the foot or podiatrists, or the Missouri board of occupational therapy established in section 324.063, with respect to physician's statements signed by licensed occupational therapists, to determine whether the physician is duly licensed and registered pursuant to law.

18. The boards shall cooperate with the director and shall supply information requested pursuant to this subsection. The director shall, in cooperation with the boards which shall assist the director, establish a list of all Missouri physicians and other authorized health care practitioners and of any other information necessary to administer this section.

- 19. Where the owner's application is based on the fact that the vehicle is used at least fifty percent of the time by a physically disabled person, the applicant shall submit a statement stating this fact, in addition to the physician's statement. The statement shall be signed by both the owner of the vehicle and the physically disabled person. The applicant shall be required to submit this statement with each application for license plates. No person shall willingly or knowingly submit a false statement and any such false statement shall be considered perjury and may be punishable pursuant to section 301.420.
- 20. The director of revenue shall retain all physicians' statements and all other documents received in connection with a person's application for disabled license plates and/or disabled windshield placards.
- 21. The director of revenue shall enter into reciprocity agreements with other states or the federal government for the purpose of recognizing disabled person license plates or windshield placards issued to physically disabled persons.
- 22. When a person to whom disabled person license plates or a removable or temporary windshield placard or both have been issued dies, the personal representative of the decedent or such other person who may come into or otherwise take possession of the disabled license plates or disabled windshield placard shall return the same to the director of revenue under penalty of law. Failure to return such plates or placards shall constitute a class B misdemeanor.
- 23. The director of revenue may order any person issued disabled person license plates or windshield placards to submit to an examination by a chiropractor, osteopath, or physician, or to such other investigation as will determine whether such person qualifies for the special plates or placards.
- 24. If such person refuses to submit or is found to no longer qualify for special plates or placards provided for in this section, the director of revenue shall collect the special plates or placards, and shall furnish license plates to replace the ones collected as provided by this chapter.
- 25. In the event a removable or temporary windshield placard is lost, stolen, or mutilated, the lawful holder thereof shall, within five days, file with the director of revenue an application and an affidavit stating such fact, in order to purchase a new placard. The fee for the replacement windshield placard shall be four dollars.
- 26. Fraudulent application, renewal, issuance, procurement or use of disabled person license plates or windshield placards shall be a class A misdemeanor. It is a class B misdemeanor for a physician, chiropractor, podiatrist [o+], optometrist, or occupational therapist to certify that an individual or family member is qualified for a license plate or windshield placard based on a disability, the diagnosis of which is outside their scope of practice or if there is no basis for the diagnosis."; and

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Further amend said bill, Page 40, Section 338.010, Line 121, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

- "338.710. 1. There is hereby created in the Missouri board of pharmacy the "RX Cares for Missouri Program". The goal of the program shall be to promote medication safety and to prevent prescription drug abuse, misuse, and diversion in Missouri.
- 2. The board, in consultation with the department, shall be authorized to expend, allocate, or award funds appropriated to the board to private or public entities to develop or provide programs or education to promote medication safety or to suppress or prevent prescription drug abuse, misuse, and diversion in the state of Missouri. In no case shall the authorization include, nor the funds be expended for, any state prescription drug monitoring program including, but not limited to, such as are defined in 38 CFR 1.515. Funds disbursed to a state agency under this section may enhance, but shall not supplant, funds otherwise appropriated to such state agency.
- 3. The board shall be the administrative agency responsible for implementing the program in consultation with the department. The board and the department may enter into interagency agreements between themselves to allow the department to assist in the management or operation of the program. The board may award funds directly to the department to implement, manage, develop, or provide programs or education pursuant to the program.
- 4. After a full year of program operation, the board shall prepare and submit an evaluation report to the governor and the general assembly describing the operation of the program and the funds allocated. [Unless otherwise authorized by the general assembly, the program shall expire on August 28, 2026.]"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.