

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 160

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SPARKS.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 568, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the offense of use of a minor to commit a crime, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Chapter 568, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 568.075, to read as follows:

3 **568.075. 1. A person commits the offense of use of a minor to commit a crime if**
4 **the person is eighteen years of age or older and intentionally uses a minor to commit a**
5 **crime for which the person may be prosecuted in a court of law or to assist in avoiding**
6 **detection of or apprehension for such crime.**

7 **2. The offense of use of a minor to commit a crime is a class E felony for a first**
8 **offense, a class D felony for a second offense, and a class C felony for a third or**
9 **subsequent offense.**

10 **3. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**

(1) "Minor", a person who is under eighteen years of age;

(2) "Use", employ, hire, persuade, induce, entice, or coerce.

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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.