

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 901
103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapters 192 and 197, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to workplace security for health care professionals.

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

Section A. Chapters 192 and 197, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto two new
2 sections, to be known as sections 192.918 and 197.752, to read as follows:

**192.918. The department of health and senior services shall implement an
2 education and awareness program to promote respect for health care professionals and
3 educate the public on the legal consequences of assaulting health care professionals.**

**197.752. 1. A hospital may receive reimbursement from the state for moneys
2 spent on new physical property, or on new technology compliant with the National
3 Defense Authorization Act, that enhances the physical security of the hospital during the
4 two years following the effective date of this section.**

**5 2. A hospital may receive reimbursement from the state for new payroll costs for
6 any security personnel the hospital may employ to provide security for the hospital
7 during the three years following the effective date of this section.**

**8 3. Reimbursement from the state under this section shall be subject to
9 appropriations.**

**10 4. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Hospital Security
11 Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated to it by the general assembly and
12 any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, private, or other
13 sources. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections
14 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a**

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.

15 dedicated fund and, upon appropriation, moneys in this fund shall be used solely for
16 reimbursement payments to hospitals as described in this section.

17 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys
18 remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the
19 general revenue fund.

20 (3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as
21 other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be
22 credited to the fund.

23 5. This section shall expire on August 28, 2028.

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