

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 1140

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE REUTER.

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 537, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a cause of action based on alienation of affection.

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

Section A. Chapter 537, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 537.552, to read as follows:

**537.552. 1. A person may bring a cause of action against a third party for alienation of affection. The third party may be liable for civil damages, to be determined by the court, to the person bringing such action.**

**2. (1) An action for alienation of affection shall be commenced within three years from the last act of the third party giving rise to the cause of action.**

**(2) A person may commence a cause of action for alienation of affection against a natural person only.**

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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.