

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 1871, Page 1, Section A, Line 4, by
2 inserting after said section and line the following:
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4 "9.515. August twelfth each year is hereby designated as "Election Worker Appreciation
5 Day" in Missouri. The citizens of this state are encouraged to participate in appropriate events
6 and activities to celebrate the essential contributions of election workers and express
7 appreciation for the vital role they play in elections.

8 108.240. 1. Before any general obligation bearer bond or general obligation registered
9 bond, hereafter issued by any county, township, city, town, village or school district or special
10 road district or fire protection district or by virtue of the provisions of chapters 243, 245, 248,
11 and sections 242.010 to 242.690 for any purpose whatever, shall obtain validity or be negotiated:

12 (1) If such bonds are in bearer form, such bonds shall first be presented to the state
13 auditor, who, other provisions of law notwithstanding, shall certify by manual or facsimile
14 endorsement of such bonds that all conditions of the laws have been complied with in its issue, if
15 that be the case, and also that the conditions of the contract, under which they were ordered to be
16 issued, have also been complied with and the evidence of that fact shall be filed and preserved by
17 the auditor. The state auditor may endorse bearer bonds with the auditor's facsimile signature in
18 lieu of manual signature after filing the auditor's manual signature, certified by the auditor under
19 oath, with the secretary of state; and

20 (2) If such bonds are in registered form, the proceedings relating to the issuance of such
21 registered bonds shall first be presented to the state auditor, who shall examine the same and
22 shall issue a certificate that such proceedings comply with all conditions of the laws, if that be
23 the case, and also that the conditions of the contract, under which they were ordered to be issued,
24 have also been complied with, and the evidence of these facts shall be filed and preserved by the
25 auditor. The state auditor shall also maintain the following information: the name of the issuer
26 of the bonds; the amount thereof; the maturity dates thereof; the interest rates thereon; and the
27 provisions with respect to prepayment, if any.

28 2. Such bearer bonds after receiving the said certificate of the auditor as herein provided
29 and such registered bonds after the issuance of the said certificate as herein provided shall
30 thereafter be held in every action, suit or proceeding in which their validity is, or may be,

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1 brought into question, prima facie, valid and binding obligations, and in every action brought to
 2 enforce collection of such bonds, the certificate of such auditor, or a duly certified copy thereof,
 3 shall be admitted and received in evidence of the validity of such bonds, together with the
 4 coupons thereto attached if any; provided, the only defense which can be offered against the
 5 validity of such bonds shall be for forgery or fraud. But this section shall not be construed to
 6 give validity to any such bonds as may be issued in excess of the limit fixed by the constitution,
 7 or contrary to its provisions, but all such bonds shall, to the extent of such excess, be held void;
 8 and provided further, that the remedy of injunction shall also lie at the instance of any taxpayer
 9 of the respective county, city, town, village, township or school district or special road district or
 10 fire protection district or drainage district or levy district to prevent the registration of any bonds,
 11 alleged to be illegally issued or funded.

12 3. For purposes of subsection 1 of this section, once the time period set forth in section
 13 115.557 has expired, if no election contest has been brought, all conditions of chapter 115 shall
 14 be deemed as having been complied with in the issuance of the bond."; and
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16 Further amend said bill, Pages 2-3, Section 115.127, Lines 16-29, by deleting said lines and
 17 inserting in lieu thereof the following:
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19 "2. Except as provided in subsections 1 and 4 of this section and in sections 115.521,
 20 115.549 and 115.593, the election authority shall cause legal notice of each election held in its
 21 jurisdiction to be published. The notice shall be published in two newspapers of different
 22 political faith and qualified pursuant to chapter 493 which are published within the bounds of the
 23 area holding the election. If there is only one so-qualified newspaper, then notice shall be
 24 published in only one newspaper. If there is no newspaper published within the bounds of the
 25 election area, then the notice shall be published in two qualified newspapers of different political
 26 faith serving the area. Notice shall be published twice~~[-, the first publication occurring in the~~
 27 ~~second week prior to the election, and the second publication occurring]~~ within ~~[one week]~~ six
 28 weeks prior to the election. Each such legal notice shall include the date and time of the
 29 election, the name of the officer or agency calling the election and a sample ballot; and, unless
 30 notice has been given as provided by section 115.129, the second publication of notice of the
 31 election shall include the location of polling places. The election authority may provide any
 32 additional notice of the election it deems desirable."; and
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34 Further amend said bill and section, Page 3, Lines 35-41, by deleting said lines and inserting in
 35 lieu thereof the following:
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37 "4. In lieu of causing legal notice to be published twice in accordance with any of the
 38 provisions of this chapter, the election authority ~~[in jurisdictions which have less than seven~~
 39 ~~hundred fifty registered voters and in which no newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 493 is~~

1 ~~published,]~~ may cause legal notice to be mailed [~~during the second week prior to the election, by~~
2 ~~first class mail,]~~ within six weeks prior to the election to each registered voter at the voter's
3 voting address and published once in one or more newspapers in the county. An election
4 authority may exclude from this mailing any voter that is designated as an inactive voter
5 pursuant to section 115.193. All such legal notices shall include the date and time of the
6 election, the location of the polling place, the name of the officer or agency calling the election
7 and a sample ballot."; and
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9 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
10 accordingly.