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AN ACT

To repeal sections 43.656, 67.2540, 135.621, 168.071, 192.2405, 210.115, 210.950, 210.1080, 210.1505, 324.012, 329.050, 339.100, 451.040, 451.080, 451.090, 452.305, 452.310, 455.010, 455.035, 455.513, 491.075, 491.641, 492.304, 537.046, 537.047, 542.301, 566.010, 566.147, 566.148, 566.149, 566.150, 566.151, 566.155, 566.210, 566.211, 566.218, 567.030, 573.010, 573.023, 573.025, 573.035, 573.037, 573.038, 573.050, 573.052, 573.215, 589.042, 589.400, 589.414, 610.021, 610.131, 650.120, and 660.520, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof sixty-one new sections relating to the protection of children, vulnerable persons, and animals, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Sections 43.656, 67.2540, 135.621, 168.071, 192.2405, 210.115, 210.950,
2 210.1080, 210.1505, 324.012, 329.050, 339.100, 451.040, 451.080, 451.090, 452.305,
3 452.310, 455.010, 455.035, 455.513, 491.075, 491.641, 492.304, 537.046, 537.047, 542.301,
4 566.010, 566.147, 566.148, 566.149, 566.150, 566.151, 566.155, 566.210, 566.211, 566.218,
5 567.030, 573.010, 573.023, 573.025, 573.035, 573.037, 573.038, 573.050, 573.052, 573.215,
6 589.042, 589.400, 589.414, 610.021, 610.131, 650.120, and 660.520, RSMo, are repealed and
7 sixty-one new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 43.656, 67.2540,
8 135.621, 168.071, 192.2405, 192.2510, 210.115, 210.191, 210.950, 210.1080, 210.1505,
9 273.361, 273.410, 273.415, 324.012, 329.050, 339.100, 451.040, 451.080, 451.090, 452.305,
10 452.310, 455.010, 455.035, 455.513, 491.075, 491.641, 492.304, 537.046, 537.047, 537.054,
11 542.301, 556.039, 566.010, 566.147, 566.148, 566.149, 566.150, 566.151, 566.155, 566.201,
12 566.210, 566.211, 566.218, 567.030, 573.010, 573.023, 573.025, 573.035, 573.037, 573.038,

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.

13 573.050, 573.052, 573.215, 589.042, 589.400, 589.414, 610.021, 610.131, 650.120, and
14 660.520, to read as follows:

43.656. It is hereby found and declared that:

2 (1) With the widespread use of computers, the internet and electronic devices to
3 commit crimes and the critical lack of resources at state and local levels;

4 (2) Modern day criminals have learned to exploit the internet and electronic
5 communication to leverage computer technology to reach a virtually unlimited number of
6 victims while maintaining a maximum level of anonymity[;]. Computer crimes will continue
7 to mount, especially in, but not limited to, the areas of child [~~pornography~~] **sexual abuse**
8 **material** and sexual offenses involving children, consumer fraud and harassment;

9 (3) It is necessary for the protection of the citizens of this state that provisions be
10 made for the establishment of the Missouri regional computer forensics lab to prevent and
11 reduce computer, internet and other electronically based crimes.

67.2540. As used in sections 67.2540 to 67.2556, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Adult cabaret", a nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar establishment in which
3 persons regularly appear in a state of nudity, as defined in section 573.500, or seminudity in
4 the performance of their duties;

5 (2) "Employee", a person who is at least twenty-one years of age and who performs
6 any service on the premises of a sexually oriented business on a full-time, part-time, or
7 contract basis, whether or not the person is denominated an employee, independent
8 contractor, agent, or otherwise, and whether or not said person is paid a salary, wage, or other
9 compensation by the operator of said business. The term employee does not include a person
10 exclusively on the premises for repair or maintenance of the premises or equipment on the
11 premises, or for the delivery of goods to the premises;

12 (3) "Nudity" or a "state of nudity", the showing of the human male or female genitals,
13 pubic area, vulva, anus, anal cleft or anal cleavage with less than a fully opaque covering, the
14 showing of the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering of any part of the nipple,
15 or the showing of the covered male genitals in a discernibly turgid state;

16 (4) "Nuisance", any place in or upon which lewdness, assignation, or prostitution is
17 conducted, permitted, continued, or exists, or any place, in or upon which lewd, indecent,
18 lascivious, or obscene films, or films designed to be projected for exhibition, are
19 photographed, manufactured, developed, screened, exhibited, or otherwise prepared or
20 shown, and the personal property and contents used in conducting and maintaining any such
21 place for any such purpose. The provisions of this section shall not affect any newspaper,
22 magazine, or other publication entered as second class matter by the post office department;

23 (5) "Person", an individual, proprietorship, partnership, corporation, association, or
24 other legal entity;

25 (6) "Seminude" or in a "seminude condition", a state of dress in which opaque
26 clothing fails to cover the genitals, anus, anal cleft or cleavage, pubic area, vulva, nipple and
27 areola of the female breast below a horizontal line across the top of the areola at its highest
28 point. Seminudity shall include the entire lower portion of the female breast, but shall not
29 include any portion of the cleavage of the human female breast exhibited by wearing apparel
30 provided the areola is not exposed in whole or part;

31 (7) "Sexually oriented business", an adult cabaret or any business which offers its
32 patrons goods of which a substantial or significant portion are sexually oriented material. It
33 shall be presumed that a business that derives thirty percent or less of its revenue from
34 sexually oriented materials is presumed not to be a sexually oriented business. No building,
35 premises, structure, or other facility that contains any sexually oriented business shall contain
36 any other kind of sexually oriented business;

37 (8) "Sexually oriented materials", any pictorial or three-dimensional material, or film,
38 motion picture, DVD, video cassette, or similar photographic reproduction, that depicts
39 nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sadomasochistic abuse, as defined in section
40 573.010;

41 (9) "Specified criminal activity" includes the following offenses:

42 (a) Prostitution or promotion of prostitution; dissemination of obscenity; sale,
43 distribution, or display of harmful material to a minor; sexual performance by a child;
44 possession or distribution of child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025;**
45 **possession or distribution of child sexual abuse material;** public lewdness; indecent
46 exposure; indecency with a child; engaging in organized criminal activity; sexual assault;
47 molestation of a child; gambling prohibited under Missouri law; or distribution of a controlled
48 substance; or any similar offenses described in this subdivision under the criminal or penal
49 code of other states or countries;

50 (b) For which:

51 a. Less than two years have elapsed since the date of conviction or the date of release
52 from confinement imposed for the conviction, whichever is the later date, if the conviction is
53 of a misdemeanor offense;

54 b. Less than five years have elapsed since the date of conviction or the date of release
55 from confinement for the conviction, whichever is the later date, if the conviction is of a
56 felony offense; or

57 c. Less than five years have elapsed since the date of the last conviction or the date of
58 release from confinement for the last conviction, whichever is the later date, if the convictions
59 are of two or more misdemeanor offenses or combination of misdemeanor offenses occurring
60 within any twenty-four-month period;

61 (c) The fact that a conviction is being appealed shall not prevent a sexually oriented
62 business from being considered a nuisance and closed under section 67.2546;

63 (10) "Specified sexual activities" includes the following acts:

64 (a) The fondling or other erotic touching of human genitals, pubic region, buttocks,
65 anus, or female breasts;

66 (b) Sex acts, actual or simulated, including intercourse, oral copulation, masturbation,
67 or sodomy; or

68 (c) Excretory functions as part of or in connection with any of the activities set forth
69 in this subdivision.

135.621. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Contribution", a donation of cash, stock, bonds, other marketable securities, or
3 real property;

4 (2) "Department", the department of social services;

5 (3) "Diaper bank", **a national diaper bank or** a nonprofit entity located in this state
6 established and operating primarily for the purpose of collecting or purchasing disposable
7 diapers or other hygiene products for infants, children, or incontinent adults and that regularly
8 distributes such diapers or other hygiene products through two or more schools, health care
9 facilities, governmental agencies, or other nonprofit entities for eventual distribution to
10 individuals free of charge;

11 (4) **"National diaper bank", a nonprofit entity located in this state that meets the**
12 **following criteria:**

13 (a) **Collects, purchases, warehouses, and manages a community inventory of**
14 **disposable diapers or other hygiene products for infants, children, or incontinent adults;**

15 (b) **Regularly distributes a consistent and reliable supply of such diapers or**
16 **other hygiene products through two or more schools, health care facilities,**
17 **governmental agencies, or other nonprofit entities for eventual distribution to**
18 **individuals free of charge, with the intention of reducing diaper need; and**

19 (c) **Is a member of a national network organization serving all fifty states**
20 **through which certification demonstrates nonprofit best practices, data-driven program**
21 **design, and equitable distribution focused on best serving infants, children, and**
22 **incontinent adults;**

23 (5) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, excluding
24 withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265, or otherwise due under chapter
25 148 or 153;

26 [~~5~~] (6) "Taxpayer", a person, firm, partner in a firm, corporation, or shareholder in
27 an S corporation doing business in the state of Missouri and subject to the state income tax
28 imposed under chapter 143; an insurance company paying an annual tax on its gross premium

29 receipts in this state; any other financial institution paying taxes to the state of Missouri or
30 any political subdivision of this state under chapter 148; an express company that pays an
31 annual tax on its gross receipts in this state under chapter 153; an individual subject to the
32 state income tax under chapter 143; or any charitable organization that is exempt from federal
33 income tax and whose Missouri unrelated business taxable income, if any, would be subject to
34 the state income tax imposed under chapter 143.

35 2. For all fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2019, a taxpayer shall be allowed
36 to claim a tax credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability in an amount equal to fifty percent
37 of the amount of such taxpayer's contributions to a diaper bank.

38 3. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's
39 state tax liability for the tax year for which the credit is claimed, and such taxpayer shall not
40 be allowed to claim a tax credit in excess of fifty thousand dollars per tax year. However, any
41 tax credit that cannot be claimed in the tax year the contribution was made may be carried
42 over only to the next subsequent tax year. No tax credit issued under this section shall be
43 assigned, transferred, or sold.

44 4. Except for any excess credit that is carried over under subsection 3 of this section,
45 no taxpayer shall be allowed to claim a tax credit unless the taxpayer contributes at least one
46 hundred dollars to one or more diaper banks during the tax year for which the credit is
47 claimed.

48 5. The department shall determine, at least annually, which entities in this state
49 qualify as diaper banks. The department may require of an entity seeking to be classified as a
50 diaper bank any information which is reasonably necessary to make such a determination.
51 The department shall classify an entity as a diaper bank if such entity satisfies the definition
52 under subsection 1 of this section.

53 6. The department shall establish a procedure by which a taxpayer can determine if an
54 entity has been classified as a diaper bank.

55 7. Diaper banks may decline a contribution from a taxpayer.

56 8. The cumulative amount of tax credits that may be claimed by all the taxpayers
57 contributing to diaper banks in any one fiscal year shall not exceed five hundred thousand
58 dollars. Tax credits shall be issued in the order contributions are received. If the amount of
59 tax credits redeemed in a tax year is less than five hundred thousand dollars, the difference
60 shall be added to the cumulative limit created under this subsection for the next fiscal year
61 and carried over to subsequent fiscal years until claimed.

62 9. The department shall establish a procedure by which, from the beginning of the
63 fiscal year until some point in time later in the fiscal year to be determined by the department,
64 the cumulative amount of tax credits are equally apportioned among all entities classified as
65 diaper banks. If a diaper bank fails to use all, or some percentage to be determined by the

66 department, of its apportioned tax credits during this predetermined period of time, the
67 department may reapportion such unused tax credits to diaper banks that have used all, or
68 some percentage to be determined by the department, of their apportioned tax credits during
69 this predetermined period of time. The department may establish multiple periods each fiscal
70 year and reapportion accordingly. To the maximum extent possible, the department shall
71 establish the procedure described under this subsection in such a manner as to ensure that
72 taxpayers can claim as many of the tax credits as possible, up to the cumulative limit created
73 under subsection 8 of this section.

74 10. Each diaper bank shall provide information to the department concerning the
75 identity of each taxpayer making a contribution and the amount of the contribution. The
76 department shall provide the information to the department of revenue. The department shall
77 be subject to the confidentiality and penalty provisions of section 32.057 relating to the
78 disclosure of tax information.

79 11. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

80 (1) The provisions of the program authorized under this section shall automatically
81 sunset on December thirty-first six years after August 28, ~~[2018]~~ **2025**, unless reauthorized by
82 an act of the general assembly;

83 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall
84 automatically sunset on December thirty-first six years after the effective date of the
85 reauthorization of this section;

86 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately
87 following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset; and

88 (4) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way
89 impair the department's ability to issue tax credits authorized on or before the date the
90 program authorized under this section expires or a taxpayer's ability to redeem such tax
91 credits.

168.071. 1. The state board of education may refuse to issue or renew a certificate, or
2 may, upon hearing, discipline the holder of a certificate of license to teach for the following
3 causes:

4 (1) A certificate holder or applicant for a certificate has pleaded to or been found
5 guilty of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude under the laws of this state, any other
6 state, of the United States, or any other country, whether or not sentence is imposed;

7 (2) The certification was obtained through use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation
8 or bribery;

9 (3) There is evidence of incompetence, immorality, or neglect of duty by the
10 certificate holder;

11 (4) A certificate holder has been subject to disciplinary action relating to certification
12 issued by another state, territory, federal agency, or country upon grounds for which discipline
13 is authorized in this section; or

14 (5) If charges are filed by the local board of education, based upon the annulling of a
15 written contract with the local board of education, for reasons other than election to the
16 general assembly, without the consent of the majority of the members of the board that is a
17 party to the contract.

18 2. A public school district may file charges seeking the discipline of a holder of a
19 certificate of license to teach based upon any cause or combination of causes outlined in
20 subsection 1 of this section, including annulment of a written contract. Charges shall be in
21 writing, specify the basis for the charges, and be signed by the chief administrative officer of
22 the district, or by the president of the board of education as authorized by a majority of the
23 board of education. The board of education may also petition the office of the attorney
24 general to file charges on behalf of the school district for any cause other than annulment of
25 contract, with acceptance of the petition at the discretion of the attorney general.

26 3. The department of elementary and secondary education may file charges seeking
27 the discipline of a holder of a certificate of license to teach based upon any cause or
28 combination of causes outlined in subsection 1 of this section, other than annulment of
29 contract. Charges shall be in writing, specify the basis for the charges, and be signed by legal
30 counsel representing the department of elementary and secondary education.

31 4. If the underlying conduct or actions which are the basis for charges filed pursuant
32 to this section are also the subject of a pending criminal charge against the person holding
33 such certificate, the certificate holder may request, in writing, a delayed hearing on advice of
34 counsel under the fifth amendment of the Constitution of the United States. Based upon such
35 a request, no hearing shall be held until after a trial has been completed on this criminal
36 charge.

37 5. The certificate holder shall be given not less than thirty days' notice of any hearing
38 held pursuant to this section.

39 6. Other provisions of this section notwithstanding, the certificate of license to teach
40 shall be revoked or, in the case of an applicant, a certificate shall not be issued, if the
41 certificate holder or applicant has been found guilty of any of the following offenses
42 established pursuant to Missouri law or offenses of a similar nature established under the laws
43 of Missouri prior to January 1, 2017, any other state or of the United States, or any other
44 country, whether or not the sentence is imposed:

45 (1) Any dangerous felony as defined in section 556.061, or murder in the first degree
46 under section 565.020;

47 (2) Any of the following sexual offenses: rape in the first degree under section
48 566.030; forcible rape; rape; statutory rape in the first degree under section 566.032; statutory
49 rape in the second degree under section 566.034; rape in the second degree under section
50 566.031; sexual assault under section 566.040 as it existed prior to August 28, 2013; sodomy
51 in the first degree under section 566.060; forcible sodomy under section 566.060 as it existed
52 prior to August 28, 2013; sodomy as it existed prior to January 1, 1995; statutory sodomy in
53 the first degree under section 566.062; statutory sodomy in the second degree under section
54 566.064; child molestation in the first degree; child molestation in the second degree; child
55 molestation in the third degree under section 566.069; child molestation in the fourth degree
56 under section 566.071; sodomy in the second degree under section 566.061; deviate sexual
57 assault under section 566.070 as it existed prior to August 28, 2013; sexual misconduct
58 involving a child under section 566.083; sexual contact with a student under section 566.086;
59 sexual misconduct in the first degree under section 566.093; sexual misconduct in the first
60 degree under section 566.090 as it existed prior to August 28, 2013; sexual misconduct in the
61 second degree under section 566.095; sexual misconduct in the second degree under section
62 566.093 as it existed prior to August 28, 2013; sexual misconduct in the third degree under
63 section 566.095 as it existed prior to August 28, 2013; sexual abuse in the first degree under
64 section 566.100; sexual abuse under section 566.100 as it existed prior to August 28, 2013;
65 sexual abuse in the second degree under section 566.101; enticement of a child under section
66 566.151; or attempting to entice a child;

67 (3) Any of the following offenses against the family and related offenses: incest
68 under section 568.020; abandonment of child in the first degree under section 568.030;
69 abandonment of child in the second degree under section 568.032; endangering the welfare of
70 a child in the first degree under section 568.045; abuse of a child under section 568.060; child
71 used in a sexual performance; promoting sexual performance by a child; or trafficking in
72 children under section 568.175; and

73 (4) Any of the following offenses involving child pornography **as it existed prior to**
74 **August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material** and related offenses: promoting obscenity
75 in the first degree under section 573.020; promoting pornography for minors or obscenity in
76 the second degree when the penalty is enhanced to a class E felony under section 573.030;
77 promoting child pornography in the first degree under section 573.025 **as it existed prior to**
78 **August 28, 2025; promoting child sexual abuse material in the first degree under section**
79 **573.025;** promoting child pornography in the second degree under section 573.035 **as it**
80 **existed prior to August 28, 2025; promoting child sexual abuse material in the second**
81 **degree under section 573.035;** possession of child pornography under section 573.037 **as it**
82 **existed prior to August 28, 2025; possession of child sexual abuse material under section**

83 **573.037**; furnishing pornographic materials to minors under section 573.040; or coercing
84 acceptance of obscene material under section 573.065.

85 7. When a certificate holder is found guilty of any offense that would authorize the
86 state board of education to seek discipline against that holder's certificate of license to teach,
87 the local board of education or the department of elementary and secondary education shall
88 immediately provide written notice to the state board of education and the attorney general
89 regarding the finding of guilt.

90 8. The certificate holder whose certificate was revoked pursuant to subsection 6 of
91 this section may appeal such revocation to the state board of education. Notice of this appeal
92 must be received by the commissioner of education within ninety days of notice of revocation
93 pursuant to this subsection. Failure of the certificate holder to notify the commissioner of the
94 intent to appeal waives all rights to appeal the revocation. Upon notice of the certificate
95 holder's intent to appeal, an appeal hearing shall be held by a hearing officer designated by the
96 commissioner of education, with the final decision made by the state board of education,
97 based upon the record of that hearing. The certificate holder shall be given not less than thirty
98 days' notice of the hearing, and an opportunity to be heard by the hearing officer, together
99 with witnesses.

100 9. In the case of any certificate holder who has surrendered or failed to renew his or
101 her certificate of license to teach, the state board of education may refuse to issue or renew, or
102 may suspend or revoke, such certificate for any of the reasons contained in this section.

103 10. In those cases where the charges filed pursuant to this section are based upon an
104 allegation of misconduct involving a minor child, the hearing officer may accept into the
105 record the sworn testimony of the minor child relating to the misconduct received in any court
106 or administrative hearing.

107 11. Hearings, appeals or other matters involving certificate holders, licensees or
108 applicants pursuant to this section may be informally resolved by consent agreement or
109 agreed settlement or voluntary surrender of the certificate of license pursuant to the rules
110 promulgated by the state board of education.

111 12. The final decision of the state board of education is subject to judicial review
112 pursuant to sections 536.100 to 536.140.

113 13. A certificate of license to teach to an individual who has been convicted of a
114 felony or crime involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed, shall be issued
115 only upon motion of the state board of education adopted by a unanimous affirmative vote of
116 those members present and voting.

192.2405. 1. The following persons shall be required to immediately report or cause
2 a report to be made to the department under sections 192.2400 to 192.2470:

3 (1) Any person having reasonable cause to suspect that an eligible adult presents a
4 likelihood of suffering serious physical harm, or bullying as defined in subdivision (2) of
5 section 192.2400, and is in need of protective services; and

6 (2) Any adult day care worker, chiropractor, Christian Science practitioner, coroner,
7 dentist, embalmer, employee of the departments of social services, mental health, or health
8 and senior services, employee of a local area agency on aging or an organized area agency on
9 aging program, emergency medical technician, firefighter, first responder, funeral director,
10 home health agency, home health agency employee, hospital and clinic personnel engaged in
11 the care or treatment of others, in-home services owner or provider, in-home services operator
12 or employee, law enforcement officer, long-term care facility administrator or employee,
13 medical examiner, medical resident or intern, mental health professional, minister, nurse,
14 nurse practitioner, optometrist, other health practitioner, peace officer, pharmacist, physical
15 therapist, physician, physician's assistant, podiatrist, probation or parole officer, psychologist,
16 social worker, **animal control officer, animal humane investigator as defined in section**
17 **273.415**, or other person with the responsibility for the care of an eligible adult who has
18 reasonable cause to suspect that the eligible adult has been subjected to abuse or neglect or
19 observes the eligible adult being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would
20 reasonably result in abuse or neglect. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a
21 duly ordained minister, clergy, religious worker, or Christian Science practitioner while
22 functioning in his or her ministerial capacity shall not be required to report concerning a
23 privileged communication made to him or her in his or her professional capacity.

24 2. Any other person who becomes aware of circumstances that may reasonably be
25 expected to be the result of, or result in, abuse or neglect of an eligible adult may report to the
26 department.

27 3. The penalty for failing to report as required under subdivision (2) of subsection 1
28 of this section is provided under section 565.188.

29 4. As used in this section, "first responder" means any person trained and authorized
30 by law or rule to render emergency medical assistance or treatment. Such persons may
31 include, but shall not be limited to, emergency first responders, police officers, sheriffs,
32 deputy sheriffs, firefighters, or emergency medical technicians.

**192.2510. 1. All persons providing protective services to eligible adults, as such
2 terms are defined in section 192.2400, and who have direct contact with such adults,
3 shall be required to complete at least one hour of training within the first sixty days of
4 employment. The training shall include the following:**

5 **(1) Requirements to report animal abuse or neglect and the penalties associated**
6 **with failure to report under section 273.410;**

7 **(2) How to identify animal abuse or neglect;**

8 **(3) How to make a report of animal abuse or neglect; and**
9 **(4) The relationship between eligible adult abuse or neglect and animal abuse or**
10 **neglect.**

11 **2. The department of health and senior services, in consultation with animal**
12 **welfare associations, shall develop or adapt and use available training materials for the**
13 **training required under this section. Persons required to complete training under this**
14 **section shall be provided with opportunities to do so during regular working hours.**

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

16 **(1) "Animal", the same meaning as in section 578.029;**

17 **(2) "Animal welfare association", a nonprofit organization that is established to**
18 **promote animal welfare, is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as tax exempt**
19 **under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4), or the**
20 **corresponding section of any future tax code, and is registered with the secretary of state**
21 **under chapter 355.**

210.115. 1. When any physician, medical examiner, coroner, dentist, chiropractor,
2 optometrist, podiatrist, resident, intern, nurse, hospital or clinic personnel that are engaged in
3 the examination, care, treatment or research of persons, and any other health practitioner,
4 psychologist, mental health professional, social worker, day care center worker or other child-
5 care worker, juvenile officer, probation or parole officer, jail or detention center personnel,
6 teacher, principal or other school official, minister as provided by section 352.400, peace
7 officer or law enforcement official, **animal control officer, animal humane investigator as**
8 **defined in section 273.415**, volunteer or personnel of a community service program that
9 offers support services for families in crisis to assist in the delegation of any powers regarding
10 the care and custody of a child by a properly executed power of attorney pursuant to sections
11 475.600 to 475.604, or other person with responsibility for the care of children has reasonable
12 cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect or observes a
13 child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse
14 or neglect, that person shall immediately report to the division in accordance with the
15 provisions of sections 210.109 to 210.183. No internal investigation shall be initiated until
16 such a report has been made. As used in this section, the term "abuse" is not limited to abuse
17 inflicted by a person responsible for the child's care, custody and control as specified in
18 section 210.110, but shall also include abuse inflicted by any other person.

19 2. If two or more members of a medical institution who are required to report jointly
20 have knowledge of a known or suspected instance of child abuse or neglect, a single report
21 may be made by a designated member of that medical team. Any member who has
22 knowledge that the member designated to report has failed to do so shall thereafter

23 immediately make the report. Nothing in this section, however, is meant to preclude any
24 person from reporting abuse or neglect.

25 3. The reporting requirements under this section are individual, and no supervisor or
26 administrator may impede or inhibit any reporting under this section. No person making a
27 report under this section shall be subject to any sanction, including any adverse employment
28 action, for making such report. Every employer shall ensure that any employee required to
29 report pursuant to subsection 1 of this section has immediate and unrestricted access to
30 communications technology necessary to make an immediate report and is temporarily
31 relieved of other work duties for such time as is required to make any report required under
32 subsection 1 of this section.

33 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of sections 210.109 to 210.183, any child who
34 does not receive specified medical treatment by reason of the legitimate practice of the
35 religious belief of the child's parents, guardian, or others legally responsible for the child, for
36 that reason alone, shall not be found to be an abused or neglected child, and such parents,
37 guardian or other persons legally responsible for the child shall not be entered into the central
38 registry. However, the division may accept reports concerning such a child and may
39 subsequently investigate or conduct a family assessment as a result of that report. Such an
40 exception shall not limit the administrative or judicial authority of the state to ensure that
41 medical services are provided to the child when the child's health requires it.

42 5. In addition to those persons and officials required to report actual or suspected
43 abuse or neglect, any other person may report in accordance with sections 210.109 to 210.183
44 if such person has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to
45 abuse or neglect or observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which
46 would reasonably result in abuse or neglect.

47 6. Any person or official required to report pursuant to this section, including
48 employees of the division, who has probable cause to suspect that a child who is or may be
49 under the age of eighteen, who is eligible to receive a certificate of live birth, has died shall
50 report that fact to the appropriate medical examiner or coroner. If, upon review of the
51 circumstances and medical information, the medical examiner or coroner determines that the
52 child died of natural causes while under medical care for an established natural disease, the
53 coroner, medical examiner or physician shall notify the division of the child's death and that
54 the child's attending physician shall be signing the death certificate. In all other cases, the
55 medical examiner or coroner shall accept the report for investigation, shall immediately notify
56 the division of the child's death as required in section 58.452 and shall report the findings to
57 the child fatality review panel established pursuant to section 210.192.

58 7. Any person or individual required to report may also report the suspicion of abuse
59 or neglect to any law enforcement agency or juvenile office. Such report shall not, however,
60 take the place of reporting to the division.

61 8. If an individual required to report suspected instances of abuse or neglect pursuant
62 to this section has reason to believe that the victim of such abuse or neglect is a resident of
63 another state or was injured as a result of an act which occurred in another state, the person
64 required to report such abuse or neglect may, in lieu of reporting to the Missouri children's
65 division, make such a report to the child protection agency of the other state with the authority
66 to receive such reports pursuant to the laws of such other state. If such agency accepts the
67 report, no report is required to be made, but may be made, to the children's division.

68 9. For the purposes of providing supportive services or verifying the status of a youth
69 as unaccompanied or homeless for the purposes of accessing supportive services, the fact that
70 a child is an unaccompanied youth as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a(6) is not, in and of
71 itself, a sufficient basis for reporting child abuse or neglect, unless the child is under sixteen
72 years of age or is an incapacitated person, as defined in section 475.010. Nothing in this
73 subsection shall limit a mandated reporter from making a report under this section if the
74 mandated reporter knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that an unaccompanied youth has
75 been or may be a victim of abuse or neglect.

**210.191. 1. All children's division employees, and contractors for children's
2 services, who have direct contact with children through the state's child protection and
3 welfare system shall be required to complete at least one hour of training within the first
4 sixty days of employment or contract. The training shall include the following:**

5 **(1) Requirements to report animal abuse or neglect and the penalties associated
6 with failure to report under section 273.410;**

7 **(2) How to identify animal abuse or neglect;**

8 **(3) How to make a report of animal abuse or neglect; and**

9 **(4) The relationship between child abuse or neglect and animal abuse or neglect.**

10 **2. The division, in consultation with animal welfare associations, shall develop or
11 adapt and use available training materials for the training required under this section.
12 Persons required to complete training under this section shall be provided with
13 opportunities to do so during regular working hours.**

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

15 **(1) "Animal", the same meaning as in section 578.029;**

16 **(2) "Animal welfare association", the same meaning as in section 192.2510.**

210.950. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Safe Place for
2 Newborns Act of 2002". The purpose of this section is to protect newborn children from

3 injury and death caused by abandonment by a parent, and to provide safe and secure
4 alternatives to such abandonment.

5 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

6 (1) "Hospital", as defined in section 197.020;

7 (2) "Maternity home", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 135.600;

8 (3) "Newborn safety incubator", a medical device used to maintain an optimal
9 environment for the care of a newborn infant;

10 (4) "Nonrelinquishing parent", the biological parent who does not leave a newborn
11 infant in a newborn safety incubator or with any person listed in subsection 3 of this section in
12 accordance with this section;

13 (5) "Pregnancy resource center", the same meaning as such term is defined in section
14 135.630;

15 (6) "Relinquishing parent", the biological parent or person acting on such parent's
16 behalf who leaves a newborn infant in a newborn safety incubator or with any person listed in
17 subsection 3 of this section in accordance with this section.

18 3. A parent shall not be prosecuted for a violation of section 568.030, 568.032,
19 568.045 or 568.050 for actions related to the voluntary relinquishment of a child up to [~~forty-~~
20 ~~five~~] **ninety** days old pursuant to this section if:

21 (1) Expressing intent not to return for the child, the parent voluntarily delivered the
22 child safely to a newborn safety incubator or to the physical custody of any of the following
23 persons:

24 (a) An employee, agent, or member of the staff of any hospital, maternity home, or
25 pregnancy resource center in a health care provider position or on duty in a nonmedical paid
26 or volunteer position;

27 (b) A firefighter or emergency medical technician on duty in a paid position or on
28 duty in a volunteer position; or

29 (c) A law enforcement officer;

30 (2) The child was no more than [~~forty-five~~] **ninety** days old when delivered by the
31 parent to the newborn safety incubator or to any person listed in subdivision (1) of this
32 subsection; and

33 (3) The child has not been abused or neglected by the parent prior to such voluntary
34 delivery.

35 4. A parent voluntarily relinquishing a child under this section shall not be required to
36 provide any identifying information about the child or the parent. No person shall induce or
37 coerce, or attempt to induce or coerce, a parent into revealing his or her identity. No officer,
38 employee, or agent of this state or any political subdivision of this state shall attempt to locate

39 or determine the identity of such parent. In addition, any person who obtains information on
40 the relinquishing parent shall not disclose such information except to the following:

41 (1) A birth parent who has waived anonymity or the child's adoptive parent;

42 (2) The staff of the department of health and senior services, the department of social
43 services, or any county health or social services agency or licensed child welfare agency that
44 provides services to the child;

45 (3) A person performing juvenile court intake or dispositional services;

46 (4) The attending physician;

47 (5) The child's foster parent or any other person who has physical custody of the
48 child;

49 (6) A juvenile court or other court of competent jurisdiction conducting proceedings
50 relating to the child;

51 (7) The attorney representing the interests of the public in proceedings relating to the
52 child; and

53 (8) The attorney representing the interests of the child.

54 5. A person listed in subdivision (1) of subsection 3 of this section shall, without a
55 court order, take physical custody of a child the person reasonably believes to be no more than
56 ~~forty-five~~ **ninety** days old and is delivered in accordance with this section by a person
57 purporting to be the child's parent or is delivered in accordance with this section to a newborn
58 safety incubator. If delivery of a newborn is made pursuant to this section in any place other
59 than a hospital, the person taking physical custody of the child shall arrange for the immediate
60 transportation of the child to the nearest hospital licensed pursuant to chapter 197.

61 6. The hospital, its employees, agents and medical staff shall perform treatment in
62 accordance with the prevailing standard of care as necessary to protect the physical health or
63 safety of the child. The hospital shall notify the children's division and the local juvenile
64 officer upon receipt of a child pursuant to this section. The local juvenile officer shall
65 immediately begin protective custody proceedings and request the child be made a ward of
66 the court during the child's stay in the medical facility. Upon discharge of the child from the
67 medical facility and pursuant to a protective custody order ordering custody of the child to the
68 division, the children's division shall take physical custody of the child. The parent's
69 voluntary delivery of the child in accordance with this section shall constitute the parent's
70 implied consent to any such act and a voluntary relinquishment of such parent's parental
71 rights.

72 7. In any termination of parental rights proceeding initiated after the relinquishment
73 of a child pursuant to this section, the juvenile officer shall make public notice that a child has
74 been relinquished, including the sex of the child, and the date and location of such
75 relinquishment. Within thirty days of such public notice, the parent wishing to establish

76 parental rights shall identify himself or herself to the court and state his or her intentions
77 regarding the child. The court shall initiate proceedings to establish paternity, or if no person
78 identifies himself as the father within thirty days, maternity. The juvenile officer shall make
79 examination of the putative father registry established in section 192.016 to determine
80 whether attempts have previously been made to preserve parental rights to the child. If such
81 attempts have been made, the juvenile officer shall make reasonable efforts to provide notice
82 of the abandonment of the child to such putative father.

83 8. (1) If a relinquishing parent of a child relinquishes custody of the child to a
84 newborn safety incubator or to any person listed in subsection 3 of this section in accordance
85 with this section and to preserve the parental rights of the nonrelinquishing parent, the
86 nonrelinquishing parent shall take such steps necessary to establish parentage within thirty
87 days after the public notice or specific notice provided in subsection 7 of this section.

88 (2) If either parent fails to take steps to establish parentage within the thirty-day
89 period specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection, either parent may have all of his or her
90 rights terminated with respect to the child.

91 (3) When either parent inquires at a hospital regarding a child whose custody was
92 relinquished pursuant to this section, such facility shall refer such parent to the children's
93 division and the juvenile court exercising jurisdiction over the child.

94 9. The persons listed in subdivision (1) of subsection 3 of this section shall be
95 immune from civil, criminal, and administrative liability for accepting physical custody of a
96 child pursuant to this section if such persons accept custody in good faith. Such immunity
97 shall not extend to any acts or omissions, including negligent or intentional acts or omissions,
98 occurring after the acceptance of such child.

99 10. The children's division shall:

100 (1) Provide information and answer questions about the process established by this
101 section on the statewide, toll-free telephone number maintained pursuant to section 210.145;

102 (2) Provide information to the public by way of pamphlets, brochures, or by other
103 ways to deliver information about the process established by this section.

104 11. It shall be an affirmative defense to prosecution for a violation of sections
105 568.030, 568.032, 568.045, and 568.050 that a parent who is a defendant voluntarily
106 relinquished a child no more than one year old under this section.

107 12. Nothing in this section shall be construed as conflicting with section 210.125.

108 13. **(1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Safe Place for**
109 **Newborns Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated by the general assembly**
110 **from general revenue and any gifts, bequests, or donations. The state treasurer shall be**
111 **custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer**
112 **may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon**

113 **appropriation, moneys in this fund shall be used solely for the installation of newborn**
114 **safety incubators.**

115 **(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys**
116 **remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the**
117 **general revenue fund.**

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

121 **14. The state of Missouri shall provide matching moneys from the general**
122 **revenue fund for the installation of newborn safety incubators. The total amount**
123 **available to the fund from state sources under such a match program shall be up to ten**
124 **thousand dollars for each newborn safety incubator installed.**

125 **15.** The director of the department of health and senior services may promulgate all
126 necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section, including rules
127 governing the specifications, installation, maintenance, and oversight of newborn safety
128 incubators. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is
129 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies
130 with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028.
131 This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the
132 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to
133 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
134 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2021, shall be invalid
135 and void.

210.1080. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Child care provider", a person licensed, regulated, or registered to provide child
3 care within the state of Missouri, including the member or members, manager or managers,
4 shareholder or shareholders, director or directors, and officer or officers of any entity
5 licensed, regulated, or registered to provide child care within the state of Missouri;

6 (2) "Child care staff member", a child care provider; persons employed by the child
7 care provider for compensation, including contract employees or self-employed individuals;
8 individuals or volunteers whose activities involve the care or supervision of children for a
9 child care provider or unsupervised access to children who are cared for or supervised by a
10 child care provider; individuals residing in a home where child care is provided who are
11 eighteen years of age or older; or individuals residing in a home where child care is provided
12 who are under eighteen years of age and have been certified as an adult for the commission of
13 an offense;

14 (3) "Criminal background check":

- 15 (a) A Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint check;
- 16 (b) A search of the National Crime Information Center's National Sex Offender
17 Registry; and
- 18 (c) A search of the following registries, repositories, or databases in Missouri, the
19 state where the child care staff member resides, and each state where such staff member
20 resided during the preceding five years:
- 21 a. The state criminal registry or repository, with the use of fingerprints being required
22 in the state where the staff member resides and optional in other states;
- 23 b. The state sex offender registry or repository; and
- 24 c. The state-based child abuse and neglect registry and database;
- 25 (4) "Department", the department of elementary and secondary education;
- 26 (5) "Qualifying result" or "qualifying criminal background check", a finding that a
27 child care staff member or prospective child care staff member is eligible for employment or
28 presence in a child care setting described under this section.
- 29 2. (1) Prior to the employment or presence of a child care staff member in a licensed,
30 license-exempt, or unlicensed registered child care facility, the child care provider shall
31 request the results of a criminal background check for such child care staff member from the
32 department.
- 33 (2) A prospective child care staff member may begin work for a child care provider
34 after receiving the qualifying result of either a Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint
35 check or a search of the Missouri criminal registry or repository with the use of fingerprints;
36 however, pending completion of the criminal background check, the prospective child care
37 staff member shall be supervised at all times by another child care staff member who received
38 a qualifying result on the criminal background check within the past five years.
- 39 (3) Any individual who meets the definition of child care provider but is not
40 responsible for the oversight or direction of the child care facility and does not have
41 independent access to the child care facility shall not be required to request the results of a
42 criminal background check under this section; however, such individual shall be accompanied
43 by an individual with a qualifying criminal background check in order to be present at the
44 child care facility during child care hours.
- 45 3. The costs of the criminal background check shall be the responsibility of the child
46 care staff member, but may be paid or reimbursed by the child care provider at the provider's
47 discretion. The fees charged for the criminal background check shall not exceed the actual
48 cost of processing and administration.
- 49 4. Upon completion of the criminal background check, any child care staff member or
50 prospective child care staff member shall be ineligible for employment or presence at a
51 licensed or license-exempt child care facility or an unlicensed child care facility registered

52 with the department and shall be disqualified from receipt of state or federal funds for
53 providing child care services either by direct payment or through reimbursement to an
54 individual who receives child care benefits if such person:

55 (1) Refuses to consent to the criminal background check as required by this section;

56 (2) Knowingly makes a materially false statement in connection with the criminal
57 background check as required by this section;

58 (3) Is registered, or is required to be registered, on a state sex offender registry or
59 repository or the National Sex Offender Registry;

60 (4) Is listed as a perpetrator of child abuse or neglect under sections 210.109 to
61 210.183 or any other finding of child abuse or neglect based on any other state's registry or
62 database; or

63 (5) Has pled guilty or nolo contendere to or been found guilty of:

64 (a) Any felony for an offense against the person as defined in chapter 565;

65 (b) Any other offense against the person involving the endangerment of a child as
66 prescribed by law;

67 (c) Any misdemeanor or felony for a sexual offense as defined in chapter 566;

68 (d) Any misdemeanor or felony for an offense against the family as defined in chapter
69 568;

70 (e) Burglary in the first degree as defined in 569.160;

71 (f) Any misdemeanor or felony for robbery as defined in chapter 570;

72 (g) Any misdemeanor or felony for pornography or related offense as defined in
73 chapter 573;

74 (h) Any felony for arson as defined in chapter 569;

75 (i) Any felony for armed criminal action as defined in section 571.015, unlawful use
76 of a weapon as defined in section 571.030, unlawful possession of a firearm as defined in
77 section 571.070, or the unlawful possession of an explosive as defined in section 571.072;

78 (j) Any felony for making a terrorist threat as defined in section 574.115, 574.120, or
79 574.125;

80 (k) A felony drug-related offense committed during the preceding five years; or

81 (l) Any similar offense in any federal, state, municipal, or other court of similar
82 jurisdiction of which the department has knowledge.

83 5. Household members eighteen years of age or older, or household members under
84 eighteen years of age who have been certified as an adult for the commission of an offense,
85 shall be ineligible to maintain a presence at a home where child care is provided during child
86 care hours if any one or more of the provisions of subsection 4 of this section apply to such
87 members.

88 6. A child care provider may also be disqualified from receipt of state or federal funds
89 for providing child care services either by direct payment or through reimbursement to an
90 individual who receives child care benefits if such person, or any person eighteen years of age
91 or older residing in the household in which child care is being provided, excluding child care
92 provided in the child's home, has been refused licensure or has experienced licensure
93 suspension or revocation under section 210.221 or 210.496.

94 7. A child care provider shall not be required to submit a request for a criminal
95 background check under this section for a child care staff member if:

96 (1) The staff member received a qualifying criminal background check within five
97 years before the latest date on which such a submission may be made and while employed by
98 or seeking employment by another child care provider within Missouri;

99 (2) The departments of elementary and secondary education, health and senior
100 services, or ~~of~~ social services provided to the first provider a qualifying criminal
101 background check result, consistent with this section, for the staff member; and

102 (3) The staff member is employed by a child care provider within Missouri or has
103 been separated from employment from a child care provider within Missouri for a period of
104 not more than one hundred eighty consecutive days.

105 8. (1) The department shall process the request for a criminal background check for
106 any prospective child care staff member or child care staff member as expeditiously as
107 possible, but not to exceed forty-five days after the date on which the provider submitted the
108 request.

109 (2) The department shall provide the results of the criminal background check to the
110 child care provider in a statement that indicates whether the prospective child care staff
111 member or child care staff member is eligible or ineligible for employment or presence at the
112 child care facility or receipt of state or federal funds for providing child care services either by
113 direct payment or through reimbursement to an individual who receives child care benefits.
114 The department shall not reveal to the child care provider any disqualifying crime or other
115 related information regarding the prospective child care staff member or child care staff
116 member.

117 (3) If such prospective child care staff member or child care staff member is ineligible
118 for employment or presence at the child care facility, the department shall, when providing
119 the results of criminal background check, include information related to each disqualifying
120 crime or other related information, in a report to such prospective child care staff member or
121 child care staff member, along with information regarding the opportunity to appeal under
122 subsection 9 of this section.

123 (4) If a prospective child care provider or child care provider has been denied state or
124 federal funds by the department for providing child care, he or she may appeal such denial to
125 the department pursuant to section 210.027.

126 9. (1) The prospective child care staff member or child care staff member may appeal
127 a finding of ineligibility for employment or presence at a child care facility in writing to the
128 department to challenge the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in his or
129 her criminal background check if his or her finding of ineligibility is based on one or more of
130 the following offenses:

131 (a) Murder, as described in 18 U.S.C. Section 1111;

132 (b) Felony child abuse or neglect;

133 (c) A felony crime against children, including child pornography **as it existed prior**
134 **to August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material;**

135 (d) Felony spousal abuse;

136 (e) A felony crime involving rape or sexual assault;

137 (f) Felony kidnapping;

138 (g) Felony arson;

139 (h) Felony physical assault or battery;

140 (i) A violent misdemeanor offense committed as an adult against a child, including
141 the offense of child abuse, child endangerment, or sexual assault, or a misdemeanor offense
142 involving child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse**
143 **material;** or

144 (j) Any similar offense in any federal, state, municipal, or other court.

145 (2) If a finding of ineligibility is based on an offense not provided for in subdivision
146 (1) of this subsection, the prospective child care staff member or child care staff member may
147 appeal to challenge the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in his or her
148 criminal background check or to offer information mitigating the results and explaining why
149 an eligibility exception should be granted.

150 (3) The written appeal shall be filed with the department within ten days from the
151 mailing of the notice of ineligibility. The department shall attempt to verify the accuracy of
152 the information challenged by the individual, including making an effort to locate any missing
153 disposition information related to the disqualifying offense. After the department verifies the
154 accuracy of the information challenged by the individual, the department shall make a final
155 decision on the written appeal, and such decision shall be made in a timely manner. Such
156 decision shall be considered a noncontested final agency decision by the department,
157 appealable under section 536.150. Such decision shall be appealed within thirty days of the
158 mailing of the decision.

159 10. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the department from requiring more frequent
160 checks of the family care safety registry established under section 210.903 or the central
161 registry for child abuse established under section 210.109 in order to determine eligibility for
162 employment or presence at the child care facility or receipt of state or federal funds for
163 providing child care services either by direct payment or through reimbursement to an
164 individual who receives child care benefits.

165 11. The department may adopt emergency rules to implement the requirements of this
166 section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is
167 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies
168 with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028.
169 This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the
170 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to
171 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
172 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2018, shall be invalid
173 and void.

174 12. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any child care facility, as defined
175 in section 210.201, maintained or operated under the exclusive control of a religious
176 organization, as described in subdivision (17) of subsection 1 of section 210.211, unless such
177 facility is a recipient of federal funds for providing care for children, except for federal funds
178 for those programs that meet the requirements for participation in the Child and Adult Care
179 Food Program under 42 U.S.C. Section 1766.

210.1505. 1. There is hereby created the "Statewide Council [~~on Sex~~] **Against Adult**
2 **Trafficking and the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children**" [~~to~~] **within the office of**
3 **the attorney general to make recommendations for a coordinated statewide effort**
4 **against the trafficking of adults and children within the state of Missouri. The council**
5 **shall** consist of the following members:

6 (1) The following four members of the general assembly:

7 (a) Two members of the senate, with one member to be appointed by the president pro
8 tempore of the senate and one member to be appointed by the minority floor leader of the
9 senate; and

10 (b) Two members of the house of representatives, with one member to be appointed
11 by the speaker of the house of representatives and one member to be appointed by the
12 minority floor leader of the house of representatives;

13 (2) The director of the children's division or his or her designee **who is involved in**
14 **anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or experience in human trafficking**
15 **investigations;**

16 (3) The director of the department of public safety or his or her designee **who is**
17 **involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or experience in human**
18 **trafficking investigations;**

19 (4) The director of the department of mental health or his or her designee **who is**
20 **involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or experience in human**
21 **trafficking investigations;**

22 (5) The director of the office of prosecution services or his or her designee **who is**
23 **involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or experience in human**
24 **trafficking investigations;**

25 (6) The superintendent of the Missouri state highway patrol or his or her designee
26 **who is involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or experience in**
27 **human trafficking investigations;**

28 (7) The executive director of the statewide network of child advocacy organizations
29 [~~specializing in the prevention of child abuse or neglect~~] or his or her designee **who is**
30 **involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or experience in human**
31 **trafficking investigations;**

32 (8) The executive director of the statewide coalition against domestic and sexual
33 violence or his or her designee **who is involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has**
34 **knowledge or experience in human trafficking investigations;**

35 (9) The executive director of the Missouri Juvenile Justice Association or his or her
36 designee **who is involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or**
37 **experience in human trafficking investigations;**

38 (10) The director of the attorney general's human trafficking task force or his or her
39 designee **who is involved in anti-human trafficking efforts or has knowledge or**
40 **experience in human trafficking investigations;**

41 [~~Two representatives from agencies providing services to victims of child sex~~
42 ~~trafficking and sexual exploitation who reflect the geographic diversity of the state and who~~
43 ~~shall be appointed by the director of the department of social services; and]~~

44 **A member of the Missouri Hospital Association with experience and knowledge of human trafficking;**

45 (12) A member of the judiciary **with experience in juvenile court**, who shall be
46 appointed by the **Missouri** supreme court;

47 (13) **The commissioner of the department of elementary and secondary**
48 **education or his or her designee;**

49 (14) **A designee from the governor's office;**

50 (15) **A member of the Missouri Sheriffs' Association or a member of the**
51 **Missouri Police Chiefs Association; and**

52 **(16) Any other nongovernment organization deemed necessary by the attorney**
53 **general.**

54 2. A majority of the members of the council shall constitute a quorum. The council
55 shall **be created within thirty days of August 28, 2025, and shall** hold its first meeting
56 within thirty days after the council's creation [~~and organize by selecting a chair and a vice~~
57 ~~chair~~]. The council shall meet at [~~the call of the chair~~] **least quarterly. The council may**
58 **create a subgroup to offer recommendations on specific issues as deemed necessary.**

59 3. [~~The council shall:~~

60 (1) ~~Collect and analyze data relating to sex trafficking and sexual exploitation of~~
61 ~~children, including the number of reports made to the children's division under section~~
62 ~~210.115, any information obtained from phone calls to the national sex trafficking hotline, the~~
63 ~~number of reports made to law enforcement, arrests, prosecution rates, and any other data~~
64 ~~important for any recommendations of the council. State departments and council members~~
65 ~~shall provide relevant data as requested by the council to fulfill the council's duties; and~~

66 (2) ~~Collect feedback from stakeholders, practitioners, and leadership throughout the~~
67 ~~state in order to develop best practices and procedures regarding the response to sex~~
68 ~~trafficking and sexual exploitation of children, including identification and assessment of~~
69 ~~victims; response and treatment coordination and collaboration across systems; trauma-~~
70 ~~informed, culturally competent victim-centered services; training for professionals in all~~
71 ~~systems; and investigating and prosecuting perpetrators.~~

72 4.] **There shall be an executive director who shall be appointed by the attorney**
73 **general who shall fix his or her compensation and provide for such other administrative**
74 **personnel as necessary within the limits of appropriations provided in subsection 4 of**
75 **this section. The executive director shall serve under the supervision of the [department**
76 ~~of social services]~~ **attorney general, who shall provide administrative support [to the**
77 ~~council]~~ **and necessary office space.**

78 [5.] 4. [~~On or before December 31, 2023, the council shall submit a report of the~~
79 ~~council's activities to the governor and general assembly and the joint committee on child~~
80 ~~abuse and neglect under section 21.771. The report shall include recommendations for~~
81 ~~priority needs and actions, including statutory or regulatory changes relating to the response~~
82 ~~to sex trafficking and sexual exploitation of children and services for child victims.~~

83 6. ~~The council shall expire on December 31, 2023.]~~ (1) **There is hereby created in**
84 **the state treasury the "Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children Education and**
85 **Awareness Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated to it by the general**
86 **assembly, any proceeds as provided under subsection 2 of section 566.218, and any**
87 **grants, gifts, donations, and bequests. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund.**
88 **In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer shall approve**

89 disbursements as required by the attorney general. The fund shall be a dedicated fund
90 and, upon appropriation, moneys in this fund shall be used to pay for the position of the
91 executive director and for administrative support of the statewide council against adult
92 trafficking and the commercial exploitation of children, education and awareness
93 regarding human trafficking, and anti-trafficking efforts throughout the state of
94 Missouri.

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

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

273.361. 1. Except as provided in subsection 2 of this section, the sole method of
2 inducing the death of a dog or a cat in an animal control agency, animal shelter, or
3 pound, as such terms are defined in section 273.325, shall be the injection of sodium
4 pentobarbital or a derivative thereof. The use of any other method to induce the death
5 of a dog or a cat including, but not limited to, the use of nonanesthetic inhalants such as
6 carbon monoxide or carbon dioxide gas, a decompression chamber, electrocution,
7 gunshot, blunt force trauma, or injection of a neuromuscular blocking agent, shall be an
8 offense as provided in section 273.347.

9 2. Notwithstanding any provision of subsection 1 of this section to the contrary,
10 any substance that is clinically proven to be as humane as sodium pentobarbital and
11 that has been officially recognized as such by the American Veterinary Medical
12 Association may be used in lieu of sodium pentobarbital to induce the death of a dog or
13 a cat if the director has determined that there is a shortage of sodium pentobarbital.
14 Any such determination made by the director shall be valid for a one-year period
15 beginning on the date such determination was made.

16 3. Neither a chamber that uses commercially bottled carbon monoxide gas or
17 other lethal gas nor a chamber that causes a change in body oxygen by means of altering
18 atmospheric pressure or that is connected to an internal combustion engine and uses the
19 engine exhaust for inducing the death of a dog or a cat shall be lawful.

273.410. 1. When any psychologist, mental health professional, social worker,
2 school counselor, teacher, or other school professional, or juvenile officer, law
3 enforcement or peace officer, probation or parole officer, home health aide, adult or
4 child protective services worker, or volunteer or personnel of a community service
5 program that offers support or advocacy services for children in foster care has
6 reasonable cause to suspect that an animal has been or may be subjected to abuse or

7 neglect or observes an animal being subjected to conditions or circumstances that would
8 reasonably result in abuse or neglect, that person shall make a report to the hotline
9 established and operated by the Missouri Animal Control Association (MACA) within
10 one day.

11 2. The hotline worker shall request all of the following information for the
12 report:

13 (1) The name and description of the animal involved, if known;

14 (2) The address and telephone number of the owner or other person responsible
15 for the care of the animal, if known;

16 (3) The nature and extent of the suspected abuse or neglect; and

17 (4) Any other information that the person making the report believes may be
18 useful in establishing the existence of the suspected abuse or neglect or the identity of the
19 person causing the abuse or neglect.

20 3. Upon receiving a report of suspected abuse or neglect, MACA shall provide
21 the report to any duly-authorized law enforcement official, county or municipal animal
22 control officer, or any Missouri peace officer standards and training (POST)-certified or
23 MACA-certified animal cruelty investigator.

24 4. Any person required to report animal abuse or neglect under this section shall
25 be immune from civil and criminal liability in connection with making any required
26 reports if the person acted in good faith when making such report.

27 5. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any information
28 identifying a person who reports suspected animal abuse or neglect under this section
29 shall be confidential and shall not be deemed a public record and shall not be subject to
30 the provisions of section 109.180 or chapter 610.

31 6. No person required to make a report of animal abuse or neglect under this
32 section shall knowingly make a false report. The penalty for making a false report and
33 the defenses to prosecution shall be the same as under section 575.080.

34 7. If an agency or political subdivision of the state determines that an employee
35 who is a mandated reporter under this section has failed to make a report as required by
36 this section, the agency or political subdivision shall issue a written notice to such
37 employee that shall include a finding of facts in support of the failure to make a report
38 and an explanation of the reporting requirement. Such notice shall not be retained in a
39 permanent employment file and shall be retained in a separate file or database
40 maintained by the agency or political subdivision. Such notice shall be considered a
41 closed record under the provisions of chapter 610.

42 **8. Any person required to make a report under this section who is subject to**
43 **professional licensure and who fails to make a report as required by this section shall be**
44 **subject to discipline by his or her respective licensing board as follows:**

45 **(1) For the first instance of a failure to report, the licensing board shall issue a**
46 **written notice to such employee that shall include a finding of facts in support of the**
47 **failure to make a report and an explanation of the reporting requirement;**

48 **(2) For a second instance of a failure to report, the licensing board shall impose a**
49 **fine of one hundred dollars;**

50 **(3) For a third and each subsequent instance of a failure to report, the licensing**
51 **board shall impose a fine of five hundred dollars.**

52 **9. As used in this section, the term "animal" shall have the same meaning as in**
53 **section 578.029.**

273.415. 1. All persons employed or serving as animal control officers or animal
2 **humane investigators who have direct contact with animals shall be required to**
3 **complete at least one hour of training within the first sixty days of employment. The**
4 **training shall include the following:**

5 **(1) Requirements to report child abuse or neglect under section 210.115 or**
6 **eligible person abuse or neglect under section 192.2405 and the penalties associated with**
7 **failure to report such abuse or neglect;**

8 **(2) How to identify child or eligible person abuse or neglect;**

9 **(3) How to make a report of child or eligible person abuse or neglect; and**

10 **(4) The relationship between child, eligible adult, and animal abuse or neglect.**

11 **2. The children's division and the department of health and senior services, in**
12 **consultation with animal welfare associations, shall develop or adapt and use available**
13 **training materials for the training required under this section. Persons required to**
14 **complete training under this section shall be provided with opportunities to do so during**
15 **regular working hours.**

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

17 **(1) "Animal", the same meaning as in section 578.029;**

18 **(2) "Animal humane investigator", a duly-authorized county or municipal**
19 **animal control officer or any Missouri peace officer standards and training (POST)-**
20 **certified or Missouri Animal Control Association (MACA)-certified animal cruelty**
21 **investigator;**

22 **(3) "Animal welfare association", the same meaning as in section 192.2510.**

324.012. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Fresh Start Act of
2 **2020".**

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

4 (1) "Criminal conviction", any conviction, finding of guilt, plea of guilty, or plea of
5 nolo contendere;

6 (2) "Licensing", any required training, education, or fee to work in a specific
7 occupation, profession, or activity in the state;

8 (3) "Licensing authority", an agency, examining board, credentialing board, or other
9 office of the state with the authority to impose occupational fees or licensing requirements on
10 any profession. For purposes of the provisions of this section other than subsection 7 of this
11 section, the term "licensing authority" shall not include the state board of education's
12 licensure of teachers pursuant to chapter 168, the Missouri state board of accountant's
13 licensure of accountants pursuant to chapter 326, the board of podiatric medicine's licensure
14 of podiatrists pursuant to chapter 330, the Missouri dental board's licensure of dentists
15 pursuant to chapter 332, the state board of registration for the healing art's licensure of
16 physicians and surgeons pursuant to chapter 334, the Missouri state board of nursing's
17 licensure of nurses pursuant to chapter 335, the board of pharmacy's licensure of pharmacists
18 pursuant to chapter 338, the Missouri real estate commission's licensure of real estate brokers,
19 real estate salespersons, or real estate broker-salespersons pursuant to sections 339.010 to
20 339.205, the Missouri veterinary medical board's licensure of veterinarian's pursuant to
21 chapter 340, the Missouri director of finance appointed pursuant to chapter 361, or the peace
22 officer standards and training commission's licensure of peace officers or other law
23 enforcement personnel pursuant to chapter 590;

24 (4) "Political subdivision", a city, town, village, municipality, or county.

25 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning January 1, 2021, no person
26 shall be disqualified by a state licensing authority from pursuing, practicing, or engaging in
27 any occupation for which a license is required solely or in part because of a prior conviction
28 of a crime in this state or another state, unless the criminal conviction directly relates to the
29 duties and responsibilities for the licensed occupation as set forth in this section or is violent
30 or sexual in nature.

31 4. Beginning August 28, 2020, applicants for examination of licensure who have
32 pleaded guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the
33 following offenses or offenses of a similar nature established under the laws of this state, any
34 other state, United States, or any other country, notwithstanding whether sentence is imposed,
35 shall be considered by state licensing authorities to have committed a criminal offense that
36 directly relates to the duties and responsibilities of a licensed profession:

37 (1) Any murder in the first degree, or dangerous felony as defined under section
38 556.061 excluding an intoxication-related traffic offense or intoxication-related boating
39 offense if the person is found to be a habitual offender or habitual boating offender as such
40 terms are defined in section 577.001;

41 (2) Any of the following sexual offenses: rape in the first degree, forcible rape, rape,
42 statutory rape in the first degree, statutory rape in the second degree, rape in the second
43 degree, sexual assault, sodomy in the first degree, forcible sodomy, statutory sodomy in the
44 first degree, statutory sodomy in the second degree, child molestation in the first degree, child
45 molestation in the second degree, sodomy in the second degree, deviate sexual assault, sexual
46 misconduct involving a child, sexual misconduct in the first degree under section 566.090 as
47 it existed prior to August 28, 2013, sexual abuse under section 566.100 as it existed prior to
48 August 28, 2013, sexual abuse in the first or second degree, enticement of a child, or
49 attempting to entice a child;

50 (3) Any of the following offenses against the family and related offenses: incest,
51 abandonment of a child in the first degree, abandonment of a child in the second degree,
52 endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree, abuse of a child, using a child in a
53 sexual performance, promoting sexual performance by a child, or trafficking in children; and

54 (4) Any of the following offenses involving child pornography **as it existed prior to**
55 **August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material** and related offenses: promoting obscenity
56 in the first degree, promoting obscenity in the second degree when the penalty is enhanced to
57 a class E felony, promoting child pornography in the first degree **as it existed prior to**
58 **August 28, 2025, promoting child sexual abuse material in the first degree**, promoting
59 child pornography in the second degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, promoting**
60 **child sexual abuse material in the second degree**, possession of child pornography in the
61 first degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, possession of child sexual abuse**
62 **material in the first degree**, possession of child pornography in the second degree **as it**
63 **existed prior to August 28, 2025, possession of child sexual abuse material in the second**
64 **degree**, furnishing child pornography to a minor **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025,**
65 **furnishing child sexual abuse material to a minor**, furnishing pornographic materials to
66 minors, or coercing acceptance of obscene material;

67 (5) The offense of delivery of a controlled substance, as provided in section 579.020,
68 may be a disqualifying criminal offense for the following occupations: real estate appraisers
69 and appraisal management companies, licensed pursuant to sections 339.500 to 339.549; and
70 nursing home administrators, licensed pursuant to chapter 344; and

71 (6) Any offense an essential element of which is fraud may be a disqualifying
72 criminal offense for the following occupations: private investigators, licensed pursuant to
73 sections 324.1100 to 324.1148; accountants, licensed pursuant to chapter 326; architects,
74 licensed pursuant to sections 327.091 to 327.172; engineers, licensed pursuant to sections
75 327.181 to 327.271; land surveyors, licensed pursuant to sections 327.272 to 327.371;
76 landscape architects, licensed pursuant to sections 327.600 to 327.635; chiropractors, licensed
77 pursuant to chapter 331; embalmers and funeral directors, licensed pursuant to chapter 333;

78 real estate appraisers and appraisal management companies, licensed pursuant to sections
79 339.500 to 339.549; and nursing home administrators, licensed pursuant to chapter 344.

80 5. If an individual is charged with any of the crimes set forth in subsection 4 of this
81 section, and is convicted, pleads guilty to, or is found guilty of a lesser-included offense and
82 is sentenced to a period of incarceration, such conviction shall only be considered by state
83 licensing authorities as a criminal offense that directly relates to the duties and responsibilities
84 of a licensed profession for four years, beginning on the date such individual is released from
85 incarceration.

86 6. (1) The licensing authority shall determine whether an applicant with a criminal
87 conviction will be denied a license based on the following factors:

88 (a) The nature and seriousness of the crime for which the individual was convicted;

89 (b) The passage of time since the commission of the crime, including consideration of
90 the factors listed under subdivision (2) of this subsection;

91 (c) The relationship of the crime to the ability, capacity, and fitness required to
92 perform the duties and discharge the responsibilities of the occupation; and

93 (d) Any evidence of rehabilitation or treatment undertaken by the individual that
94 might mitigate against a direct relation.

95 (2) If an individual has a valid criminal conviction for a criminal offense that could
96 disqualify the individual from receiving a license, the disqualification shall not apply to an
97 individual who has been exonerated for a crime for which he or she has previously been
98 convicted of or incarcerated.

99 7. An individual with a criminal record may petition a licensing authority at any time
100 for a determination of whether the individual's criminal record will disqualify the individual
101 from obtaining a license. This petition shall include details on the individual's criminal
102 record. The licensing authority shall inform the individual of his or her standing within thirty
103 days after the licensing authority has met, but in no event more than four months after
104 receiving the petition from the applicant. The decision shall be binding, unless the individual
105 has subsequent criminal convictions or failed to disclose information in his or her petition. If
106 the decision is that the individual is disqualified, the individual shall be notified in writing of
107 the grounds and reasons for disqualification. The licensing authority may charge a fee by rule
108 to recoup its costs as set by rulemaking authority not to exceed twenty-five dollars for each
109 petition.

110 8. (1) If a licensing authority denies an individual a license solely or in part because
111 of the individual's prior conviction of a crime, the licensing authority shall notify the
112 individual in writing of the following:

113 (a) The grounds and reasons for the denial or disqualification;

114 (b) That the individual has the right to a hearing as provided by chapter 621 to
115 challenge the licensing authority's decision;

116 (c) The earliest date the person may reapply for a license; and

117 (d) That evidence of rehabilitation may be considered upon reapplication.

118 (2) Any written determination by the licensing authority that an applicant's criminal
119 conviction is a specifically listed disqualifying conviction and is directly related to the duties
120 and responsibilities for the licensed occupation shall be documented with written findings for
121 each of the grounds or reasons under paragraph (a) of subdivision (1) of this subsection by
122 clear and convincing evidence sufficient for a reviewing court.

123 (3) In any administrative hearing or civil litigation authorized under this subsection,
124 the licensing authority shall carry the burden of proof on the question of whether the
125 applicant's criminal conviction directly relates to the occupation for which the license is
126 sought.

127 9. The provisions of this section shall apply to any profession for which an
128 occupational license is issued in this state, including any new occupational license created by
129 a state licensing authority after August 28, 2020. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
130 political subdivisions shall be prohibited from creating any new occupational licenses after
131 August 28, 2020. The provisions of this section shall not apply to business licenses, where
132 the terms "occupational licenses" and "business licenses" are used interchangeably in a city or
133 county charter definition.

329.050. 1. Applicants for examination or licensure pursuant to this chapter shall
2 possess the following qualifications:

3 (1) They shall provide documentation of successful completion of courses approved
4 by the board, have an education equivalent to the successful completion of the tenth grade,
5 and be at least seventeen years of age;

6 (2) If the applicants are apprentices, they shall have served and completed, as an
7 apprentice under the supervision of a licensed cosmetologist, the time and studies required by
8 the board which shall be no less than three thousand hours for cosmetologists, and no less
9 than eight hundred hours for manicurists and no less than fifteen hundred hours for esthetics.
10 However, when the classified occupation of manicurist is apprenticed in conjunction with the
11 classified occupation of cosmetologist, the apprentice shall be required to successfully
12 complete an apprenticeship of no less than a total of three thousand hours;

13 (3) If the applicants are students, they shall have had the required time in a licensed
14 school of no less than one thousand five hundred hours training or the credit hours determined
15 by the formula in Subpart A of Part 668 of Section 668.8 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal
16 Regulations, as amended, for the classification of cosmetologist, with the exception of public
17 vocational technical schools in which a student shall complete no less than one thousand two

18 hundred twenty hours training. All students shall complete no less than four hundred hours or
19 the credit hours determined by the formula in Subpart A of Part 668 of Section 668.8 of Title
20 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended, for the classification of manicurist. All
21 students shall complete no less than seven hundred fifty hours or the credit hours determined
22 by the formula in Subpart A of Part 668 of Section 668.8 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal
23 Regulations, as amended, for the classification of esthetician. However, when the classified
24 occupation of manicurist is taken in conjunction with the classified occupation of
25 cosmetologist, the student shall not be required to serve the extra four hundred hours or
26 the credit hours determined by the formula in Subpart A of Part 668 of Section 668.8 of Title
27 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended, otherwise required to include manicuring
28 of nails; and

29 (4) They shall have passed an examination to the satisfaction of the board.

30 2. A person may apply to take the examination required by subsection 1 of this
31 section if the person is a graduate of a school of cosmetology or apprentice program in
32 another state or territory of the United States which has substantially the same requirements
33 as an educational establishment licensed pursuant to this chapter. A person may apply to take
34 the examination required by subsection 1 of this section if the person is a graduate of an
35 educational establishment in a foreign country that provides training for a classified
36 occupation of cosmetology, as defined by section 329.010, and has educational requirements
37 that are substantially the same requirements as an educational establishment licensed under
38 this chapter. The board has sole discretion to determine the substantial equivalency of such
39 educational requirements. The board may require that transcripts from foreign schools be
40 submitted for its review, and the board may require that the applicant provide an approved
41 English translation of such transcripts.

42 3. Each application shall contain a statement that, subject to the penalties of making a
43 false affidavit or declaration, the application is made under oath or affirmation and that its
44 representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing the
45 application.

46 4. The sufficiency of the qualifications of applicants shall be determined by the board,
47 but the board may delegate this authority to its executive director subject to such provisions as
48 the board may adopt.

49 5. Applications for examination or licensure may be denied if the applicant has
50 pleaded guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the
51 following offenses or offenses of a similar nature established under the laws of this state, any
52 other state, the United States, or any other country, notwithstanding whether sentence is
53 imposed:

54 (1) Any dangerous felony as defined under section 556.061 or murder in the first
55 degree;

56 (2) Any of the following sexual offenses: rape in the first degree, forcible rape, rape,
57 statutory rape in the first degree, statutory rape in the second degree, rape in the second
58 degree, sexual assault, sodomy in the first degree, forcible sodomy, statutory sodomy in the
59 first degree, statutory sodomy in the second degree, child molestation in the first degree, child
60 molestation in the second degree, sodomy in the second degree, deviate sexual assault, sexual
61 misconduct involving a child, sexual misconduct in the first degree under section 566.090 as
62 it existed prior to August 28, 2013, sexual abuse under section 566.100 as it existed prior to
63 August 28, 2013, sexual abuse in the first or second degree, enticement of a child, or
64 attempting to entice a child;

65 (3) Any of the following offenses against the family and related offenses: incest,
66 abandonment of a child in the first degree, abandonment of a child in the second degree,
67 endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree, abuse of a child, using a child in a
68 sexual performance, promoting sexual performance by a child, or trafficking in children; and

69 (4) Any of the following offenses involving child pornography **as it existed prior to**
70 **August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material** and related offenses: promoting obscenity
71 in the first degree, promoting obscenity in the second degree when the penalty is enhanced to
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77 **material in the first degree**, possession of child pornography in the second degree **as it**
78 **existed prior to August 28, 2025, possession of child sexual abuse material in the second**
79 **degree**, furnishing child pornography to a minor **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025,**
80 **furnishing child sexual abuse material to a minor**, furnishing pornographic materials to
81 minors, or coercing acceptance of obscene material.

339.100. 1. The commission may, upon its own motion, and shall upon receipt of a
2 written complaint filed by any person, investigate any real estate-related activity of a licensee
3 licensed under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 or an individual
4 or entity acting as or representing themselves as a real estate licensee. In conducting such
5 investigation, if the questioned activity or written complaint involves an affiliated licensee,
6 the commission may forward a copy of the information received to the affiliated licensee's
7 designated broker. The commission shall have the power to hold an investigatory hearing to
8 determine whether there is a probability of a violation of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and
9 sections 339.710 to 339.860. The commission shall have the power to issue a subpoena to

10 compel the production of records and papers bearing on the complaint. The commission shall
11 have the power to issue a subpoena and to compel any person in this state to come before the
12 commission to offer testimony or any material specified in the subpoena. Subpoenas and
13 subpoenas duces tecum issued pursuant to this section shall be served in the same manner as
14 subpoenas in a criminal case. The fees and mileage of witnesses shall be the same as that
15 allowed in the circuit court in civil cases.

16 2. The commission may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing
17 commission as provided by the provisions of chapter 621 against any person or entity licensed
18 under this chapter or any licensee who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her
19 individual or entity license for any one or any combination of the following acts:

20 (1) Failure to maintain and deposit in a special account, separate and apart from his or
21 her personal or other business accounts, all moneys belonging to others entrusted to him or
22 her while acting as a real estate broker or as the temporary custodian of the funds of others,
23 until the transaction involved is consummated or terminated, unless all parties having an
24 interest in the funds have agreed otherwise in writing;

25 (2) Making substantial misrepresentations or false promises or suppression,
26 concealment or omission of material facts in the conduct of his or her business or pursuing
27 a flagrant and continued course of misrepresentation through agents, salespersons, advertising
28 or otherwise in any transaction;

29 (3) Failing within a reasonable time to account for or to remit any moneys, valuable
30 documents or other property, coming into his or her possession, which belongs to others;

31 (4) Representing to any lender, guaranteeing agency, or any other interested party,
32 either verbally or through the preparation of false documents, an amount in excess of the true
33 and actual sale price of the real estate or terms differing from those actually agreed upon;

34 (5) Failure to timely deliver a duplicate original of any and all instruments to any
35 party or parties executing the same where the instruments have been prepared by the licensee
36 or under his or her supervision or are within his or her control, including, but not limited to,
37 the instruments relating to the employment of the licensee or to any matter pertaining to the
38 consummation of a lease, listing agreement or the purchase, sale, exchange or lease of
39 property, or any type of real estate transaction in which he or she may participate as a
40 licensee;

41 (6) Acting for more than one party in a transaction without the knowledge of all
42 parties for whom he or she acts, or accepting a commission or valuable consideration for
43 services from more than one party in a real estate transaction without the knowledge of all
44 parties to the transaction;

45 (7) Paying a commission or valuable consideration to any person for acts or services
46 performed in violation of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860;

47 (8) Guaranteeing or having authorized or permitted any licensee to guarantee future
48 profits which may result from the resale of real property;

49 (9) Having been finally adjudicated and been found guilty of the violation of any state
50 or federal statute which governs the sale or rental of real property or the conduct of the real
51 estate business as defined in subsection 1 of section 339.010;

52 (10) Obtaining a certificate or registration of authority, permit or license for himself
53 or herself or anyone else by false or fraudulent representation, fraud or deceit;

54 (11) Representing a real estate broker other than the broker with whom associated
55 without the express written consent of the broker with whom associated;

56 (12) Accepting a commission or valuable consideration for the performance of any of
57 the acts referred to in section 339.010 from any person except the broker with whom
58 associated at the time the commission or valuable consideration was earned;

59 (13) Using prizes, money, gifts or other valuable consideration as inducement to
60 secure customers or clients to purchase, lease, sell or list property when the awarding of such
61 prizes, money, gifts or other valuable consideration is conditioned upon the purchase, lease,
62 sale or listing; or soliciting, selling or offering for sale real property by offering free lots, or
63 conducting lotteries or contests, or offering prizes for the purpose of influencing a purchaser
64 or prospective purchaser of real property;

65 (14) Placing a sign on or advertising any property offering it for sale or rent without
66 the written consent of the owner or his or her duly authorized agent;

67 (15) Violation of, or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting or
68 enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections
69 339.710 to 339.860, or of any lawful rule adopted pursuant to sections 339.010 to 339.180
70 and sections 339.710 to 339.860;

71 (16) Committing any act which would otherwise be grounds for the commission to
72 refuse to issue a license under section 339.040;

73 (17) Failure to timely inform seller of all written offers unless otherwise instructed in
74 writing by the seller;

75 (18) Been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo
76 contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of this state or any other state or of the
77 United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of
78 any profession licensed or regulated under this chapter, or for any offense an essential
79 element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, whether or not sentence is
80 imposed;

81 (19) Any other conduct which constitutes untrustworthy, improper or fraudulent
82 business dealings, demonstrates bad faith or incompetence, misconduct, or gross negligence;

83 (20) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to practice any
84 profession regulated under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860
85 granted by another state, territory, federal agency, or country upon grounds for which
86 revocation, suspension, or probation is authorized in this state;

87 (21) Been found by a court of competent jurisdiction of having used any controlled
88 substance, as defined in chapter 195, to the extent that such use impairs a person's ability to
89 perform the work of any profession licensed or regulated by sections 339.010 to 339.180 and
90 sections 339.710 to 339.860;

91 (22) Been finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of competent
92 jurisdiction;

93 (23) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any profession
94 licensed or regulated under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and sections 339.710 to 339.860 who
95 is not registered and currently eligible to practice under sections 339.010 to 339.180 and
96 sections 339.710 to 339.860;

97 (24) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which:

98 (a) Is knowingly false, misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to
99 whom the advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed; or

100 (b) Includes a name or team name that uses the terms "realty", "brokerage",
101 "company", or any other terms that can be construed to advertise a real estate company other
102 than the licensee or a business entity licensed under this chapter with whom the licensee is
103 associated. The context of the advertisement or solicitation may be considered by the
104 commission when determining whether a licensee has committed a violation of this
105 paragraph;

106 (25) Making any material misstatement, misrepresentation, or omission with regard
107 to any application for licensure or license renewal. As used in this section, "material" means
108 important information about which the commission should be informed and which may
109 influence a licensing decision;

110 (26) Engaging in, committing, or assisting any person in engaging in or committing
111 mortgage fraud, as defined in section 443.930.

112 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings will be conducted in accordance
113 with the provisions of law relating to the administrative hearing commission. A finding of the
114 administrative hearing commissioner that the licensee has performed or attempted to perform
115 one or more of the foregoing acts shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of his
116 license by the commission, or the placing of the licensee on probation on such terms and
117 conditions as the real estate commission shall deem appropriate, or the imposition of a civil
118 penalty by the commission not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars for each offense.
119 Each day of a continued violation shall constitute a separate offense.

120 4. The commission may prepare a digest of the decisions of the administrative
121 hearing commission which concern complaints against licensed brokers or salespersons and
122 cause such digests to be mailed to all licensees periodically. Such digests may also contain
123 reports as to new or changed rules adopted by the commission and other information of
124 significance to licensees.

125 5. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, a broker or salesperson's license
126 shall be revoked, or in the case of an applicant, shall not be issued, if the licensee or applicant
127 has pleaded guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the
128 following offenses or offenses of a similar nature established under the laws of this, any other
129 state, the United States, or any other country, notwithstanding whether sentence is imposed:

130 (1) Any dangerous felony as defined under section 556.061 or murder in the first
131 degree;

132 (2) Any of the following sexual offenses: rape in the first degree, forcible rape, rape,
133 statutory rape in the first degree, statutory rape in the second degree, rape in the second
134 degree, sexual assault, sodomy in the first degree, forcible sodomy, statutory sodomy in the
135 first degree, statutory sodomy in the second degree, child molestation in the first degree, child
136 molestation in the second degree, sodomy in the second degree, deviate sexual assault, sexual
137 misconduct involving a child, sexual misconduct in the first degree under section 566.090 as
138 it existed prior to August 28, 2013, sexual abuse under section 566.100 as it existed prior to
139 August 28, 2013, sexual abuse in the first or second degree, enticement of a child, or
140 attempting to entice a child;

141 (3) Any of the following offenses against the family and related offenses: incest,
142 abandonment of a child in the first degree, abandonment of a child in the second degree,
143 endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree, abuse of a child, using a child in a
144 sexual performance, promoting sexual performance by a child, or trafficking in children;

145 (4) Any of the following offenses involving child pornography **as it existed prior to**
146 **August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material** and related offenses: promoting obscenity
147 in the first degree, promoting obscenity in the second degree when the penalty is enhanced to
148 a class E felony, promoting child pornography in the first degree **as it existed prior to**
149 **August 28, 2025, promoting child sexual abuse material in the first degree**, promoting
150 child pornography in the second degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, promoting**
151 **child sexual abuse material in the second degree**, possession of child pornography in the
152 first degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, possession of child sexual abuse**
153 **material in the first degree**, possession of child pornography in the second degree **as it**
154 **existed prior to August 28, 2025, possession of child sexual abuse material in the second**
155 **degree**, furnishing child pornography to a minor **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025,**

156 **furnishing child sexual abuse material to a minor**, furnishing pornographic materials to
157 minors, or coercing acceptance of obscene material; and

158 (5) Mortgage fraud as defined in section 570.310.

159 6. A person whose license was revoked under subsection 5 of this section may appeal
160 such revocation to the administrative hearing commission. Notice of such appeal must be
161 received by the administrative hearing commission within ninety days of mailing, by certified
162 mail, the notice of revocation. Failure of a person whose license was revoked to notify the
163 administrative hearing commission of his or her intent to appeal waives all rights to appeal the
164 revocation. Upon notice of such person's intent to appeal, a hearing shall be held before the
165 administrative hearing commission.

451.040. 1. Previous to any marriage in this state, a license for that purpose shall be
2 obtained from the officer authorized to issue the same, and no marriage contracted shall be
3 recognized as valid unless the license has been previously obtained, and unless the marriage
4 is solemnized by a person authorized by law to solemnize marriages.

5 2. Before applicants for a marriage license shall receive a license, and before the
6 recorder of deeds shall be authorized to issue a license, the parties to the marriage shall
7 present an application for the license, duly executed and signed in the presence of the recorder
8 of deeds or their deputy or electronically through an online process. If an applicant is unable
9 to sign the application in the presence of the recorder of deeds as a result of the applicant's
10 incarceration or because the applicant has been called or ordered to active military duty out of
11 the state or country, the recorder of deeds may issue a license if:

12 (1) An affidavit or sworn statement is submitted by the incarcerated or military
13 applicant on a form furnished by the recorder of deeds which includes the necessary
14 information for the recorder of deeds to issue a marriage license under this section. The form
15 shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

16 (a) The names of both applicants for the marriage license;

17 (b) The date of birth of the incarcerated or military applicant;

18 (c) An attestation by the incarcerated or military applicant that both applicants are not
19 related;

20 (d) The date the marriage ended if the incarcerated or military applicant was
21 previously married;

22 (e) An attestation signed by the incarcerated or military applicant stating in
23 substantial part that the applicant is unable to appear in the presence of the recorder of deeds
24 as a result of the applicant's incarceration or because the applicant has been called or ordered
25 to active military duty out of the state or country, which will be verified by the professional or
26 official who directs the operation of the jail or prison or the military applicant's military
27 officer, or such professional's or official's designee, and acknowledged by a notary public

28 commissioned by the state of Missouri at the time of verification. However, in the case of an
29 applicant who is called or ordered to active military duty outside Missouri, acknowledgment
30 may be obtained by a notary public who is duly commissioned by a state other than Missouri
31 or by notarial services of a military officer in accordance with the Uniform Code of Military
32 Justice at the time of verification;

33 (2) The completed marriage license application of the incarcerated or military
34 applicant is submitted which includes the applicant's Social Security number; except that, in
35 the event the applicant does not have a Social Security number, a sworn statement by the
36 applicant to that effect; and

37 (3) A copy of a government-issued identification for the incarcerated or military
38 applicant which contains the applicant's photograph. However, in such case the incarcerated
39 applicant does not have such an identification because the jail or prison to which he or she is
40 confined does not issue an identification with a photo his or her notarized application shall
41 satisfy this requirement.

42 3. Each application for a license shall contain the Social Security number of the
43 applicant, provided that the applicant in fact has a Social Security number, or the applicant
44 shall sign a statement provided by the recorder that the applicant does not have a Social
45 Security number. The Social Security number contained in an application for a marriage
46 license shall be exempt from examination and copying pursuant to section 610.024. After the
47 receipt of the application the recorder of deeds shall issue the license, unless one of the parties
48 withdraws the application. The license shall be void after thirty days from the date of
49 issuance.

50 4. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a
51 misdemeanor.

52 5. Common-law marriages shall be null and void.

53 6. Provided, however, that no marriage shall be deemed or adjudged invalid, nor shall
54 the validity be in any way affected for want of authority in any person so solemnizing the
55 marriage pursuant to section 451.100, if consummated with the full belief on the part of the
56 persons, so married, or either of them, that they were lawfully joined in marriage.

57 7. In the event a recorder of deeds utilizes an online process to accept applications for
58 a marriage license or to issue a marriage license and the applicants' identity has not been
59 verified in person, the recorder of deeds shall have a two-step identity verification process or
60 a process that independently verifies the identity of such applicants. Such process shall be
61 adopted as part of any electronic system for marriage licenses if the applicants do not present
62 themselves to the recorder of deeds or his or her designee in person. It shall be the
63 responsibility of the recorder of deeds to ensure any process adopted to allow electronic
64 application or issuance of a marriage license verifies the identities of both applicants. The

65 recorder of deeds shall not accept applications for or issue marriage licenses through the
66 process provided in this subsection unless ~~[both applicants are at least eighteen years of age~~
67 ~~and]~~ at least one of the applicants is a resident of the county or city not within a county in
68 which the application was submitted.

451.080. 1. The recorders of the several counties of this state, and the recorder of the
2 city of St. Louis, shall, when applied to by any person legally entitled to a marriage license,
3 issue the same which may be in the following form:

4 State of Missouri)
5)
6 ss.
7)
8 County of _____)

9 This license authorizes any judge, associate circuit judge, licensed or
10 ordained preacher of the gospel, or other person authorized under the laws
11 of this state, to solemnize marriage between A B of _____, county of ____
12 __ and state of _____, who is _____ the age of eighteen years, and C D
13 of _____, in the county of _____, state of _____, who is _____ the age
14 of eighteen years.

15 2. ~~[If the man is under eighteen or the woman under eighteen, add the following:]~~
16 ~~[The custodial parent or guardian, as the case may be, of the said A B or C~~
17 ~~D (A B or C D, as the case may require), has given his or her assent to the~~
18 ~~said marriage.]~~

19 ~~[Witness my hand as recorder, with the seal of office hereto affixed, at my~~
20 ~~office, in _____, the _____ day of _____, 20_____, recorder.]~~

21 ~~[3-]~~ On which such license the person solemnizing the marriage shall, within fifteen
22 days after the issuing thereof, make as near as may be the following return, and return such
23 license to the officer issuing the same:

24 State of Missouri)
25)
26 ss.
27)
28 County of _____)

29 This is to certify that the undersigned _____ did at _____, in said county,
30 on the _____ day of _____ A.D. 20_____, unite in marriage the above-
31 named persons.

451.090. 1. No recorder shall issue a license authorizing the marriage of any male or
2 female under ~~[sixteen]~~ **eighteen** years of age ~~[nor shall a license be issued authorizing the~~

3 marriage of any male or female twenty-one years of age or older to a male or female under
4 eighteen years of age].

5 2. ~~[No recorder shall issue a license authorizing the marriage of any male or female~~
6 ~~under the age of eighteen years, except with the consent of his or her custodial parent or~~
7 ~~guardian, which consent shall be given at the time, in writing, stating the residence of the~~
8 ~~person giving such consent, signed and sworn to before an officer authorized to administer~~
9 ~~oaths.~~

10 3.] The recorder shall state in every license whether the parties applying for [same,
11 one or either or both of them,] **such license** are of age[, or whether the male is under the age
12 of eighteen years or the female under the age of eighteen years, and if the male is under the
13 age of eighteen years or the female is under the age of eighteen years, the name of the
14 custodial parent or guardian consenting to such marriage]. Applicants shall provide proof of
15 age to the recorder in the form of a certified copy of the applicant's birth certificate, passport,
16 or other government-issued identification, which shall then be documented by the recorder.

452.305. 1. The court shall enter a judgment of dissolution of marriage if:

2 (1) The court finds that one of the parties has been a resident of this state, or is a
3 member of the armed services who has been stationed in this state, for ninety days
4 immediately preceding the commencement of the proceeding and that thirty days have
5 elapsed since the filing of the petition; and

6 (2) The court finds that there remains no reasonable likelihood that the marriage can
7 be preserved and that therefore the marriage is irretrievably broken; and

8 (3) To the extent it has jurisdiction, the court has considered and made provision for
9 child custody, the support of each child, the maintenance of either spouse and the disposition
10 of property.

11 2. The court shall enter a judgment of legal separation if:

12 (1) The court finds that one of the parties has been a resident of this state, or is a
13 member of the armed services who has been stationed in this state, for ninety days
14 immediately preceding the commencement of the proceeding and that thirty days have
15 elapsed since the filing of the petition; and

16 (2) The court finds that there remains a reasonable likelihood that the marriage can be
17 preserved and that therefore the marriage is not irretrievably broken; and

18 (3) To the extent it has jurisdiction, the court has considered and made provision for
19 the custody and the support of each child, the maintenance of either spouse and the
20 disposition of property.

21 3. **Pregnancy status shall not prevent the court from entering a judgment of**
22 **dissolution of marriage or legal separation.**

23 4. Any judgment of dissolution of marriage or legal separation shall include the last
24 four digits of the Social Security numbers of the parties. The full Social Security number of
25 each party and each child shall be retained in the manner required under section 509.520.

 452.310. 1. In any proceeding commenced pursuant to this chapter, the petition, a
2 motion to modify, a motion for a family access order and a motion for contempt shall be
3 verified. The petition in a proceeding for dissolution of marriage shall allege that the
4 marriage is irretrievably broken and that therefore there remains no reasonable likelihood that
5 the marriage can be preserved. The petition in a proceeding for legal separation shall allege
6 that the marriage is not irretrievably broken and that therefore there remains a reasonable
7 likelihood that the marriage can be preserved.

8 2. The petition in a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or legal separation shall set
9 forth:

10 (1) The residence of each party, including the county, and the length of residence of
11 each party in this state and in the county of residence;

12 (2) The date of the marriage and the place at which it is registered;

13 (3) The date on which the parties separated;

14 (4) The name, age, and address of each child, and the parent with whom each child
15 has primarily resided for the sixty days immediately preceding the filing of the petition for
16 dissolution of marriage or legal separation;

17 (5) Whether the wife is pregnant; **however, pregnancy status shall not prevent the**
18 **court from entering a judgment of dissolution of marriage or legal separation;**

19 (6) The last four digits of the Social Security number of the petitioner, respondent and
20 each child;

21 (7) Any arrangements as to the custody and support of the children and the
22 maintenance of each party; and

23 (8) The relief sought.

24 3. Upon the filing of the petition in a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or legal
25 separation, each child shall immediately be subject to the jurisdiction of the court in which the
26 proceeding is commenced, unless a proceeding involving allegations of abuse or neglect of
27 the child is pending in juvenile court. Until permitted by order of the court, neither parent
28 shall remove any child from the jurisdiction of the court or from any parent with whom the
29 child has primarily resided for the sixty days immediately preceding the filing of a petition for
30 dissolution of marriage or legal separation.

31 4. The mere fact that one parent has actual possession of the child at the time of filing
32 shall not create a preference in favor of such parent in any judicial determination regarding
33 custody of the child.

34 5. The respondent shall be served in the manner provided by the rules of the supreme
35 court and applicable court rules and, to avoid an interlocutory judgment of default, shall file a
36 verified answer within thirty days of the date of service which shall not only admit or deny
37 the allegations of the petition, but shall also set forth:

38 (1) The last four digits of the Social Security number of the petitioner, respondent and
39 each child;

40 (2) Any arrangements as to the custody and support of the child and the maintenance
41 of each party; and

42 (3) The relief sought.

43 6. Previously existing defenses to divorce and legal separation, including but not
44 limited to condonation, connivance, collusion, recrimination, insanity, and lapse of time, are
45 abolished.

46 7. The full Social Security number of each party and each child and the date of birth
47 of each child shall be provided in the manner required under section 509.520.

48 8. The petitioner and respondent shall submit a proposed parenting plan, either
49 individually or jointly, within thirty days after service of process or the filing of the entry of
50 appearance, whichever event first occurs of a motion to modify or a petition involving
51 custody or visitation issues. The proposed parenting plan shall set forth the arrangements that
52 the party believes to be in the best interest of the minor children and shall include but not be
53 limited to:

54 (1) A specific written schedule detailing the custody, visitation and residential time
55 for each child with each party including:

56 (a) Major holidays stating which holidays a party has each year;

57 (b) School holidays for school-age children;

58 (c) The child's birthday, Mother's Day and Father's Day;

59 (d) Weekday and weekend schedules and for school-age children how the winter,
60 spring, summer and other vacations from school will be spent;

61 (e) The times and places for transfer of the child between the parties in connection
62 with the residential schedule;

63 (f) A plan for sharing transportation duties associated with the residential schedule;

64 (g) Appropriate times for telephone access;

65 (h) Suggested procedures for notifying the other party when a party requests a
66 temporary variation from the residential schedule;

67 (i) Any suggested restrictions or limitations on access to a party and the reasons such
68 restrictions are requested;

69 (2) A specific written plan regarding legal custody which details how the decision-
70 making rights and responsibilities will be shared between the parties including the following:

71 (a) Educational decisions and methods of communicating information from the
72 school to both parties;

73 (b) Medical, dental and health care decisions including how health care providers will
74 be selected and a method of communicating medical conditions of the child and how
75 emergency care will be handled;

76 (c) Extracurricular activities, including a method for determining which activities the
77 child will participate in when those activities involve time during which each party is the
78 custodian;

79 (d) Child care providers, including how such providers will be selected;

80 (e) Communication procedures including access to telephone numbers as appropriate;

81 (f) A dispute resolution procedure for those matters on which the parties disagree or
82 in interpreting the parenting plan;

83 (g) If a party suggests no shared decision-making, a statement of the reasons for such
84 a request;

85 (3) How the expenses of the child, including child care, educational and extraordinary
86 expenses as defined in the child support guidelines established by the supreme court, will be
87 paid including:

88 (a) The suggested amount of child support to be paid by each party;

89 (b) The party who will maintain or provide health insurance for the child and how the
90 medical, dental, vision, psychological and other health care expenses of the child not paid by
91 insurance will be paid by the parties;

92 (c) The payment of educational expenses, if any;

93 (d) The payment of extraordinary expenses of the child, if any;

94 (e) Child care expenses, if any;

95 (f) Transportation expenses, if any.

96 9. If the proposed parenting plans of the parties differ and the parties cannot resolve
97 the differences or if any party fails to file a proposed parenting plan, upon motion of either
98 party and an opportunity for the parties to be heard, the court shall enter a temporary order
99 containing a parenting plan setting forth the arrangements specified in subsection 8 of this
100 section which will remain in effect until further order of the court. The temporary order
101 entered by the court shall not create a preference for the court in its adjudication of final
102 custody, child support or visitation.

103 10. The Missouri supreme court shall have guidelines for a parenting plan which may
104 be used by the parties pursuant to this section in any dissolution of marriage, legal separation
105 or modification proceeding involving issues of custody and visitation relating to the child.
106 Parenting plan guidelines shall be made available on the office of state courts administrator's
107 website.

108 11. The filing of a parenting plan for any child over the age of eighteen for whom
109 custody, visitation, or support is being established or modified by a court of competent
110 jurisdiction is not required. Nothing in this section shall be construed as precluding the filing
111 of a parenting plan upon agreement of the parties or if ordered to do so by the court for any
112 child over the age of eighteen for whom custody, visitation, or support is being established or
113 modified by a court of competent jurisdiction.

 455.010. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the
2 following terms shall mean:

3 (1) "Abuse", includes but is not limited to the occurrence of any of the following acts,
4 attempts or threats against a person who may be protected pursuant to this chapter, except
5 abuse shall not include abuse inflicted on a child by accidental means by an adult household
6 member or discipline of a child, including spanking, in a reasonable manner:

7 (a) "Abusing a pet", purposely or knowingly causing, attempting to cause, or
8 threatening to cause physical injury to a pet with the intent to control, punish, intimidate, or
9 distress the petitioner;

10 (b) "Assault", purposely or knowingly placing or attempting to place another in fear
11 of physical harm;

12 (c) "Battery", purposely or knowingly causing physical harm to another with or
13 without a deadly weapon;

14 (d) "Coercion", compelling another by force or threat of force to engage in conduct
15 from which the latter has a right to abstain or to abstain from conduct in which the person has
16 a right to engage;

17 (e) "Harassment", engaging in a purposeful or knowing course of conduct involving
18 more than one incident that alarms or causes distress to an adult or child and serves no
19 legitimate purpose. The course of conduct must be such as would cause a reasonable adult or
20 child to suffer substantial emotional distress and must actually cause substantial emotional
21 distress to the petitioner or child. Such conduct might include, but is not limited to:

22 a. Following another about in a public place or places;

23 b. Peering in the window or lingering outside the residence of another; but does not
24 include constitutionally protected activity;

25 (f) "Sexual assault", causing or attempting to cause another to engage involuntarily in
26 any sexual act by force, threat of force, duress, or without that person's consent;

27 (g) "Unlawful imprisonment", holding, confining, detaining or abducting another
28 person against that person's will;

29 (2) "Adult", any person ~~[seventeen]~~ **eighteen** years of age or older or otherwise
30 emancipated;

- 31 (3) "Child", any person under [~~seventeen~~] **eighteen** years of age unless otherwise
32 emancipated;
- 33 (4) "Court", the circuit or associate circuit judge or a family court commissioner;
- 34 (5) "Domestic violence", abuse or stalking committed by a family or household
35 member, as such terms are defined in this section;
- 36 (6) "Ex parte order of protection", an order of protection issued by the court before
37 the respondent has received notice of the petition or an opportunity to be heard on it;
- 38 (7) "Family" or "household member", spouses, former spouses, any person related by
39 blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together or have resided together in the
40 past, any person who is or has been in a continuing social relationship of a romantic or
41 intimate nature with the victim, and anyone who has a child in common regardless of whether
42 they have been married or have resided together at any time;
- 43 (8) "Full order of protection", an order of protection issued after a hearing on the
44 record where the respondent has received notice of the proceedings and has had an
45 opportunity to be heard;
- 46 (9) "Order of protection", either an ex parte order of protection or a full order of
47 protection;
- 48 (10) "Pending", exists or for which a hearing date has been set;
- 49 (11) "Pet", a living creature maintained by a household member for companionship
50 and not for commercial purposes;
- 51 (12) "Petitioner", a family or household member who has been a victim of domestic
52 violence, or any person who has been the victim of stalking or sexual assault, or a person
53 filing on behalf of a child pursuant to section 455.503 who has filed a verified petition
54 pursuant to the provisions of section 455.020 or section 455.505;
- 55 (13) "Respondent", the family or household member alleged to have committed an act
56 of domestic violence, or person alleged to have committed an act of stalking or sexual assault,
57 against whom a verified petition has been filed or a person served on behalf of a child
58 pursuant to section 455.503;
- 59 (14) "Sexual assault", as defined under subdivision (1) of this section;
- 60 (15) "Stalking", is when any person purposely engages in an unwanted course of
61 conduct that causes alarm to another person, or a person who resides together in the same
62 household with the person seeking the order of protection when it is reasonable in that
63 person's situation to have been alarmed by the conduct. As used in this subdivision:
- 64 (a) "Alarm", to cause fear of danger of physical harm; and
- 65 (b) "Course of conduct", two or more acts that serve no legitimate purpose including,
66 but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through a third party

67 follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to a person by any action,
68 method, or device.

455.035. 1. Upon the filing of a verified petition pursuant to sections 455.010 to
2 455.085 and for good cause shown in the petition, the court may immediately issue an ex
3 parte order of protection. An immediate and present danger of domestic violence to the
4 petitioner or the child on whose behalf the petition is filed shall constitute good cause for
5 purposes of this section. An ex parte order of protection entered by the court shall take effect
6 when entered and shall remain in effect until there is valid service of process and a hearing is
7 held on the motion. The court shall deny the ex parte order and dismiss the petition if the
8 petitioner is not authorized to seek relief pursuant to section 455.020.

9 2. Failure to serve an ex parte order of protection on the respondent shall not affect
10 the validity or enforceability of such order. If the respondent is less than ~~seventeen~~ **eighteen**
11 years of age, unless otherwise emancipated, service of process shall be made upon a custodial
12 parent or guardian of the respondent, or upon a guardian ad litem appointed by the court,
13 requiring that the person appear and bring the respondent before the court at the time and
14 place stated.

15 3. If an ex parte order is entered and the respondent is less than ~~seventeen~~ **eighteen**
16 years of age, the court shall transfer the case to juvenile court for a hearing on a full order of
17 protection. The court shall appoint a guardian ad litem for any such respondent not
18 represented by a parent or guardian.

455.513. 1. The court may immediately issue an ex parte order of protection upon the
2 filing of a verified petition under sections 455.500 to 455.538, for good cause shown in the
3 petition, and upon finding that:

4 (1) No prior order regarding custody involving the respondent and the child is
5 pending or has been made; or

6 (2) The respondent is less than ~~seventeen~~ **eighteen** years of age.

7
8 An immediate and present danger of domestic violence, including danger to the child's pet,
9 stalking, or sexual assault to a child shall constitute good cause for purposes of this section.
10 An ex parte order of protection entered by the court shall be in effect until the time of the
11 hearing. The court shall deny the ex parte order and dismiss the petition if the petitioner is not
12 authorized to seek relief pursuant to section 455.505.

13 2. Upon the entry of the ex parte order of protection, the court shall enter its order
14 appointing a guardian ad litem or court-appointed special advocate to represent the child
15 victim.

16 3. If the allegations in the petition would give rise to jurisdiction under section
17 211.031, the court may direct the children's division to conduct an investigation and to

18 provide appropriate services. The division shall submit a written investigative report to the
19 court and to the juvenile officer within thirty days of being ordered to do so. The report shall
20 be made available to the parties and the guardian ad litem or court-appointed special
21 advocate.

22 4. If the allegations in the petition would give rise to jurisdiction under section
23 211.031 because the respondent is less than ~~seventeen~~ **eighteen** years of age, the court may
24 issue an ex parte order and shall transfer the case to juvenile court for a hearing on a full order
25 of protection. Service of process shall be made pursuant to section 455.035.

491.075. 1. A statement made by a child under the age of ~~fourteen~~ **eighteen**, or a
2 vulnerable person, relating to an offense under chapter 565, 566, 568 or 573, performed by
3 another, not otherwise admissible by statute or court rule, is admissible in evidence in
4 criminal proceedings in the courts of this state as substantive evidence to prove the truth of
5 the matter asserted if:

6 (1) The court finds, in a hearing conducted outside the presence of the jury that the
7 time, content and circumstances of the statement provide sufficient indicia of reliability; and

8 (2) (a) The child or vulnerable person testifies at the proceedings; or

9 (b) The child or vulnerable person is unavailable as a witness; or

10 (c) The child or vulnerable person is otherwise physically available as a witness but
11 the court finds that the significant emotional or psychological trauma which would result
12 from testifying in the personal presence of the defendant makes the child or vulnerable person
13 unavailable as a witness at the time of the criminal proceeding.

14 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section or any provision of law or rule of
15 evidence requiring corroboration of statements, admissions or confessions of the defendant,
16 and notwithstanding any prohibition of hearsay evidence, a statement by a child when under
17 the age of ~~fourteen~~ **eighteen**, or a vulnerable person, who is alleged to be victim of an
18 offense under chapter 565, 566, 568 or 573 is sufficient corroboration of a statement,
19 admission or confession regardless of whether or not the child or vulnerable person is
20 available to testify regarding the offense.

21 3. A statement may not be admitted under this section unless the prosecuting attorney
22 makes known to the accused or the accused's counsel his or her intention to offer the
23 statement and the particulars of the statement sufficiently in advance of the proceedings to
24 provide the accused or the accused's counsel with a fair opportunity to prepare to meet the
25 statement.

26 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the admissibility of statements,
27 admissions or confessions otherwise admissible by law.

28 5. For the purposes of this section, "vulnerable person" shall mean a person who, as a
29 result of an inadequately developed or impaired intelligence or a psychiatric disorder that

30 materially affects ability to function, lacks the mental capacity to consent, or whose
31 developmental level does not exceed that of an ordinary child of ~~fourteen~~ **seventeen** years
32 of age.

491.641. 1. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Pretrial Witness
2 Protection Services Fund", which shall consist of moneys collected under this section. The
3 state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180,
4 the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and money
5 in the fund shall be used solely by the department of public safety for the purposes of witness
6 protection services pursuant to this section.

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

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

13 2. Any law enforcement agency **and any prosecuting or circuit attorney's office**
14 may provide for the security of witnesses, potential witnesses, and their immediate families in
15 criminal proceedings instituted or investigations pending against a person alleged to have
16 engaged in a violation of state law. Providing for witnesses may include provision of housing
17 facilities and for the health, safety, and welfare of such witnesses and their immediate
18 families, if testimony by such a witness might subject the witness or a member of his or her
19 immediate family to danger of bodily injury, and may continue so long as such danger exists.
20 Subject to appropriations from the general assembly for the purposes provided for in this
21 section, funds may be appropriated from the pretrial witness protection services fund.

22 3. The department of public safety may authorize funds to be disbursed to law
23 enforcement agencies **and prosecuting or circuit attorneys' offices** for the purchase, rental,
24 or modification of protected housing facilities for the purpose of this section. The law
25 enforcement agency **or prosecuting or circuit attorney's office** may contract with any
26 department of federal or state government to obtain or to provide the facilities or services to
27 carry out this section.

28 4. The department of public safety may authorize expenditures for law enforcement
29 agencies **and prosecuting or circuit attorneys' offices** to provide for the health, safety, and
30 welfare of witnesses and victims, and the families of such witnesses and victims, whenever
31 testimony from, or a willingness to testify by, such a witness or victim would place the life of
32 such person, or a member of his or her family or household, in jeopardy. ~~[A law enforcement~~
33 ~~agency shall submit an application to the department of public safety which shall include, but~~
34 ~~not necessarily be limited to:~~

- 35 ~~(1) Statement of conditions which qualify persons for protection;~~
 36 ~~(2) Precise methods the originating agency will use to provide protection, including~~
 37 ~~relocation of persons and reciprocal agreements with other law enforcement agencies;~~
 38 ~~(3) Statement of the projected costs over a specified period of time;~~
 39 ~~(4) If the requesting agency expects the person to provide evidence in any court of~~
 40 ~~competent jurisdiction;~~
 41 ~~(a) Brief statement of the anticipated evidence;~~
 42 ~~(b) Certification of a reasonable belief in the person's competency to give evidence;~~
 43 ~~(c) Statement of facts supporting the law enforcement agency's belief in the accuracy~~
 44 ~~of the evidence; and~~
 45 ~~(d) Any offer made in exchange for the person agreeing to give evidence.] Law~~
 46 **enforcement agencies and prosecuting or circuit attorneys' offices seeking**
 47 **reimbursement shall submit an application to be approved by the department of**
 48 **public safety.**

49 5. The application **and any associated documents** submitted in subsection 4 of this
 50 section shall be a closed record and not subject to disclosure under the provisions of chapter
 51 610. Any information contained in the application~~[, or]~~ **and** any other documents, which
 52 reveals or could reveal the location or address of the individual or individuals who qualify for
 53 services under this section shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed by any entity.

492.304. 1. In addition to the admissibility of a statement under the provisions of
 2 section 492.303, the visual and aural recording of a verbal or nonverbal statement of a child
 3 when under the age of ~~[fourteen who is alleged to be a victim of]~~ **eighteen or a vulnerable**
 4 **person, relating to** an offense under the provisions of chapter 565, 566 ~~[or]~~, 568, **or 573, if**
 5 **performed by another**, is admissible into evidence if:

6 (1) No attorney for either party was present when the statement was made; except
 7 that, for any statement taken at a state-funded child assessment center as provided for in
 8 subsection 2 of section 210.001, an attorney representing the state of Missouri in a criminal
 9 investigation may, as a member of a multidisciplinary investigation team, observe the taking
 10 of such statement, but such attorney shall not be present in the room where the interview is
 11 being conducted;

12 (2) The recording is both visual and aural and is recorded on film or videotape or by
 13 other electronic means;

14 (3) The recording equipment was capable of making an accurate recording, the
 15 operator of the equipment was competent, and the recording is accurate and has not been
 16 altered;

17 (4) The statement was not made in response to questioning calculated to lead the child
 18 **or vulnerable person** to make a particular statement or to act in a particular way;

19 (5) Every voice on the recording is identified;

20 (6) The person conducting the interview of the child **or vulnerable person** in the
21 recording, **or a current employee of a child assessment center if a child was recorded**, is
22 present at the proceeding and available to testify or be cross-examined by either party; and

23 (7) The defendant or the attorney for the defendant is afforded an opportunity to view
24 the recording before it is offered into evidence.

25 2. If the child **or vulnerable person** does not testify at the proceeding, the visual and
26 aural recording of a verbal or nonverbal statement of the child **or vulnerable person** shall not
27 be admissible under this section unless the recording qualifies for admission under section
28 491.075.

29 3. If the visual and aural recording of a verbal or nonverbal statement of a child **or**
30 **vulnerable person** is admissible under this section and the child **or vulnerable person**
31 testifies at the proceeding, it shall be admissible in addition to the testimony of the child **or**
32 **vulnerable person** at the proceeding whether or not it repeats or duplicates the child's **or**
33 **vulnerable person's** testimony.

34 4. As used in this section, a nonverbal statement shall be defined as any
35 demonstration of the child **or vulnerable person** by his or her actions, facial expressions,
36 demonstrations with a doll or other visual aid whether or not this demonstration is
37 accompanied by words.

38 **5. For the purposes of this section, "vulnerable person" shall mean a person**
39 **who, as a result of an inadequately developed or impaired intelligence or a psychiatric**
40 **disorder that materially affects the ability to function, lacks the mental capacity to**
41 **consent, or whose developmental level does not exceed that of an ordinary child of**
42 **seventeen years of age.**

537.046. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Childhood sexual abuse", any act committed by the defendant against the
3 plaintiff which act occurred when the plaintiff was under the age of eighteen years and which
4 act would have been a violation of section 566.030, 566.040, 566.050, 566.060, 566.070,
5 566.080, 566.090, 566.100, 566.110, or 566.120, or section 568.020;

6 (2) "Injury" or "illness", either a physical injury or illness or a psychological injury or
7 illness. A psychological injury or illness need not be accompanied by physical injury or
8 illness.

9 2. Any action to recover damages from injury or illness caused by childhood sexual
10 abuse in an action brought pursuant to this section shall be commenced within ten years of
11 the plaintiff attaining the age of twenty-one or within three years of the date the plaintiff
12 discovers, or reasonably should have discovered, that the injury or illness was caused by
13 childhood sexual abuse, whichever later occurs.

14 3. This section shall apply to any action commenced on or after August 28, [2004,
15 ~~including any action which would have been barred by the application of the statute of~~
16 ~~limitation applicable prior to that date]~~ 2025.

17 **4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a nondisclosure agreement by any**
18 **party to any child sexual abuse claim shall not be judicially enforceable in a dispute**
19 **involving any child sexual abuse claims and shall be null and void.**

 537.047. 1. Any person who, while a child or minor as defined by section 573.010,
2 was a victim of a violation of sections 573.023, 573.025, 573.035, or 573.037, and who
3 suffers physical or psychological injury or illness as a result of such violation, shall be
4 entitled to bring a civil action to recover the actual damages sustained as a result of the
5 violation, and shall also be entitled to recover the costs of the civil action and reasonable fees
6 for attorneys and expert witnesses. A psychological injury or illness as described under this
7 section need not be accompanied by physical injury or illness.

8 2. Any action described under this section shall be commenced within [~~ten~~] **twenty**
9 years of the plaintiff attaining the age of twenty-one, or within three years of the date the
10 plaintiff discovers that the injury or illness was caused by the violation of an offense
11 enumerated in subsection 1 of this section, whichever later occurs.

12 3. A cause of action under this section may arise only if the violation that caused the
13 injury occurs on or after August 28, [2007] 2025.

537.054. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 **(1) "Child sex trafficking", any act committed by the defendant against the**
3 **plaintiff that occurred when the plaintiff was under the age of eighteen years and that**
4 **would have been a violation of section 566.203, 566.206, 566.209, 566.210, 566.211, or**
5 **566.215;**

6 **(2) "Injury" or "illness", either a physical injury or illness or a psychological**
7 **injury or illness. A psychological injury or illness need not be accompanied by physical**
8 **injury or illness.**

9 **2. Any action to recover damages from injury or illness caused by child sex**
10 **trafficking in an action brought pursuant to this section shall be commenced within**
11 **twenty years of the plaintiff attaining the age of twenty-one or within three years of the**
12 **date the plaintiff discovers, or reasonably should have discovered, that the injury or**
13 **illness was caused by child sex trafficking.**

14 **3. This section shall apply to any action commenced on or after August 28, 2025.**

 542.301. 1. Property which comes into the custody of an officer or of a court as the
2 result of any seizure and which has not been forfeited pursuant to any other provisions of law
3 or returned to the claimant shall be disposed of as follows:

4 (1) Stolen property, or property acquired in any other manner declared an offense by
5 chapters 569 and 570, but not including any of the property referred to in subdivision (2) of
6 this subsection, shall be delivered by order of court upon claim having been made and
7 established, to the person who is entitled to possession:

8 (a) The claim shall be made by written motion filed with the court with which a
9 motion to suppress has been, or may be, filed. The claim shall be barred if not made within
10 one year from the date of the seizure;

11 (b) Upon the filing of such motion, the judge shall order notice to be given to all
12 persons interested in the property, including other claimants and the person from whose
13 possession the property was seized, of the time, place and nature of the hearing to be held on
14 the motion. The notice shall be given in a manner reasonably calculated to reach the attention
15 of all interested persons. Notice may be given to unknown persons and to persons whose
16 address is unknown by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. No
17 property shall be delivered to any claimant unless all interested persons have been given a
18 reasonable opportunity to appear and to be heard;

19 (c) After a hearing, the judge shall order the property delivered to the person or
20 persons entitled to possession, if any. The judge may direct that delivery of property required
21 as evidence in a criminal proceeding shall be postponed until the need no longer exists;

22 (d) A law enforcement officer having custody of seized property may, at any time that
23 seized property has ceased to be useful as evidence, request that the prosecuting attorney of
24 the county in which property was seized file a motion with the court of such county for the
25 disposition of the seized property. If the prosecuting attorney does not file such motion
26 within sixty days of the request by the law enforcement officer having custody of the seized
27 property, then such officer may request that the attorney general file a written motion with the
28 circuit court of the county or judicial district in which the seizure occurred. Upon filing of the
29 motion, the court shall issue an order directing the disposition of the property. Such
30 disposition may, if the property is not claimed within one year from the date of the seizure or
31 if no one establishes a right to it, and the seized property has ceased to be useful as evidence,
32 include a public sale of the property. Pursuant to a motion properly filed and granted under
33 this section, the proceeds of any sale, less necessary expenses of preservation and sale, shall
34 be paid into the county treasury for the use of the county. If the property is not salable, the
35 judge may order its destruction. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if no claim is
36 filed within one year of the seizure and no motion pursuant to this section is filed within six
37 months thereafter, and the seized property has ceased to be useful as evidence, the property
38 shall be deemed abandoned, converted to cash and shall be turned over immediately to the
39 treasurer pursuant to section 447.543;

40 (e) If the property is a living animal or is perishable, the judge may, at any time, order
41 it sold at public sale. The proceeds shall be held in lieu of the property. A written description
42 of the property sold shall be filed with the judge making the order of sale so that the claimant
43 may identify the property. If the proceeds are not claimed within the time limited for the
44 claim of the property, the proceeds shall be paid into the county treasury. If the property is
45 not salable, the judge may order its destruction.

46 (2) Weapons, tools, devices, computers, computer equipment, computer software,
47 computer hardware, cellular telephones, or other devices capable of accessing the internet,
48 and substances other than motor vehicles, aircraft or watercraft, used by the owner or with the
49 owner's consent as a means for committing felonies other than the offense of possessing
50 burglary tools in violation of section 569.180, and property, the possession of which is an
51 offense under the laws of this state or which has been used by the owner, or used with the
52 owner's acquiescence or consent, as a raw material or as an instrument to manufacture,
53 produce, or distribute, or be used as a means of storage of anything the possession of which is
54 an offense under the laws of this state, or which any statute authorizes or directs to be seized,
55 other than lawfully possessed weapons seized by an officer incident to an arrest, shall be
56 forfeited to the state of Missouri.

57 2. The officer who has custody of the property shall inform the prosecuting attorney
58 of the fact of seizure and of the nature of the property. The prosecuting attorney shall
59 thereupon file a written motion with the court with which the motion to suppress has been, or
60 may be, filed praying for an order directing the forfeiture of the property. If the prosecuting
61 attorney of a county in which property is seized fails to file a motion with the court for the
62 disposition of the seized property within sixty days of the request by a law enforcement
63 officer, the officer having custody of the seized property may request the attorney general to
64 file a written motion with the circuit court of the county or judicial district in which the
65 seizure occurred. Upon filing of the motion, the court shall issue an order directing the
66 disposition of the property. The signed motion shall be returned to the requesting agency. A
67 motion may also be filed by any person claiming the right to possession of the property
68 praying that the court declare the property not subject to forfeiture and order it delivered to
69 the moving party.

70 3. Upon the filing of a motion either by the prosecuting attorney or by a claimant, the
71 judge shall order notice to be given to all persons interested in the property, including the
72 person out of whose possession the property was seized and any lienors, of the time, place
73 and nature of the hearing to be held on the motion. The notice shall be given in a manner
74 reasonably calculated to reach the attention of all interested persons. Notice may be given to
75 unknown persons and to persons of unknown address by publication in a newspaper of
76 general circulation in the county. Every interested person shall be given a reasonable

77 opportunity to appear and to be heard as to the nature of the person's claim to the property and
78 upon the issue of whether or not it is subject to forfeiture.

79 4. If the evidence is clear and convincing that the property in issue is in fact of a kind
80 subject to forfeiture under this subsection, the judge shall declare it forfeited and order its
81 destruction or sale. The judge shall direct that the destruction or sale of property needed as
82 evidence in a criminal proceeding shall be postponed until this need no longer exists.

83 5. If the forfeited property can be put to a lawful use, it may be ordered sold after any
84 alterations which are necessary to adapt it to a lawful use have been made. In the case of
85 computers, computer equipment, computer software, computer hardware, cellular telephones,
86 or other devices capable of accessing the internet, or other devices used in the acquisition,
87 possession, or distribution of child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, child**
88 **sexual abuse material**, or obscene material, the law enforcement agency in possession of
89 such items may, upon court order, retain possession of such property and convert such
90 property to the use of the law enforcement agency for use in criminal investigations. If there
91 is a holder of a bona fide lien against property which has been used as a means for committing
92 an offense or which has been used as a raw material or as an instrument to manufacture or
93 produce anything which is an offense to possess, who establishes that the use was without the
94 lienholder's acquiescence or consent, the proceeds, less necessary expenses of preservation
95 and sale, shall be paid to the lienholder to the amount of the lienholder's lien. The remaining
96 amount shall be paid into the county treasury.

97 6. If the property is perishable the judge may order it sold at a public sale or
98 destroyed, as may be appropriate, prior to a hearing. The proceeds of a sale, less necessary
99 expenses of preservation and sale, shall be held in lieu of the property.

100 7. When a warrant has been issued to search for and seize allegedly obscene matter
101 for forfeiture to the state, after an adversary hearing, the judge, upon return of the warrant
102 with the matter seized, shall give notice of the fact to the prosecuting attorney of the county in
103 which the matter was seized and the dealer, exhibitor or displayer and shall conduct further
104 adversary proceedings to determine whether the matter is subject to forfeiture. If the evidence
105 is clear and convincing that the matter is obscene as defined by law and it was being held or
106 displayed for sale, exhibition, distribution or circulation to the public, the judge shall declare
107 it to be obscene and forfeited to the state and order its destruction or other disposition; except
108 that, no forfeiture shall be declared without the dealer, distributor or displayer being given a
109 reasonable opportunity to appear in opposition and without the judge having thoroughly
110 examined each item. If the material to be seized is the same as or another copy of matter that
111 has already been determined to be obscene in a criminal proceeding against the dealer,
112 exhibitor, displayer or such person's agent, the determination of obscenity in the criminal
113 proceeding shall constitute clear and convincing evidence that the matter to be forfeited

114 pursuant to this subsection is obscene. Except when the dealer, exhibitor or displayer
115 consents to a longer period, or by such person's actions or pleadings willfully prevents the
116 prompt resolution of the hearing, judgment shall be rendered within ten days of the return of
117 the warrant. If the matter is not found to be obscene or is not found to have been held or
118 displayed for sale, exhibition or distribution to the public, or a judgment is not entered within
119 the time provided for, the matter shall be restored forthwith to the dealer, exhibitor or
120 displayer.

121 8. If an appeal is taken by the dealer, exhibitor or displayer from an adverse judgment,
122 the case should be assigned for hearing at the earliest practicable date and expedited in every
123 way. Destruction or disposition of a matter declared forfeited shall be postponed until the
124 judgment has become final by exhaustion of appeal, or by expiration of the time for appeal,
125 and until the matter is no longer needed as evidence in a criminal proceeding.

126 9. A determination of obscenity, pursuant to this subsection, shall not be admissible in
127 any criminal proceeding against any person or corporation for sale or possession of obscene
128 matter; except that dealer, distributor or displayer from which the obscene matter was seized
129 for forfeiture to the state.

130 10. When allegedly obscene matter or pornographic material for minors has been
131 seized under a search warrant issued pursuant to subsection 2 of section 542.281 and the
132 matter is no longer needed as evidence in a criminal proceeding the prosecuting attorney of
133 the county in which the matter was seized may file a written motion with the circuit court of
134 the county or judicial district in which the seizure occurred praying for an order directing the
135 forfeiture of the matter. Upon filing of the motion, the court shall set a date for a hearing.
136 Written notice of date, time, place and nature of the hearing shall be personally served upon
137 the owner, dealer, exhibitor, displayer or such person's agent. Such notice shall be served no
138 less than five days before the hearing.

139 11. If the evidence is clear and convincing that the matter is obscene as defined by
140 law, and that the obscene material was being held or displayed for sale, exhibition,
141 distribution or circulation to the public or that the matter is pornographic for minors and that
142 the pornographic material was being held or displayed for sale, exhibition, distribution or
143 circulation to minors, the judge shall declare it to be obscene or pornographic for minors and
144 forfeited to the state and order its destruction or other disposition. A determination that the
145 matter is obscene in a criminal proceeding as well as a determination that such obscene
146 material was held or displayed for sale, exhibition, distribution or circulation to the public or a
147 determination that the matter is pornographic for minors in a criminal proceeding as well as a
148 determination that such pornographic material was held or displayed for sale, exhibition,
149 distribution or circulation to minors shall be clear and convincing evidence that such material
150 should be forfeited to the state; except that, no forfeiture shall be declared without the dealer,

151 distributor or displayer being given a reasonable opportunity to appear in opposition and
 152 without a judge having thoroughly examined each item. A dealer, distributor or displayer
 153 shall have had reasonable opportunity to appear in opposition if the matter the prosecutor
 154 seeks to destroy is the same matter that formed the basis of a criminal proceeding against the
 155 dealer, distributor or displayer where the dealer, distributor or displayer has been charged and
 156 found guilty of holding or displaying for sale, exhibiting, distributing or circulating obscene
 157 material to the public or pornographic material for minors to minors. If the matter is not
 158 found to be obscene, or if obscene material is not found to have been held or displayed for
 159 sale, exhibition, distribution or circulation to the public, or if the matter is not found to be
 160 pornographic for minors or if pornographic material is not found to have been held or
 161 displayed for sale, exhibition, distribution or circulation to minors, the matter shall be restored
 162 forthwith to the dealer, exhibitor or displayer.

163 12. If an appeal is taken by the dealer, exhibitor or displayer from an adverse
 164 judgment, the case shall be assigned for hearing at the earliest practicable date and expedited
 165 in every way. Destruction or disposition of matter declared forfeited shall be postponed until
 166 the judgment has become final by exhaustion of appeal, or by expiration of the time for
 167 appeal, and until the matter is no longer needed as evidence in a criminal proceeding.

168 13. A determination of obscenity shall not be admissible in any criminal proceeding
 169 against any person or corporation for sale or possession of obscene matter.

170 14. An appeal by any party shall be allowed from the judgment of the court as in other
 171 civil actions.

172 15. All other property still in the custody of an officer or of a court as the result of any
 173 seizure and which has not been forfeited pursuant to this section or any other provision of law
 174 after three years following the seizure and which has ceased to be useful as evidence shall be
 175 deemed abandoned, converted to cash and shall be turned over immediately to the treasurer
 176 pursuant to section 447.543.

556.039. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 556.036, prosecutions:

2 (1) Under sections 566.203 to 566.211 involving a person nineteen years of age or
 3 older; or

4 (2) Under section 566.203 or 566.206 involving a person under nineteen years of
 5 age

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7 shall be commenced no later than twenty years after the commission of the offense.

566.010. As used in this chapter and chapter 568, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Aggravated sexual offense", any sexual offense, in the course of which, the actor:

3 (a) Inflicts serious physical injury on the victim;

4 (b) Displays a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument in a threatening manner;

5 (c) Subjects the victim to sexual intercourse or deviate sexual intercourse with more
6 than one person;

7 (d) Had previously been found guilty of an offense under this chapter or under section
8 573.200, child used in sexual performance; section 573.205, promoting sexual performance
9 by a child; section 573.023, sexual exploitation of a minor; section 573.025, promoting child
10 pornography in the first degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child**
11 **sexual abuse material in the first degree**; section 573.035, promoting child pornography in
12 the second degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child sexual abuse**
13 **material in the second degree**; section 573.037, possession of child pornography **as it**
14 **existed prior to August 28, 2025, or possession of child sexual abuse material**; or section
15 573.040, furnishing pornographic materials to minors; or has previously been found guilty of
16 an offense in another jurisdiction which would constitute an offense under this chapter or said
17 sections;

18 (e) Commits the offense as part of an act or series of acts performed by two or more
19 persons as part of an established or prescribed pattern of activity; or

20 (f) Engages in the act that constitutes the offense with a person the actor knows to be,
21 without regard to legitimacy, the actor's:

22 a. Ancestor or descendant by blood or adoption;

23 b. Stepchild while the marriage creating that relationship exists;

24 c. Brother or sister of the whole or half blood; or

25 d. Uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece of the whole blood;

26 (2) "Commercial sex act", any sex act on account of which anything of value is given
27 to or received by any person;

28 (3) "Deviate sexual intercourse", any act involving the genitals of one person and the
29 hand, mouth, tongue, or anus of another person or a sexual act involving the penetration,
30 however slight, of the penis, female genitalia, or the anus by a finger, instrument or object
31 done for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person or for the
32 purpose of terrorizing the victim;

33 (4) "Forced labor", a condition of servitude induced by means of:

34 (a) Any scheme, plan, or pattern of behavior intended to cause a person to believe
35 that, if the person does not enter into or continue the servitude, such person or another person
36 will suffer substantial bodily harm or physical restraint; or

37 (b) The abuse or threatened abuse of the legal process;

38 (5) "Sexual conduct", sexual intercourse, deviate sexual intercourse or sexual contact;

39 (6) "Sexual contact", any touching of another person with the genitals or any touching
40 of the genitals or anus of another person, or the breast of a female person, or such touching
41 through the clothing, or causing semen, seminal fluid, or other ejaculate to come into contact

42 with another person, for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person
43 or for the purpose of terrorizing the victim;

44 (7) "Sexual intercourse", any penetration, however slight, of the female genitalia by
45 the penis.

566.147. 1. Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been or hereafter has been found
2 guilty of:

3 (1) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or the provisions of section
4 568.020, incest; section 568.045, endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree;
5 subsection 2 of section 568.080 as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or section 573.200, use
6 of a child in a sexual performance; section 568.090 as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or
7 section 573.205, promoting a sexual performance by a child; section 573.023, sexual
8 exploitation of a minor; section 573.025, promoting child pornography in the first degree **as it**
9 **existed prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child sexual abuse material in the first**
10 **degree**; section 573.035, promoting child pornography in the second degree **as it existed**
11 **prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child sexual abuse material in the second degree**;
12 section 573.037, possession of child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or**
13 **possession of child sexual abuse material**; or section 573.040, furnishing pornographic
14 material to minors; or

15 (2) Any offense in any other jurisdiction which, if committed in this state, would be a
16 violation listed in this section;

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18 shall not reside within one thousand feet of any public school as defined in section 160.011,
19 any private school giving instruction in a grade or grades not higher than the twelfth grade, or
20 any child care facility that is licensed under chapter 210, or any child care facility as defined
21 in section 210.201 that is exempt from state licensure but subject to state regulation under
22 section 210.252 and holds itself out to be a child care facility, where the school or facility is in
23 existence at the time the individual begins to reside at the location. Such person shall also not
24 reside within one thousand feet of the property line of the residence of a former victim of such
25 person.

26 2. If such person has already established a residence and a public school, a private
27 school, or child care facility is subsequently built or placed within one thousand feet of such
28 person's residence, or a former victim subsequently resides on property with a property line
29 within one thousand feet of such person's residence, then such person shall, within one week
30 of the opening of such public school, private school, or child care facility, or the former
31 victim residing on the property, notify the county sheriff where such public school, private
32 school, child care facility, or residence of a former victim is located that he or she is now
33 residing within one thousand feet of such public school, private school, child care facility, or

34 property line of the residence of a former victim, and shall provide verifiable proof to the
35 sheriff that he or she resided there prior to the opening of such public school, private school,
36 or child care facility, or the former victim residing on the property.

37 3. For purposes of this section, "resides" means sleeps in a residence, which may
38 include more than one location and may be mobile or transitory, but shall not include
39 transitory or longer term presence in facilities licensed under chapters 197 and 198 for
40 purposes of receiving care, treatment, or services from such licensed facility.

41 4. For the purposes of ~~[the]~~ **this** section, one thousand feet shall be measured from the
42 edge of the offender's property nearest the public school, private school, child care facility, or
43 former victim to the nearest edge of the public school, private school, child care facility, or
44 former victim's property.

45 5. Violation of the provisions of subsection 1 of this section is a class E felony except
46 that the second or any subsequent violation is a class B felony. Violation of the provisions of
47 subsection 2 of this section is a class A misdemeanor except that the second or subsequent
48 violation is a class E felony.

566.148. 1. Any person who has been found guilty of:

2 (1) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or the provisions of section
3 568.020, incest; section 568.045, endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree;
4 subsection 2 of section 568.080 as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or section 573.200, use
5 of a child in a sexual performance; section 568.090 as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or
6 section 573.205, promoting a sexual performance by a child; section 573.023, sexual
7 exploitation of a minor; section 573.025, promoting child pornography in the first degree **as it**
8 **existed prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child sexual abuse material in the first**
9 **degree**; section 573.035, promoting child pornography in the second degree **as it existed**
10 **prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child sexual abuse material in the second degree**;
11 section 573.037, possession of child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or**
12 **possession of child sexual abuse material**; or section 573.040, furnishing pornographic
13 material to minors; or

14 (2) Any offense in any other jurisdiction which, if committed in this state, would be a
15 violation listed in this section;

16

17 shall not knowingly be physically present in or loiter within five hundred feet of or to
18 approach, contact, or communicate with any child under eighteen years of age in any child
19 care facility building, on the real property comprising any child care facility when persons
20 under the age of eighteen are present in the building, on the grounds, or in the conveyance,
21 unless the offender is a parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a student present in the building
22 or on the grounds.

23 2. For purposes of this section, "child care facility" shall include any child care
24 facility licensed under chapter 210, or any child care facility that is exempt from state
25 licensure but subject to state regulation under section 210.252 and holds itself out to be a
26 child care facility.

27 3. Violation of the provisions of this section is a class A misdemeanor.

566.149. 1. Any person who has been found guilty of:

2 (1) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or the provisions of section
3 568.020, incest; section 568.045, endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree;
4 subsection 2 of section 568.080 as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or section 573.200, use
5 of a child in a sexual performance; section 568.090 as it existed prior to January 1, 2017, or
6 section 573.205, promoting a sexual performance by a child; section 573.023, sexual
7 exploitation of a minor; section 573.037, possession of child pornography **as it existed prior**
8 **to August 28, 2025, or possession of child sexual abuse material**; section 573.025,
9 promoting child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child**
10 **sexual abuse material**; or section 573.040, furnishing pornographic material to minors; or

11 (2) Any offense in any other jurisdiction which, if committed in this state, would be a
12 violation listed in this section;

13

14 shall not be present in or loiter within five hundred feet of any school building, on real
15 property comprising any school, or in any conveyance owned, leased, or contracted by a
16 school to transport students to or from school or a school-related activity when persons under
17 the age of eighteen are present in the building, on the grounds, or in the conveyance, unless
18 the offender is a parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a student present in the building and
19 has met the conditions set forth in subsection 2 of this section.

20 2. No parent, legal guardian, or custodian who has been found guilty of violating any
21 of the offenses listed in subsection 1 of this section shall be present in any school building, on
22 real property comprising any school, or in any conveyance owned, leased, or contracted by a
23 school to transport students to or from school or a school-related activity when persons under
24 the age of eighteen are present in the building, on the grounds or in the conveyance unless the
25 parent, legal guardian, or custodian has permission to be present from the superintendent or
26 school board or in the case of a private school from the principal. In the case of a public
27 school, if permission is granted, the superintendent or school board president must inform the
28 principal of the school where the sex offender will be present. Permission may be granted by
29 the superintendent, school board, or in the case of a private school from the principal for more
30 than one event at a time, such as a series of events, however, the parent, legal guardian, or
31 custodian must obtain permission for any other event he or she wishes to attend for which he
32 or she has not yet had permission granted.

33 3. Regardless of the person's knowledge of his or her proximity to school property or
34 a school-related activity, violation of the provisions of this section is a class A misdemeanor.

566.150. 1. Any person who has been found guilty of:

2 (1) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or the provisions of section
3 568.020, incest; section 568.045, endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree;
4 section 573.200, use of a child in a sexual performance; section 573.205, promoting a sexual
5 performance by a child; section 573.023, sexual exploitation of a minor; section 573.025,
6 promoting child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child**
7 **sexual abuse material**; section 573.037, possession of child pornography **as it existed prior**
8 **to August 28, 2025, or possession of child sexual abuse material**; or section 573.040,
9 furnishing pornographic material to minors; or

10 (2) Any offense in any other jurisdiction which, if committed in this state, would be a
11 violation listed in this section;

12

13 shall not knowingly be present in or loiter within five hundred feet of any real property
14 comprising any public park with playground equipment, a public swimming pool, athletic
15 complex or athletic fields if such facilities exist for the primary use of recreation for children,
16 any museum if such museum holds itself out to the public as and exists with the primary
17 purpose of entertaining or educating children under eighteen years of age, or Missouri
18 department of conservation nature or education center properties.

19 2. The first violation of the provisions of this section is a class E felony.

20 3. A second or subsequent violation of this section is a class D felony.

21 4. Any person who has been found guilty of an offense under subdivision (1) or (2) of
22 subsection 1 of this section who is the parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a child under the
23 age of eighteen attending a program on the property of a nature or education center of the
24 Missouri department of conservation may receive permission from the nature or education
25 center manager to be present on the property with the child during the program.

566.151. 1. A person twenty-one years of age or older commits the offense of
2 enticement of a child if he or she persuades, solicits, coaxes, entices, or lures whether by
3 words, actions or through communication via the internet or any electronic communication,
4 any person who is less than ~~fifteen~~ **seventeen** years of age for the purpose of engaging in
5 sexual conduct.

6 2. It is not a defense to a prosecution for a violation of this section that the other
7 person was a peace officer masquerading as a minor.

8 3. Enticement of a child or an attempt to commit enticement of a child is a felony for
9 which the authorized term of imprisonment shall be not less than five years and not more than
10 thirty years. No person convicted under this section shall be eligible for parole, probation,

11 conditional release, or suspended imposition or execution of sentence for a period of five
12 calendar years.

566.155. 1. Any person who has been found guilty of:

2 (1) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or the provisions of section
3 568.020, incest; section 568.045, endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree;
4 section 573.200, use of a child in a sexual performance; section 573.205, promoting a sexual
5 performance by a child; section 573.023, sexual exploitation of a minor; section 573.037,
6 possession of child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or possession of**
7 **child sexual abuse material**; section 573.025, promoting child pornography **as it existed**
8 **prior to August 28, 2025, or promoting child sexual abuse material**; or section 573.040,
9 furnishing pornographic material to minors; or

10 (2) Any offense in any other jurisdiction which, if committed in this state, would be a
11 violation listed in this section;

12

13 shall not serve as an athletic coach, manager, or athletic trainer for any sports team in which a
14 child less than seventeen years of age is a member or shall not supervise or employ any child
15 under eighteen years of age.

16 2. The first violation of the provisions of this section is a class E felony.

17 3. A second or subsequent violation of this section is a class D felony.

566.201. A prosecuting or circuit attorney may request assistance from the
2 **attorney general, or one of his or her assistants, to assist in the prosecution of child sex**
3 **trafficking cases. The prosecuting or circuit attorney may request any resource or**
4 **capability of the attorney general when prosecuting such cases.**

566.210. 1. A person commits the offense of sexual trafficking of a child in the first
2 degree if he or she knowingly:

3 (1) Recruits, entices, harbors, transports, provides, or obtains by any means, including
4 but not limited to through the use of force, abduction, coercion, fraud, deception, blackmail,
5 or causing or threatening to cause financial harm, a person under the age of [~~twelve~~] **fourteen**
6 to participate in a commercial sex act, a sexual performance, or the production of explicit
7 sexual material as defined in section 573.010, or benefits, financially or by receiving anything
8 of value, from participation in such activities;

9 (2) Causes a person under the age of [~~twelve~~] **fourteen** to engage in a commercial sex
10 act, a sexual performance, or the production of explicit sexual material as defined in section
11 573.010; or

12 (3) Advertises the availability of a person under the age of [~~twelve~~] **fourteen** to
13 participate in a commercial sex act, a sexual performance, or the production of explicit sexual
14 material as defined in section 573.010.

15 2. It shall not be a defense that the defendant believed that the person was [~~twelve~~
16 **fourteen** years of age or older.

17 3. The offense of sexual trafficking of a child in the first degree is a felony for which
18 the authorized term of imprisonment is life imprisonment without eligibility for probation or
19 parole until the offender has served not less than [~~twenty-five~~] **thirty** years of such sentence.
20 Subsection 4 of section 558.019 shall not apply to the sentence of a person who has been
21 found guilty of sexual trafficking of a child less than [~~twelve~~] **fourteen** years of age, and "life
22 imprisonment" shall mean imprisonment for the duration of a person's natural life for the
23 purposes of this section.

 566.211. 1. A person commits the offense of sexual trafficking of a child in the
2 second degree if he or she knowingly:

3 (1) Recruits, entices, harbors, transports, provides, or obtains by any means, including
4 but not limited to through the use of force, abduction, coercion, fraud, deception, blackmail,
5 or causing or threatening to cause financial harm, a person under the age of eighteen to
6 participate in a commercial sex act, a sexual performance, or the production of explicit sexual
7 material as defined in section 573.010, or benefits, financially or by receiving anything of
8 value, from participation in such activities;

9 (2) Causes a person under the age of eighteen to engage in a commercial sex act, a
10 sexual performance, or the production of explicit sexual material as defined in section
11 573.010; or

12 (3) Advertises the availability of a person under the age of eighteen to participate in a
13 commercial sex act, a sexual performance, or the production of explicit sexual material as
14 defined in section 573.010.

15 2. It shall not be a defense that the defendant believed that the person was eighteen
16 years of age or older.

17 3. **(1)** The offense of sexual trafficking of a child in the second degree is a felony
18 punishable by imprisonment for a term of years not less than [~~ten~~] **fifteen** years or life and a
19 fine not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars if the child is under the age of eighteen.
20 If a violation of this section was effected by force, abduction, or coercion, the crime of sexual
21 trafficking of a child shall be a felony for which the authorized term of imprisonment is life
22 imprisonment without eligibility for probation or parole until the defendant has served not
23 less than [~~twenty-five~~] **thirty** years of such sentence.

24 **(2) The offense of sexual trafficking of a child in the second degree by a parent,**
25 **legal guardian, or other person having custody or control of a child is a felony for which**
26 **the authorized term of imprisonment is life imprisonment. As used in this subdivision,**
27 **"life imprisonment" shall mean imprisonment for the duration of a person's natural**
28 **life.**

566.218. 1. Notwithstanding sections 557.011, 558.019, and 559.021, a person found
2 guilty of violating any provisions of section 566.203, 566.206, 566.209, 566.210, 566.211,
3 566.212, 566.213, or 566.215 shall be ordered by the sentencing court to pay restitution to the
4 victim of the offense regardless of whether the defendant is sentenced to a term of
5 imprisonment or probation. The minimum restitution ordered by the court shall be in the
6 amount determined by the court necessary to compensate the victim for the value of the
7 victim's labor and/or for the mental and physical rehabilitation of the victim and any child of
8 the victim.

9 **2. Any real or personal property that was used, attempted to be used, or**
10 **intended to be used by the defendant in violating a section listed under subsection 1 of**
11 **this section may be seized. If such property is seized, the property shall be forfeited as**
12 **provided under section 513.607. After satisfying any liens on the property, the**
13 **remaining proceeds from the sale of any property seized under this subsection that was**
14 **owned by a defendant convicted of violating a section listed under subsection 1 of this**
15 **section shall first be allocated to pay any order of restitution to a victim of human**
16 **trafficking in the criminal case for which the defendant was convicted. If there are**
17 **multiple victims of human trafficking in the criminal case, the remaining proceeds shall**
18 **be allocated equally among the victims to pay restitution. If the proceeds are sufficient**
19 **to pay any such order of restitution, any remaining proceeds shall be deposited into the**
20 **commercial sexual exploitation of children education and awareness fund under section**
21 **210.1505.**

567.030. 1. A person commits the offense of patronizing prostitution if he or she:

2 (1) Pursuant to a prior understanding, gives something of value to another person as
3 compensation for having engaged in sexual conduct with any person; or

4 (2) Gives or agrees to give something of value to another person with the
5 understanding that such person or another person will engage in sexual conduct with any
6 person; or

7 (3) Solicits or requests another person to engage in sexual conduct with any person in
8 return for something of value.

9 2. It shall not be a defense that the person believed that the individual he or she
10 patronized for prostitution was eighteen years of age or older.

11 3. The offense of patronizing prostitution is a class B misdemeanor, unless the
12 individual who the person patronizes is less than eighteen years of age but older than
13 ~~fourteen~~ **fifteen** years of age, in which case patronizing prostitution is a class E felony.

14 4. The offense of patronizing prostitution is a class ~~D~~ **B** felony if the individual who
15 the person patronizes is ~~fourteen~~ **fifteen** years of age or younger. Nothing in this section
16 shall preclude the prosecution of an individual for the offenses of:

- 17 (1) Statutory rape in the first degree pursuant to section 566.032;
18 (2) Statutory rape in the second degree pursuant to section 566.034;
19 (3) Statutory sodomy in the first degree pursuant to section 566.062; or
20 (4) Statutory sodomy in the second degree pursuant to section 566.064.

573.010. As used in this chapter the following terms shall mean:

- 2 (1) "Adult cabaret", a nightclub, bar, juice bar, restaurant, bottle club, or other
3 commercial establishment, regardless of whether alcoholic beverages are served, which
4 regularly features persons who appear semi-nude;
- 5 (2) "Characterized by", describing the essential character or dominant theme of an
6 item;
- 7 (3) "Child", any person under the age of fourteen;
- 8 (4) "Child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material**":
9 (a) Any obscene material or performance depicting sexual conduct, sexual contact as
10 defined in section 566.010, or a sexual performance and which has as one of its participants or
11 portrays as an observer of such conduct, contact, or performance a minor; ~~[or]~~
- 12 (b) Any visual depiction, including any photograph, film, video, picture, or computer
13 or computer-generated image or picture, whether made or produced by electronic,
14 mechanical, or other means, of sexually explicit conduct where:
15 a. The production of such visual depiction involves the use of a minor engaging in
16 sexually explicit conduct;
17 b. Such visual depiction is a digital image, computer image, or computer-generated
18 image that is, or is indistinguishable from, that of a minor engaging in sexually explicit
19 conduct, in that the depiction is such that an ordinary person viewing the depiction would
20 conclude that the depiction is of an actual minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct; or
21 c. Such visual depiction has been created, adapted, or modified to show that an
22 identifiable minor is engaging in sexually explicit conduct. "Identifiable minor" means a
23 person who was a minor at the time the visual depiction was created, adapted, or modified; or
24 whose image as a minor was used in creating, adapting, or modifying the visual depiction;
25 and who is recognizable as an actual person by the person's face, likeness, or other
26 distinguishing characteristic, such as a unique birthmark or other recognizable feature. The
27 term identifiable minor shall not be construed to require proof of the actual identity of the
28 identifiable minor; **or**
- 29 (c) **Any anatomically correct doll, mannequin, or robot, or any other item, with**
30 **features of, or with features that resemble those of, a minor under eighteen years of age,**
31 **intended to be used for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any**
32 **person, or for the purpose of terrorizing or causing emotional distress to any person;**

33 (5) "Employ", "employee", or "employment", any person who performs any service
34 on the premises of a sexually oriented business, on a full-time, part-time, or contract basis,
35 whether or not the person is denominated an employee, independent contractor, agent, or
36 otherwise. Employee does not include a person exclusively on the premises for repair or
37 maintenance of the premises or for the delivery of goods to the premises;

38 (6) "Explicit sexual material", any pictorial or three-dimensional material depicting
39 human masturbation, deviate sexual intercourse, sexual intercourse, direct physical
40 stimulation or unclothed genitals, sadomasochistic abuse, or emphasizing the depiction of
41 postpubertal human genitals; provided, however, that works of art or of anthropological
42 significance shall not be deemed to be within the foregoing definition;

43 (7) "Furnish", to issue, sell, give, provide, lend, mail, deliver, transfer, circulate,
44 disseminate, present, exhibit or otherwise provide;

45 (8) "Material", anything printed or written, or any picture, drawing, photograph,
46 motion picture film, videotape or videotape production, or pictorial representation, or any
47 recording or transcription, or any mechanical, chemical, or electrical reproduction, or stored
48 computer data, or anything which is or may be used as a means of communication. Material
49 includes undeveloped photographs, molds, printing plates, stored computer data and other
50 latent representational objects;

51 (9) "Minor", any person less than eighteen years of age;

52 (10) "Nudity" or "state of nudity", the showing of the human genitals, pubic area,
53 vulva, anus, anal cleft, or the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering of any part
54 of the nipple or areola;

55 (11) "Obscene", any material or performance if, taken as a whole:

56 (a) Applying contemporary community standards, its predominant appeal is to
57 prurient interest in sex; and

58 (b) The average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find the
59 material depicts or describes sexual conduct in a patently offensive way; and

60 (c) A reasonable person would find the material lacks serious literary, artistic,
61 political or scientific value;

62 (12) "Operator", any person on the premises of a sexually oriented business who
63 causes the business to function, puts or keeps the business in operation, or is authorized to
64 manage the business or exercise overall operational control of the business premises. A
65 person may be found to be operating or causing to be operated a sexually oriented business
66 whether or not such person is an owner, part owner, or licensee of the business;

67 (13) "Performance", any play, motion picture film, videotape, dance or exhibition
68 performed before an audience of one or more;

69 (14) "Pornographic for minors", any material or performance if the following apply:

70 (a) The average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find
71 that the material or performance, taken as a whole, has a tendency to cater or appeal to a
72 prurient interest of minors; and

73 (b) The material or performance depicts or describes nudity, sexual conduct, the
74 condition of human genitals when in a state of sexual stimulation or arousal, or
75 sadomasochistic abuse in a way which is patently offensive to the average person applying
76 contemporary adult community standards with respect to what is suitable for minors; and

77 (c) The material or performance, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic,
78 political, or scientific value for minors;

79 (15) "Premises", the real property upon which a sexually oriented business is located,
80 and all appurtenances thereto and buildings thereon, including but not limited to the sexually
81 oriented business, the grounds, private walkways, and parking lots or parking garages or both;

82 (16) "Promote", to manufacture, issue, sell, provide, mail, deliver, transfer, transmute,
83 publish, distribute, circulate, disseminate, present, exhibit, or advertise, or to offer or agree to
84 do the same, by any means including a computer;

85 (17) "Regularly", the consistent and repeated doing of the act so described;

86 (18) "Sadomasochistic abuse", flagellation or torture by or upon a person as an act of
87 sexual stimulation or gratification;

88 (19) "Semi-nude" or "state of semi-nudity", the showing of the female breast below a
89 horizontal line across the top of the areola and extending across the width of the breast at such
90 point, or the showing of the male or female buttocks. Such definition includes the lower
91 portion of the human female breast, but shall not include any portion of the cleavage of the
92 female breasts exhibited by a bikini, dress, blouse, shirt, leotard, or similar wearing apparel
93 provided the areola is not exposed in whole or in part;

94 (20) "Sexual conduct", actual or simulated, normal or perverted acts of human
95 masturbation; deviate sexual intercourse; sexual intercourse; or physical contact with a
96 person's clothed or unclothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or the breast of a female in an act
97 of apparent sexual stimulation or gratification or any sadomasochistic abuse or acts including
98 animals or any latent objects in an act of apparent sexual stimulation or gratification;

99 (21) "Sexually explicit conduct", actual or simulated:

100 (a) Sexual intercourse, including genital-genital, oral-genital, anal-genital, or oral-
101 anal, whether between persons of the same or opposite sex;

102 (b) Bestiality;

103 (c) Masturbation;

104 (d) Sadistic or masochistic abuse; or

105 (e) Lascivious exhibition of the genitals or pubic area of any person;

106 (22) "Sexually oriented business" includes:

- 107 (a) An adult bookstore or adult video store. "Adult bookstore" or "adult video store"
108 means a commercial establishment which, as one of its principal business activities, offers for
109 sale or rental for any form of consideration any one or more of the following: books,
110 magazines, periodicals, or other printed matter, or photographs, films, motion pictures, video
111 cassettes, compact discs, digital video discs, slides, or other visual representations which are
112 characterized by their emphasis upon the display of specified sexual activities or specified
113 anatomical areas. A principal business activity exists where the commercial establishment:
114 a. Has a substantial portion of its displayed merchandise which consists of such
115 items; or
116 b. Has a substantial portion of the wholesale value of its displayed merchandise
117 which consists of such items; or
118 c. Has a substantial portion of the retail value of its displayed merchandise which
119 consists of such items; or
120 d. Derives a substantial portion of its revenues from the sale or rental, for any form of
121 consideration, of such items; or
122 e. Maintains a substantial section of its interior business space for the sale or rental of
123 such items; or
124 f. Maintains an adult arcade. "Adult arcade" means any place to which the public is
125 permitted or invited wherein coin-operated or slug-operated or electronically, electrically, or
126 mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other image-
127 producing devices are regularly maintained to show images to five or fewer persons per
128 machine at any one time, and where the images so displayed are characterized by their
129 emphasis upon matter exhibiting specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas;
130 (b) An adult cabaret;
131 (c) An adult motion picture theater. "Adult motion picture theater" means a
132 commercial establishment where films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or similar
133 photographic reproductions, which are characterized by their emphasis upon the display of
134 specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas are regularly shown to more than five
135 persons for any form of consideration;
136 (d) A semi-nude model studio. "Semi-nude model studio" means a place where
137 persons regularly appear in a state of semi-nudity for money or any form of consideration in
138 order to be observed, sketched, drawn, painted, sculptured, photographed, or similarly
139 depicted by other persons. Such definition shall not apply to any place where persons
140 appearing in a state of semi-nudity do so in a modeling class operated:
141 a. By a college, junior college, or university supported entirely or partly by taxation;

142 b. By a private college or university which maintains and operates educational
 143 programs in which credits are transferable to a college, junior college, or university supported
 144 entirely or partly by taxation; or

145 c. In a structure:

146 (i) Which has no sign visible from the exterior of the structure and no other
 147 advertising that indicates a semi-nude person is available for viewing; and

148 (ii) Where, in order to participate in a class, a student must enroll at least three days in
 149 advance of the class;

150 (e) A sexual encounter center. "Sexual encounter center" means a business or
 151 commercial enterprise that, as one of its principal purposes, purports to offer for any form of
 152 consideration physical contact in the form of wrestling or tumbling between two or more
 153 persons when one or more of the persons is semi-nude;

154 (23) "Sexual performance", any performance, or part thereof, which includes sexual
 155 conduct by a child who is less than eighteen years of age;

156 (24) "Specified anatomical areas" include:

157 (a) Less than completely and opaquely covered: human genitals, pubic region,
 158 buttock, and female breast below a point immediately above the top of the areola; and

159 (b) Human male genitals in a discernibly turgid state, even if completely and
 160 opaquely covered;

161 (25) "Specified sexual activity", includes any of the following:

162 (a) Intercourse, oral copulation, masturbation, or sodomy; or

163 (b) Excretory functions as a part of or in connection with any of the activities
 164 described in paragraph (a) of this subdivision;

165 (26) "Substantial", at least thirty percent of the item or items so modified;

166 (27) "Visual depiction", includes undeveloped film and videotape, and data stored on
 167 computer disk or by electronic means which is capable of conversion into a visual image.

573.023. 1. A person commits the offense of sexual exploitation of a minor if such
 2 person knowingly or recklessly photographs, films, videotapes, produces or otherwise creates
 3 obscene material with a minor or child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material**.

4 2. The offense of sexual exploitation of a minor is a class B felony unless the minor is
 5 a child, in which case it is a class A felony.

573.025. 1. A person commits the offense of promoting child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual**
 2 **abuse material** in the first degree if, knowing of its content and character, such person
 3 possesses with the intent to promote or promotes child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material**
 4 of a child less than fourteen years of age or obscene material portraying what appears to be a
 5 child less than fourteen years of age.

6 2. The offense of promoting child [pornography] **sexual abuse material** in the first
7 degree is a class B felony unless the person knowingly promotes such material to a minor, in
8 which case it is a class A felony. No person who is found guilty of promoting child
9 [pornography] **sexual abuse material** in the first degree shall be eligible for probation,
10 parole, or conditional release for a period of three calendar years.

11 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a provider of electronic
12 communication services or remote computing services to monitor any user, subscriber or
13 customer of the provider, or the content of any communication of any user, subscriber or
14 customer of the provider.

573.035. 1. A person commits the offense of promoting child [pornography] **sexual**
2 **abuse material** in the second degree if, knowing of its content and character, such person
3 possesses with the intent to promote or promotes child [pornography] **sexual abuse material**
4 of a minor under the age of eighteen or obscene material portraying what appears to be a
5 minor under the age of eighteen.

6 2. The offense of promoting child [pornography] **sexual abuse material** in the
7 second degree is a class D felony unless the person knowingly promotes such material to a
8 minor, in which case it is a class B felony. No person who is found guilty of promoting child
9 [pornography] **sexual abuse material** in the second degree shall be eligible for probation.

573.037. 1. A person commits the offense of possession of child [pornography]
2 **sexual abuse material** if such person knowingly or recklessly possesses any child
3 [pornography] **sexual abuse material** of a minor less than eighteen years of age or obscene
4 material portraying what appears to be a minor less than eighteen years of age.

5 2. The offense of possession of child [pornography] **sexual abuse material** is a class
6 D felony if the person possesses one still image of child [pornography] **sexual abuse**
7 **material** or one obscene still image. The offense of possession of child [pornography] **sexual**
8 **abuse material** is a class B felony if the person:

- 9 (1) Possesses:
- 10 (a) More than twenty still images of child [pornography] **sexual abuse material**; or
- 11 (b) More than twenty obscene still images; or
- 12 (c) Child [pornography] **sexual abuse material** comprised of one motion picture,
- 13 film, videotape, videotape production, or other moving image; or
- 14 (d) Obscene material comprised of one motion picture, film, videotape production, or
- 15 other moving image; or
- 16 (2) Has previously been found guilty of an offense under this section.

17 3. A person who has committed the offense of possession of child [pornography]
18 **sexual abuse material** is subject to separate punishments for each item of child
19 [pornography] **sexual abuse material** or obscene material possessed by the person.

573.038. 1. In any criminal proceeding, any property or material that constitutes
2 child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material**
3 shall remain in the care, custody, and control of either the state or the court.

4 2. (1) Notwithstanding Missouri rule of criminal procedure 25.03 or any other rule or
5 statute to the contrary, a court shall deny, in any criminal proceeding, any request by the
6 defendant to copy, photograph, duplicate, or otherwise reproduce any property or material
7 that constitutes child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or child sexual**
8 **abuse material**, so long as the state makes the property or material reasonably available to
9 the defendant.

10 (2) For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this subsection, property or material shall
11 be deemed to be reasonably available to the defendant if the state provides ample opportunity
12 for inspection, viewing, and examination at a state or other governmental facility of the
13 property or material by the defendant, his or her attorney, and any individual the defendant
14 may seek to qualify to furnish expert testimony at trial.

573.050. 1. In any prosecution under this chapter evidence shall be admissible to
2 show:

3 (1) What the predominant appeal of the material or performance would be for
4 ordinary adults or minors;

5 (2) The literary, artistic, political or scientific value of the material or performance;

6 (3) The degree of public acceptance in this state and in the local community;

7 (4) The appeal to prurient interest in advertising or other promotion of the material or
8 performance;

9 (5) The purpose of the author, creator, promoter, furnisher or publisher of the material
10 or performance.

11 2. Testimony of the author, creator, promoter, furnisher, publisher, or expert
12 testimony, relating to factors entering into the determination of the issues of obscenity or child
13 pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or child sexual abuse material**, shall
14 be admissible.

15 3. In any prosecution under this chapter, when it becomes necessary to determine
16 whether a person was less than seventeen or eighteen years of age, the court or jury may make
17 this determination by any of the following methods:

18 (1) Personal inspection of the child;

19 (2) Inspection of the photograph or motion picture that shows the child engaging in
20 the sexual performance;

21 (3) Oral testimony by a witness to the sexual performance as to the age of the child
22 based on the child's appearance at the time;

23 (4) Expert medical testimony based on the appearance of the child engaging in the
24 sexual performance; or

25 (5) Any other method authorized by law or by the rules of evidence.

26 4. In any prosecution for promoting child pornography in the first or second degree as
27 **it existed prior to August 28, 2025, or for promoting child sexual abuse material in the**
28 **first or second degree**, no showing is required that the performance or material involved
29 appeals to prurient interest, that it lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value, or
30 that it is patently offensive to prevailing standards in the community as a whole.

573.052. Upon receipt of any information that child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse**
2 **material** as defined in section 573.010 is contained on a website, the attorney general shall
3 investigate such information. If the attorney general has probable cause to believe the
4 website contains child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material**, the attorney general shall notify
5 a website operator of any child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material** site residing on that
6 website operator's server, in writing. If the website operator promptly, but in no event longer
7 than five days after receiving notice, removes the alleged pornography from its server, and so
8 long as the website operator is not the purveyor of such child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse**
9 **material**, it shall be immune from civil liability. If the website operator does not promptly
10 remove the alleged pornography, the attorney general may seek an injunction pursuant to
11 section 573.070 to remove the child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material** site from the
12 website operator's server. This section shall not be construed to create any defense to any
13 criminal charges brought pursuant to this chapter.

573.215. 1. A person commits the offense of failure to report child ~~[pornography]~~
2 **sexual abuse material** if he or she being a film and photographic print processor, computer
3 provider, installer or repair person, or any internet service provider who has knowledge of or
4 observes, within the scope of the person's professional capacity or employment, any film,
5 photograph, videotape, negative, slide, or computer-generated image or picture depicting a
6 child under eighteen years of age engaged in an act of sexual conduct fails to report such
7 instance to any law enforcement agency immediately or as soon as practically possible.

8 2. The offense of failure to report child ~~[pornography]~~ **sexual abuse material** is a
9 class B misdemeanor.

10 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a provider of electronic
11 communication services or remote computing services to monitor any user, subscriber or
12 customer of the provider, or the content of any communication of any user, subscriber or
13 customer of the provider.

589.042. The court or the parole board shall have the authority to require a person
2 who is required to register as a sexual offender under sections 589.400 to 589.425 to give his
3 or her assigned probation or parole officer access to his or her personal home computer as a

4 condition of probation or parole in order to monitor and prevent such offender from obtaining
5 and keeping child [~~pornography~~] **sexual abuse material** or from committing an offense under
6 chapter 566. Such access shall allow the probation or parole officer to view the internet use
7 history, computer hardware, and computer software of any computer, including a laptop
8 computer, that the offender owns.

589.400. 1. Sections 589.400 to 589.425 shall apply to:

2 (1) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been or is hereafter adjudicated for an
3 offense referenced in section 589.414, unless such person is exempt from registering under
4 subsection 9 or 10 of this section or section 589.401;

5 (2) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been or is hereafter convicted of, been
6 found guilty of, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to committing, attempting to commit, or
7 conspiring to commit one or more of the following offenses: kidnapping or kidnapping in the
8 first degree when the victim was a child and the defendant was not a parent or guardian of the
9 child; abuse of a child under section 568.060 when such abuse is sexual in nature; felonious
10 restraint or kidnapping in the second degree when the victim was a child and the defendant is
11 not a parent or guardian of the child; sexual contact or sexual intercourse with a resident of a
12 nursing home or sexual conduct with a nursing facility resident or vulnerable person in the
13 first or second degree; endangering the welfare of a child under section 568.045 when the
14 endangerment is sexual in nature; genital mutilation of a female child, under section 568.065;
15 promoting prostitution in the first degree; promoting prostitution in the second degree;
16 promoting prostitution in the third degree; sexual exploitation of a minor; promoting child
17 pornography in the first degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025; promoting child**
18 **sexual abuse material in the first degree**; promoting child pornography in the second
19 degree **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025; promoting child sexual abuse material in**
20 **the second degree**; possession of child pornography **as it existed prior to August 28, 2025;**
21 **possession of child sexual abuse material**; furnishing pornographic material to minors;
22 public display of explicit sexual material; coercing acceptance of obscene material; promoting
23 obscenity in the first degree; promoting pornography for minors or obscenity in the second
24 degree; incest; use of a child in a sexual performance; or promoting sexual performance by a
25 child; patronizing prostitution if the individual the person patronizes is less than eighteen
26 years of age;

27 (3) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been committed to the department of
28 mental health as a criminal sexual psychopath;

29 (4) Any person who, since July 1, 1979, has been found not guilty as a result of
30 mental disease or defect of any offense referenced in section 589.414;

31 (5) Any juvenile certified as an adult and transferred to a court of general jurisdiction
32 who has been adjudicated for an offense listed under section 589.414;

33 (6) Any juvenile fourteen years of age or older at the time of the offense who has
34 been adjudicated for an offense which is equal to or more severe than aggravated sexual abuse
35 under 18 U.S.C. Section 2241, which shall include any attempt or conspiracy to commit such
36 offense;

37 (7) Any person who is a resident of this state who has, since July 1, 1979, been or is
38 hereafter adjudicated in any other state, territory, the District of Columbia, or foreign country,
39 or under federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction for an offense which, if committed in this state,
40 would constitute an offense listed under section 589.414, or has been or is required to register
41 in another state, territory, the District of Columbia, or foreign country, or has been or is
42 required to register under tribal, federal, or military law; or

43 (8) Any person who has been or is required to register in another state, territory, the
44 District of Columbia, or foreign country, or has been or is required to register under tribal,
45 federal, or military law and who works or attends an educational institution, whether public or
46 private in nature, including any secondary school, trade school, professional school, or
47 institution of higher education on a full-time or on a part-time basis or has a temporary
48 residence in Missouri. "Part-time" in this subdivision means for more than seven days in any
49 twelve-month period.

50 2. Any person to whom sections 589.400 to 589.425 apply shall, within three business
51 days of adjudication, release from incarceration, or placement upon probation, register with
52 the chief law enforcement official of the county or city not within a county in which such
53 person resides unless such person has already registered in that county for the same offense.
54 For any juvenile under subdivision (6) of subsection 1 of this section, within three business
55 days of adjudication or release from commitment to the division of youth services, the
56 department of mental health, or other placement, such juvenile shall register with the chief
57 law enforcement official of the county or city not within a county in which he or she resides
58 unless he or she has already registered in such county or city not within a county for the same
59 offense. Any person to whom sections 589.400 to 589.425 apply if not currently registered in
60 their county of residence shall register with the chief law enforcement official of such county
61 or city not within a county within three business days. The chief law enforcement official
62 shall forward a copy of the registration form required by section 589.407 to a city, town,
63 village, or campus law enforcement agency located within the county of the chief law
64 enforcement official.

65 3. The registration requirements of sections 589.400 through 589.425 shall be as
66 provided under subsection 4 of this section unless:

67 (1) All offenses requiring registration are reversed, vacated, or set aside;

68 (2) The registrant is no longer required to register and his or her name shall be
69 removed from the registry under the provisions of section 589.414; or

70 (3) The court orders the removal or exemption of such person from the registry under
71 section 589.401.

72 4. The registration requirements shall be as follows:

73 (1) Fifteen years if the offender is a tier I sex offender as provided under section
74 589.414;

75 (2) Twenty-five years if the offender is a tier II sex offender as provided under section
76 589.414; or

77 (3) The life of the offender if the offender is a tier III sex offender.

78 5. (1) The registration period shall be reduced as described in subdivision (3) of this
79 subsection for a sex offender who maintains a clean record for the periods described under
80 subdivision (2) of this subsection by:

81 (a) Not being adjudicated of any offense for which imprisonment for more than one
82 year may be imposed;

83 (b) Not being adjudicated of any sex offense;

84 (c) Successfully completing any periods of supervised release, probation, or parole;
85 and

86 (d) Successfully completing an appropriate sex offender treatment program certified
87 by the attorney general.

88 (2) In the case of a:

89 (a) Tier I sex offender, the period during which the clean record shall be maintained is
90 ten years;

91 (b) Tier III sex offender adjudicated delinquent for the offense which required
92 registration in a sex offender registry under sections 589.400 to 589.425, the period during
93 which the clean record shall be maintained is twenty-five years.

94 (3) In the case of a:

95 (a) Tier I sex offender, the reduction is five years;

96 (b) Tier III sex offender adjudicated delinquent, the reduction is from life to that
97 period for which the clean record under paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this subsection is
98 maintained.

99 6. For processing an initial sex offender registration the chief law enforcement officer
100 of the county or city not within a county may charge the offender registering a fee of up to ten
101 dollars.

102 7. For processing any change in registration required pursuant to section 589.414 the
103 chief law enforcement official of the county or city not within a county may charge the person
104 changing their registration a fee of five dollars for each change made after the initial
105 registration.

106 8. Any person currently on the sexual offender registry or who otherwise would be
107 required to register for being adjudicated for the offense of felonious restraint of a nonsexual
108 nature when the victim was a child and he or she was the parent or guardian of the child,
109 nonsexual child abuse that was committed under section 568.060, or kidnapping of a
110 nonsexual nature when the victim was a child and he or she was the parent or guardian of the
111 child shall be removed from the registry. However, such person shall remain on the sexual
112 offender registry for any other offense for which he or she is required to register under
113 sections 589.400 to 589.425.

114 9. The following persons shall be exempt from registering as a sexual offender upon
115 petition to the court of jurisdiction under section 589.401; except that, such person shall
116 remain on the sexual offender registry for any other offense for which he or she is required to
117 register under sections 589.400 to 589.425:

118 (1) Any person currently on the sexual offender registry or who otherwise would be
119 required to register for a sexual offense involving:

120 (a) Sexual conduct where no force or threat of force was directed toward the victim or
121 any other individual involved, if the victim was an adult, unless the adult was under the
122 custodial authority of the offender at the time of the offense; or

123 (b) Sexual conduct where no force or threat of force was directed toward the victim,
124 the victim was at least fourteen years of age, and the offender was not more than four years
125 older than the victim at the time of the offense; or

126 (2) Any person currently required to register for the following sexual offenses:

127 (a) Promoting obscenity in the first degree under section 573.020;

128 (b) Promoting obscenity in the second degree under section 573.030;

129 (c) Furnishing pornographic materials to minors under section 573.040;

130 (d) Public display of explicit sexual material under section 573.060;

131 (e) Coercing acceptance of obscene material under section 573.065;

132 (f) Trafficking for the purpose of slavery, involuntary servitude, peonage, or forced
133 labor under section 566.206;

134 (g) Abusing an individual through forced labor under section 566.203;

135 (h) Contributing to human trafficking through the misuse of documentation under
136 section 566.215; or

137 (i) Acting as an international marriage broker and failing to provide the information
138 and notice as required under section 578.475.

139 10. Any person currently on the sexual offender registry for having been adjudicated
140 for a tier I or II offense or adjudicated delinquent for a tier III offense or other comparable
141 offenses listed under section 589.414 may file a petition under section 589.401.

142 11. Any nonresident worker, including work as a volunteer or intern, or nonresident
143 student shall register for the duration of such person's employment, including participation as
144 a volunteer or intern, or attendance at any school of higher education whether public or
145 private, including any secondary school, trade school, professional school, or institution of
146 higher education on a full-time or part-time basis in this state unless granted relief under
147 section 589.401. Any registered offender shall provide information regarding any place in
148 which the offender is staying when away from his or her residence for seven or more days,
149 including the period of time the offender is staying in such place. Any registered offender
150 from another state who has a temporary residence in this state and resides more than seven
151 days in a twelve-month period shall register for the duration of such person's temporary
152 residency unless granted relief under section 589.401.

589.414. 1. Any person required by sections 589.400 to 589.425 to register shall,
2 within three business days, appear in person to the chief law enforcement officer of the
3 county or city not within a county if there is a change to any of the following information:

- 4 (1) Name;
- 5 (2) Residence;
- 6 (3) Employment, including status as a volunteer or intern;
- 7 (4) Student status; or
- 8 (5) A termination to any of the items listed in this subsection.

9 2. Any person required to register under sections 589.400 to 589.425 shall, within
10 three business days, notify the chief law enforcement official of the county or city not within
11 a county of any changes to the following information:

- 12 (1) Vehicle information;
- 13 (2) Temporary lodging information;
- 14 (3) Temporary residence information;
- 15 (4) Email addresses, instant messaging addresses, and any other designations used in
16 internet communications, postings, or telephone communications; or
- 17 (5) Telephone or other cellular number, including any new forms of electronic
18 communication.

19 3. The chief law enforcement official in the county or city not within a county shall
20 immediately forward the registration changes described under subsections 1 and 2 of this
21 section to the Missouri state highway patrol within three business days.

22 4. If any person required by sections 589.400 to 589.425 to register changes such
23 person's residence or address to a different county or city not within a county, the person shall
24 appear in person and shall inform both the chief law enforcement official with whom the
25 person last registered and the chief law enforcement official of the county or city not within a
26 county having jurisdiction over the new residence or address in writing within three business

27 days of such new address and phone number, if the phone number is also changed. If any
28 person required by sections 589.400 to 589.425 to register changes his or her state, territory,
29 the District of Columbia, or foreign country, or federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction of
30 residence, the person shall appear in person and shall inform both the chief law enforcement
31 official with whom the person was last registered and the chief law enforcement official of the
32 area in the new state, territory, the District of Columbia, or foreign country, or federal, tribal,
33 or military jurisdiction having jurisdiction over the new residence or address within three
34 business days of such new address. Whenever a registrant changes residence, the chief law
35 enforcement official of the county or city not within a county where the person was
36 previously registered shall inform the Missouri state highway patrol of the change within
37 three business days. When the registrant is changing the residence to a new state, territory,
38 the District of Columbia, or foreign country, or federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction, the
39 Missouri state highway patrol shall inform the responsible official in the new state, territory,
40 the District of Columbia, or foreign country, or federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction of
41 residence within three business days.

42 5. Tier I sexual offenders, in addition to the requirements of subsections 1 to 4 of this
43 section, shall report in person to the chief law enforcement official annually in the month of
44 their birth to verify the information contained in their statement made pursuant to section
45 589.407. Tier I sexual offenders include:

46 (1) Any offender who has been adjudicated for the offense of:

47 (a) Sexual abuse in the first degree under section 566.100 if the victim is eighteen
48 years of age or older;

49 (b) Sexual misconduct involving a child under section 566.083 if it is a first offense
50 and the punishment is less than one year;

51 (c) Sexual abuse in the second degree under section 566.101 if the punishment is less
52 than a year;

53 (d) Kidnapping in the second degree under section 565.120 with sexual motivation;

54 (e) Kidnapping in the third degree under section 565.130;

55 (f) Sexual conduct with a nursing facility resident or vulnerable person in the first
56 degree under section 566.115 if the punishment is less than one year;

57 (g) Sexual conduct under section 566.116 with a nursing facility resident or
58 vulnerable person;

59 (h) Sexual ~~[contact with a prisoner or offender]~~ **conduct in the course of public duty**
60 under section 566.145 if the victim is eighteen years of age or older;

61 (i) Sex with an animal under section 566.111;

62 (j) Trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation under section 566.209 if the
63 victim is eighteen years of age or older;

64 (k) Possession of child pornography under section 573.037 **as it existed prior to**
65 **August 28, 2025;**

66 (l) **Possession of child sexual abuse material under section 573.037;**

67 (m) Sexual misconduct in the first degree under section 566.093;

68 ~~(m)~~ (n) Sexual misconduct in the second degree under section 566.095;

69 ~~(n)~~ (o) Child molestation in the second degree under section 566.068 as it existed
70 prior to January 1, 2017, if the punishment is less than one year; or

71 ~~(o)~~ (p) Invasion of privacy under section 565.252 if the victim is less than eighteen
72 years of age;

73 (2) Any offender who is or has been adjudicated in any other state, territory, the
74 District of Columbia, or foreign country, or under federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction of an
75 offense of a sexual nature or with a sexual element that is comparable to the tier I sexual
76 offenses listed in this subsection or, if not comparable to those in this subsection, comparable
77 to those described as tier I offenses under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act,
78 Title I of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, Pub. L. 109-248.

79 6. Tier II sexual offenders, in addition to the requirements of subsections 1 to 4 of this
80 section, shall report semiannually in person in the month of their birth and six months
81 thereafter to the chief law enforcement official to verify the information contained in their
82 statement made pursuant to section 589.407. Tier II sexual offenders include:

83 (1) Any offender who has been adjudicated for the offense of:

84 (a) Statutory sodomy in the second degree under section 566.064 if the victim is
85 sixteen to seventeen years of age;

86 (b) Child molestation in the third degree under section 566.069 if the victim is
87 between thirteen and fourteen years of age;

88 (c) Sexual contact with a student under section 566.086 if the victim is thirteen to
89 seventeen years of age;

90 (d) Enticement of a child under section 566.151;

91 (e) Abuse of a child under section 568.060 if the offense is of a sexual nature and the
92 victim is thirteen to seventeen years of age;

93 (f) Sexual exploitation of a minor under section 573.023;

94 (g) Promoting child pornography in the first degree under section 573.025 **as it**
95 **existed prior to August 28, 2025;**

96 (h) **Promoting child sexual abuse material in the first degree under section**
97 **573.025;**

98 (i) Promoting child pornography in the second degree under section 573.035 **as it**
99 **existed prior to August 28, 2025;**

100 **(j) Promoting child sexual abuse material in the second degree under section**
101 **573.035;**

102 ~~[(+)]~~ **(k)** Patronizing prostitution under section 567.030;

103 ~~[(+)]~~ **(l)** Sexual ~~[contact with a prisoner or offender]~~ **conduct in the course of public**
104 **duty** under section 566.145 if the victim is thirteen to seventeen years of age;

105 ~~[(+)]~~ **(m)** Child molestation in the fourth degree under section 566.071 if the victim is
106 thirteen to seventeen years of age;

107 ~~[(+)]~~ **(n)** Sexual misconduct involving a child under section 566.083 if it is a first
108 offense and the penalty is a term of imprisonment of more than a year; or

109 ~~[(+)]~~ **(o)** Age misrepresentation with intent to solicit a minor under section 566.153;

110 (2) Any person who is adjudicated of an offense comparable to a tier I offense listed
111 in this section or failure to register offense under section 589.425 or comparable out-of-state
112 failure to register offense and who is already required to register as a tier I offender due to
113 having been adjudicated of a tier I offense on a previous occasion; or

114 (3) Any person who is or has been adjudicated in any other state, territory, the District
115 of Columbia, or foreign country, or under federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction for an offense
116 of a sexual nature or with a sexual element that is comparable to the tier II sexual offenses
117 listed in this subsection or, if not comparable to those in this subsection, comparable to those
118 described as tier II offenses under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, Title I
119 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, Pub. L. 109-248.

120 7. Tier III sexual offenders, in addition to the requirements of subsections 1 to 4 of
121 this section, shall report in person to the chief law enforcement official every ninety days to
122 verify the information contained in their statement made under section 589.407. Tier III
123 sexual offenders include:

124 (1) Any offender registered as a predatory sexual offender as defined in section
125 566.123 or a persistent sexual offender as defined in section 566.124;

126 (2) Any offender who has been adjudicated for the crime of:

127 (a) Rape in the first degree under section 566.030;

128 (b) Statutory rape in the first degree under section 566.032;

129 (c) Rape in the second degree under section 566.031;

130 (d) Endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree under section 568.045 if the
131 offense is sexual in nature;

132 (e) Sodomy in the first degree under section 566.060;

133 (f) Statutory sodomy under section 566.062;

134 (g) Statutory sodomy under section 566.064 if the victim is under sixteen years of
135 age;

136 (h) Sodomy in the second degree under section 566.061;

- 137 (i) Sexual misconduct involving a child under section 566.083 if the offense is a
138 second or subsequent offense;
- 139 (j) Sexual abuse in the first degree under section 566.100 if the victim is under
140 thirteen years of age;
- 141 (k) Kidnapping in the first degree under section 565.110 if the victim is under
142 eighteen years of age, excluding kidnapping by a parent or guardian;
- 143 (l) Child kidnapping under section 565.115;
- 144 (m) Sexual conduct with a nursing facility resident or vulnerable person in the first
145 degree under section 566.115 if the punishment is greater than a year;
- 146 (n) Incest under section 568.020;
- 147 (o) Endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree under section 568.045 with
148 sexual intercourse or deviate sexual intercourse with a victim under eighteen years of age;
- 149 (p) Child molestation in the first degree under section 566.067;
- 150 (q) Child molestation in the second degree under section 566.068;
- 151 (r) Child molestation in the third degree under section 566.069 if the victim is under
152 thirteen years of age;
- 153 (s) Promoting prostitution in the first degree under section 567.050 if the victim is
154 under eighteen years of age;
- 155 (t) Promoting prostitution in the second degree under section 567.060 if the victim is
156 under eighteen years of age;
- 157 (u) Promoting prostitution in the third degree under section 567.070 if the victim is
158 under eighteen years of age;
- 159 (v) Promoting travel for prostitution under section 567.085 if the victim is under
160 eighteen years of age;
- 161 (w) Trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation under section 566.209 if the
162 victim is under eighteen years of age;
- 163 (x) Sexual trafficking of a child in the first degree under section 566.210;
- 164 (y) Sexual trafficking of a child in the second degree under section 566.211;
- 165 (z) Genital mutilation of a female child under section 568.065;
- 166 (aa) Statutory rape in the second degree under section 566.034;
- 167 (bb) Child molestation in the fourth degree under section 566.071 if the victim is
168 under thirteen years of age;
- 169 (cc) Sexual abuse in the second degree under section 566.101 if the penalty is a term
170 of imprisonment of more than a year;
- 171 (dd) Patronizing prostitution under section 567.030 if the offender is a persistent
172 offender;

173 (ee) Abuse of a child under section 568.060 if the offense is of a sexual nature and the
174 victim is under thirteen years of age;

175 (ff) Sexual ~~[contact with a prisoner or offender]~~ **conduct in the course of public**
176 **duty** under section 566.145 if the victim is under thirteen years of age;

177 (gg) ~~[Sexual intercourse with a prisoner or offender under section 566.145;~~

178 ~~(hh)]~~ Sexual contact with a student under section 566.086 if the victim is under
179 thirteen years of age;

180 ~~[(ii)]~~ **(hh)** Use of a child in a sexual performance under section 573.200; or

181 ~~[(jj)]~~ **(ii)** Promoting a sexual performance by a child under section 573.205;

182 (3) Any offender who is adjudicated for a crime comparable to a tier I or tier II
183 offense listed in this section or failure to register offense under section 589.425, or other
184 comparable out-of-state failure to register offense, who has been or is already required to
185 register as a tier II offender because of having been adjudicated for a tier II offense, two tier I
186 offenses, or combination of a tier I offense and failure to register offense, on a previous
187 occasion;

188 (4) Any offender who is adjudicated in any other state, territory, the District of
189 Columbia, or foreign country, or under federal, tribal, or military jurisdiction for an offense of
190 a sexual nature or with a sexual element that is comparable to a tier III offense listed in this
191 section or a tier III offense under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, Title I
192 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, Pub. L. 109-248; or

193 (5) Any offender who is adjudicated in Missouri for any offense of a sexual nature
194 requiring registration under sections 589.400 to 589.425 that is not classified as a tier I or tier
195 II offense in this section.

196 8. In addition to the requirements of subsections 1 to 7 of this section, all Missouri
197 registrants who work, including as a volunteer or unpaid intern, or attend any school whether
198 public or private, including any secondary school, trade school, professional school, or
199 institution of higher education, on a full-time or part-time basis or have a temporary residence
200 in this state shall be required to report in person to the chief law enforcement officer in the
201 area of the state where they work, including as a volunteer or unpaid intern, or attend any
202 school or training and register in that state. "Part-time" in this subsection means for more
203 than seven days in any twelve-month period.

204 9. If a person who is required to register as a sexual offender under sections 589.400
205 to 589.425 changes or obtains a new online identifier as defined in section 43.651, the person
206 shall report such information in the same manner as a change of residence before using such
207 online identifier.

610.021. Except to the extent disclosure is otherwise required by law, a public governmental body is authorized to close meetings, records and votes, to the extent they relate to the following:

(1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys. However, any minutes, vote or settlement agreement relating to legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body or any agent or entity representing its interests or acting on its behalf or with its authority, including any insurance company acting on behalf of a public government body as its insured, shall be made public upon final disposition of the matter voted upon or upon the signing by the parties of the settlement agreement, unless, prior to final disposition, the settlement agreement is ordered closed by a court after a written finding that the adverse impact to a plaintiff or plaintiffs to the action clearly outweighs the public policy considerations of section 610.011, however, the amount of any moneys paid by, or on behalf of, the public governmental body shall be disclosed; provided, however, in matters involving the exercise of the power of eminent domain, the vote shall be announced or become public immediately following the action on the motion to authorize institution of such a legal action. Legal work product shall be considered a closed record;

(2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor. However, any minutes, vote or public record approving a contract relating to the leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body shall be made public upon execution of the lease, purchase or sale of the real estate;

(3) Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. However, any vote on a final decision, when taken by a public governmental body, to hire, fire, promote or discipline an employee of a public governmental body shall be made available with a record of how each member voted to the public within seventy-two hours of the close of the meeting where such action occurs; provided, however, that any employee so affected shall be entitled to prompt notice of such decision during the seventy-two-hour period before such decision is made available to the public. As used in this subdivision, the term "personal information" means information relating to the performance or merit of individual employees;

(4) The state militia or national guard or any part thereof;

(5) Nonjudicial mental or physical health proceedings involving identifiable persons, including medical, psychiatric, psychological, or alcoholism or drug dependency diagnosis or treatment;

38 (6) Scholastic probation, expulsion, or graduation of identifiable individuals,
39 including records of individual test or examination scores; however, personally identifiable
40 student records maintained by public educational institutions shall be open for inspection by
41 the parents, guardian or other custodian of students under the age of eighteen years and by the
42 parents, guardian or other custodian and the student if the student is over the age of eighteen
43 years;

44 (7) Testing and examination materials, before the test or examination is given or, if it
45 is to be given again, before so given again;

46 (8) Welfare cases of identifiable individuals;

47 (9) Preparation, including any discussions or work product, on behalf of a public
48 governmental body or its representatives for negotiations with employee groups;

49 (10) Software codes for electronic data processing and documentation thereof;

50 (11) Specifications for competitive bidding, until either the specifications are
51 officially approved by the public governmental body or the specifications are published for
52 bid;

53 (12) Sealed bids and related documents, until the bids are opened; and sealed
54 proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a
55 contract is executed, or all proposals are rejected;

56 (13) Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records
57 pertaining to employees or applicants for employment, except that this exemption shall not
58 apply to the names, positions, salaries and lengths of service of officers and employees of
59 public agencies once they are employed as such, and the names of private sources donating or
60 contributing money to the salary of a chancellor or president at all public colleges and
61 universities in the state of Missouri and the amount of money contributed by the source;

62 (14) Records which are protected from disclosure by law;

63 (15) Meetings and public records relating to scientific and technological innovations
64 in which the owner has a proprietary interest;

65 (16) Records relating to municipal hotlines established for the reporting of abuse and
66 wrongdoing;

67 (17) Records relating to reports of allegations of improper governmental activities
68 under section 29.221;

69 (18) Confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body
70 and its auditor, including all auditor work product; however, all final audit reports issued by
71 the auditor are to be considered open records pursuant to this chapter;

72 (19) (a) Security measures, global positioning system (GPS) data, investigative
73 information, or investigative or surveillance techniques of any public agency responsible for

74 law enforcement or public safety that, if disclosed, has the potential to endanger the health or
75 safety of an individual or the public.

76 (b) Any information or data provided to a tip line for the purpose of safety or security
77 at an educational institution that, if disclosed, has the potential to endanger the health or
78 safety of an individual or the public.

79 (c) Any information contained in any suspicious activity report provided to law
80 enforcement that, if disclosed, has the potential to endanger the health or safety of an
81 individual or the public.

82 (d) Operational guidelines, policies and specific response plans developed, adopted,
83 or maintained by any public agency responsible for law enforcement, public safety, first
84 response, or public health for use in responding to or preventing any critical incident which
85 has the potential to endanger individual or public safety or health. Financial records related to
86 the procurement of or expenditures relating to operational guidelines, policies or plans
87 purchased with public funds shall be open. When seeking to close information pursuant to
88 this exception, the public governmental body shall affirmatively state in writing that
89 disclosure would impair the public governmental body's ability to protect the security or
90 safety of persons or real property, and shall in the same writing state that the public interest in
91 nondisclosure outweighs the public interest in disclosure of the records;

92 (20) Existing or proposed security systems and structural plans of real property
93 owned or leased by a public governmental body, and information that is voluntarily submitted
94 by a nonpublic entity owning or operating an infrastructure to any public governmental body
95 for use by that body to devise plans for protection of that infrastructure, the public disclosure
96 of which would threaten public safety:

97 (a) Records related to the procurement of or expenditures relating to security systems
98 purchased with public funds shall be open;

99 (b) When seeking to close information pursuant to this exception, the public
100 governmental body shall affirmatively state in writing that disclosure would impair the public
101 governmental body's ability to protect the security or safety of persons or real property, and
102 shall in the same writing state that the public interest in nondisclosure outweighs the public
103 interest in disclosure of the records;

104 (c) Records that are voluntarily submitted by a nonpublic entity shall be reviewed by
105 the receiving agency within ninety days of submission to determine if retention of the
106 document is necessary in furtherance of a state security interest. If retention is not necessary,
107 the documents shall be returned to the nonpublic governmental body or destroyed;

108 (21) The portion of a record that identifies security systems or access codes or
109 authorization codes for security systems of real property;

110 (22) Records that identify the configuration of components or the operation of a
111 computer, computer system, computer network, or telecommunications network, and would
112 allow unauthorized access to or unlawful disruption of a computer, computer system,
113 computer network, or telecommunications network of a public governmental body. This
114 exception shall not be used to limit or deny access to otherwise public records in a file,
115 document, data file or database containing public records. Records related to the procurement
116 of or expenditures relating to such computer, computer system, computer network, or
117 telecommunications network, including the amount of moneys paid by, or on behalf of, a
118 public governmental body for such computer, computer system, computer network, or
119 telecommunications network shall be open;

120 (23) Credit card numbers, personal identification numbers, digital certificates,
121 physical and virtual keys, access codes or authorization codes that are used to protect the
122 security of electronic transactions between a public governmental body and a person or entity
123 doing business with a public governmental body. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to
124 close the record of a person or entity using a credit card held in the name of a public
125 governmental body or any record of a transaction made by a person using a credit card or
126 other method of payment for which reimbursement is made by a public governmental body;

127 (24) Records submitted by an individual, corporation, or other business entity to a
128 public institution of higher education in connection with a proposal to license intellectual
129 property or perform sponsored research and which contains sales projections or other
130 business plan information the disclosure of which may endanger the competitiveness of a
131 business;

132 (25) Records relating to foster home or kinship placements of children in foster care
133 under section 210.498; ~~and~~

134 (26) Individually identifiable customer usage and billing records for customers of a
135 municipally owned utility, unless the records are requested by the customer or authorized for
136 release by the customer, except that a municipally owned utility shall make available to the
137 public the customer's name, billing address, location of service, and dates of service provided
138 for any commercial service account; **and**

139 **(27) Any portion of a record that contains individually identifiable information**
140 **of a minor under eighteen years of age held by a public governmental body, if such**
141 **public governmental body is a city, town, village, or park board except when such**
142 **records are requested by the division of labor standards within the department of labor**
143 **and industrial relations for the purpose of enforcing chapter 294.**

610.131. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 610.140 to the contrary, a
2 person who ~~[at the time of the offense was under the age of eighteen, and]~~ has pleaded guilty
3 **to** or has been convicted ~~[for]~~ **of** the offense of prostitution under section 567.020 may apply

4 to the court in which he or she pled guilty or was sentenced for an order to expunge from all
5 official records all recordations of his or her arrest, plea, trial, or conviction. If the court
6 determines that such person [~~was under the age of eighteen or~~] was acting under the coercion,
7 as defined in section 566.200, of an agent when committing the offense that resulted in a plea
8 of guilty or conviction under section 567.020, the court shall enter an order of expungement.

9 2. Upon granting of the order of expungement, the records and files maintained in any
10 administrative or court proceeding in an associate or circuit division of the circuit court under
11 this section shall be confidential and only available to the parties or by order of the court for
12 good cause shown. The effect of such order shall be to restore such person to the status he or
13 she occupied prior to such arrest, plea, or conviction and as if such event had never taken
14 place. No person as to whom such order has been entered shall be held thereafter under any
15 provision of any law to be guilty of perjury or otherwise giving a false statement by reason of
16 his or her failure to recite or acknowledge such arrest, plea, trial, conviction, or expungement
17 in response to any inquiry made of him or her for any purpose whatsoever and no such
18 inquiry shall be made for information relating to an expungement under this section.

650.120. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Cyber Crime
2 Investigation Fund". The treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and may approve
3 disbursements from the fund in accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180. The department
4 of public safety shall be the administrator of the fund. Moneys in the fund shall be used
5 solely for the administration of the grant program established under this section.
6 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in
7 the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund.
8 The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are
9 invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

10 2. The department of public safety shall create a program to distribute grants to
11 multijurisdictional internet cyber crime law enforcement task forces, multijurisdictional
12 enforcement groups, as defined in section 650.153, that are investigating internet sex crimes
13 against children, and other law enforcement agencies. The program shall be funded by the
14 cyber crime investigation fund created under subsection 1 of this section. Not more than
15 three percent of the money in the fund may be used by the department to pay the
16 administrative costs of the grant program. The grants shall be awarded and used to pay the
17 salaries of detectives and computer forensic personnel whose focus is investigating internet
18 sex crimes against children, including but not limited to enticement of a child, possession or
19 promotion of child [~~pornography~~] **sexual abuse material**, provide funding for the training of
20 law enforcement personnel and prosecuting and circuit attorneys as well as their assistant
21 prosecuting and circuit attorneys, and purchase necessary equipment, supplies, and services.

22 The funding for such training may be used to cover the travel expenses of those persons
23 participating.

24 3. A panel is hereby established in the department of public safety to award grants
25 under this program and shall be comprised of the following members:

26 (1) The director of the department of public safety, or his or her designee;

27 (2) Two members appointed by the director of the department of public safety from a
28 list of six nominees submitted by the Missouri Police Chiefs Association;

29 (3) Two members appointed by the director of the department of public safety from a
30 list of six nominees submitted by the Missouri Sheriffs' Association;

31 (4) Two members of the state highway patrol appointed by the director of the
32 department of public safety from a list of six nominees submitted by the Missouri State
33 Troopers Association;

34 (5) One member of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house
35 of representatives; and

36 (6) One member of the senate appointed by the president pro tem.

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38 The panel members who are appointed under subdivisions (2), (3), and (4) of this subsection
39 shall serve a four-year term ending four years from the date of expiration of the term for
40 which his or her predecessor was appointed. However, a person appointed to fill a vacancy
41 prior to the expiration of such a term shall be appointed for the remainder of the term. Such
42 members shall hold office for the term of his or her appointment and until a successor is
43 appointed. The members of the panel shall receive no additional compensation but shall be
44 eligible for reimbursement for mileage directly related to the performance of panel duties.

45 4. Local matching amounts, which may include new or existing funds or in-kind
46 resources including but not limited to equipment or personnel, are required for
47 multijurisdictional internet cyber crime law enforcement task forces and other law
48 enforcement agencies to receive grants awarded by the panel. Such amounts shall be
49 determined by the state appropriations process or by the panel.

50 5. When awarding grants, priority should be given to newly hired detectives and
51 computer forensic personnel.

52 6. The panel shall establish minimum training standards for detectives and computer
53 forensic personnel participating in the grant program established in subsection 2 of this
54 section.

55 7. Multijurisdictional internet cyber crime law enforcement task forces and other law
56 enforcement agencies participating in the grant program established in subsection 2 of this
57 section shall share information and cooperate with the highway patrol and with existing
58 internet crimes against children task force programs.

59 8. The panel may make recommendations to the general assembly regarding the need
60 for additional resources or appropriations.

61 9. The power of arrest of any peace officer who is duly authorized as a member of a
62 multijurisdictional internet cyber crime law enforcement task force shall only be exercised
63 during the time such peace officer is an active member of such task force and only within the
64 scope of the investigation on which the task force is working. Notwithstanding other
65 provisions of law to the contrary, such task force officer shall have the power of arrest, as
66 limited in this subsection, anywhere in the state and shall provide prior notification to the
67 chief of police of a municipality or the sheriff of the county in which the arrest is to take
68 place. If exigent circumstances exist, such arrest may be made and notification shall be made
69 to the chief of police or sheriff as appropriate and as soon as practical. The chief of police or
70 sheriff may elect to work with the multijurisdictional internet cyber crime law enforcement
71 task force at his or her option when such task force is operating within the jurisdiction of such
72 chief of police or sheriff.

73 10. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

74 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall be
75 reauthorized on August 28, 2014, and shall expire on December 31, 2024, unless reauthorized
76 by an act of the general assembly; and

77 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall
78 sunset automatically twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section;
79 and

80 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately
81 following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.

660.520. 1. There is hereby established in the department of social services a special
2 team, to be known as the "state technical assistance team", to assist in cases of child abuse,
3 child neglect, child sexual abuse, child exploitation, child ~~pornography~~ **sexual abuse**
4 **material**, or child fatality. It shall be the priority of the team to focus on those cases in which
5 more than one report has been received. The team shall:

6 (1) Provide assistance, expertise, and training to child protection agencies and
7 multidisciplinary teams for the investigation and prosecution of child abuse, child neglect,
8 child sexual abuse, child exploitation, child ~~pornography~~ **sexual abuse material**, or child
9 fatality cases;

10 (2) Assist in the investigation of child abuse, child neglect, child sexual abuse, child
11 exploitation, child ~~pornography~~ **sexual abuse material**, or child fatality cases, upon the
12 request of a local, county, state, or federal law enforcement agency, county, state, or federal
13 prosecutor, a representative of the family courts, medical examiner, coroner, juvenile officer,
14 or department of social services staff. Upon being requested to assist in an investigation, the

15 state technical assistance team shall notify appropriate parties specified in this subdivision of
16 the team's involvement. State technical assistance team investigators licensed as peace
17 officers by the director of the department of public safety pursuant to chapter 590 shall be
18 deemed to be peace officers within the state of Missouri while acting in an investigation or on
19 behalf of a child. The power of arrest of a state technical assistance team investigator acting
20 as a peace officer shall be limited to offenses involving child abuse, child neglect, child
21 sexual abuse, child exploitation, child ~~pornography~~ **sexual abuse material**, child fatality, or
22 in situations of imminent danger to the investigator or another person;

23 (3) Assist county multidisciplinary teams to develop and implement protocols for the
24 investigation and prosecution of child abuse, child neglect, child sexual abuse, child
25 exploitation, child ~~pornography~~ **sexual abuse material**, or child fatality cases.

26 2. The team may call upon the expertise of the office of the attorney general, the
27 Missouri office of prosecution services, the state highway patrol, the department of health and
28 senior services, the department of mental health or any other agency or institution.

29 3. Each county may develop a multidisciplinary team for the purpose of determining
30 the appropriate investigative and therapeutic action to be initiated on complaints referenced in
31 subsection 1 of this section reported to the children's division. The multidisciplinary team
32 may include, but is not limited to, a prosecutor, or his or her representative, an investigator
33 from the children's division, a physician, a representative from a mental health care services
34 agency and a representative of the police agency of primary jurisdiction.

35 4. All reports and records made and maintained by the state technical assistance team
36 or local law enforcement relating to criminal investigations conducted pursuant to this
37 section, including arrests, shall be available in the same manner as law enforcement records,
38 as set forth in sections 610.100 to 610.200, and to the individuals identified in subdivision
39 (13) of subsection 2 of section 210.150. All other records shall be available in the same
40 manner as provided for in section 210.150.

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