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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SOMMER.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 162.203, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to training requirements for school board members.

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

Section A. Section 162.203, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 162.203, to read as follows:

- 162.203. 1. Board members initially elected or appointed under section 162.291, 162.459, 162.471, or 162.581 after August 28, 1993, in addition to the qualifications prescribed in those sections, shall successfully complete orientation and training requirements within one year of the date of the election or appointment. The orientation and training shall consist of at least sixteen hours with the cost of such training to be paid by the district.
2. **Board members serving in districts that are provisionally accredited, districts with a school building or buildings scoring less than fully accredited, or districts that are deemed needing additional support by the department of elementary and secondary education shall complete annually at least twelve hours of continuing education training, with at least six hours of training on improving student outcomes and academic success including, but not limited to, governance, personnel, policies and practices, curriculum and instruction, use of data in planning and decision making, and current issues in education as part of their service on the local board. The training required under this subsection shall not replace the training required under subsection 1 of this section and is in addition to the orientation and training required for new school board members. Incumbent board members who have served on the board in the term immediately prior or those reelected**

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.

17 **after a break in service shall complete at least four hours of continuing education training**
18 **within the first year of each additional term of office as set by board policy of that district.**

19 **3.** All programs providing the orientation and training required under the provisions of
20 this section shall be offered by a statewide association organized for the benefit of members of
21 boards of education or be approved by the state board of education.

22 **4.** **Notwithstanding any other provision of law, failure to comply with the**
23 **orientation and training requirements of this section may result in forfeiture of any**
24 **member's position on any school board or other penalty, as set by board policy of that**
25 **district.**

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