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101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 170.231, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to materials used for instruction.

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

Section A. Section 170.231, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 170.231, to read as follows:

170.231. **1.** The school board of each school district **and the governing board of each charter school** shall provide that all public school instructional material intended for use in connection with any public school classroom instruction, or any public school research or experimentation program or project, shall be available for inspection by any person. For the purpose of this section, "classroom instruction" shall mean any public school instruction involving teachers and students or peers and students; "research or experimentation program or project" shall mean any public school research or experimentation program or project designed to explore or develop new and unproven teaching methods and techniques.

2. (1) The school board of each school district and the governing board of each charter school shall prominently post on the home page of the school board's or charter school's website, in such a manner that the information is available to the public, the curricula intended for use by such school district or charter school in connection with school instruction in math, social studies, science, English, foreign language, fine arts, health, physical education, and vocational education. If such school board or governing board adopts a change of any curriculum used by such school district or charter school, such school board's or charter school's website shall be updated within thirty days after such change is adopted.

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.

18 **(2) The school board of each school district and the governing board of each**
19 **charter school shall notify parents and guardians that the curricula list on the website**
20 **has been updated by posting a notice on such school board's or charter school's website**
21 **and providing notice in a newsletter or other written communication that is regularly**
22 **distributed to parents and guardians.**

23 **(3) Where the curricular materials being made available to parents for review**
24 **are subject to copyright, trademark, or other intellectual property protection, the**
25 **review process shall include technical and procedural safeguards to ensure that the**
26 **materials are not able to be widely disseminated to the general public in violation of the**
27 **intellectual property rights of the publisher and content validity is not undermined.**

28 **(4) A resident of a school district may bring an action for injunctive relief or a**
29 **writ of mandamus in the circuit court with jurisdiction over the school district to compel**
30 **the school board of such school district or the governing board of a charter school**
31 **within the boundaries of such school district to comply with this subsection. If the**
32 **resident prevails, the court shall award to such resident reasonable attorney's fees not to**
33 **exceed fifteen thousand dollars.**

34 **(5) This subsection shall apply in the 2023-24 school year and all subsequent**
35 **school years.**

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