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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 173, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to higher education faculty members.

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

Section A. Chapter 173, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 173.477, to read as follows:

- 173.477. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law or policy of a public institution of higher education to the contrary, if a faculty member at a public college or university, as defined in section 173.355, fails to teach, without good cause, at least seventy-five percent of classes for a course for which he or she is listed as the instructor by the public college or university, the public college or university shall reimburse students who completed such course twenty-five percent of tuition and fees for such course.
- 2. Notwithstanding any provision of law or policy of a public institution of higher education to the contrary, if a graduate or undergraduate student teaching assistant teaches, as the sole instructor present, at least seventy-five percent of classes for a course offered by a public college or university, as defined in section 173.355, the public college or university shall reimburse students who completed such course twenty-five percent of tuition and fees for such course.
- 3. For purposes of this section, "good cause" shall include illness of the faculty member and illness of any faculty member's immediate family member including a parent, spouse, child, or sibling.
- 4. For purposes of this section, a faculty member shall be considered to be listed as
 the instructor by the public college or university for a course if, on the first day of the

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.

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18 semester in which such course is offered, the faculty member's name appears as the

- 19 instructor assigned to teach such course on the website of the public college or university,
- 20 in the course catalog published by the college or university, and in any course-related

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