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# **HOUSE BILL NO. 2391**

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## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 590, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to investigations of officer-involved incidents.

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

Section A. Chapter 590, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 590.511, to read as follows:

- 590.511. 1. If an officer-involved death or an officer-involved shooting occurs, the presiding judge of the judicial circuit where such incident occurred shall appoint a special prosecutor to investigate the officer's actions regarding such death or shooting. The special prosecutor shall conduct an investigation and determine if charges are appropriate.
- 2. The presiding judge of the judicial circuit shall have discretion to appoint any attorney licensed in this state as a special prosecutor. Such special prosecutor shall possess all powers of a prosecuting attorney or assistant attorney general in exercising his or her prosecutorial duties. If such special prosecutor is a prosecutor of a county or city not within a county, he or she shall receive no additional compensation for serving as special prosecutor. If the special prosecutor is not a prosecutor of a county or city not within a county, he or she shall receive a reasonable fee for serving as such special prosecutor. Such fee shall be fixed by the judge appointing the attorney and shall be paid from the funds of the office of the prosecutor of the jurisdiction in which the complaint or charges are filed.
  - 3. For the purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
- (1) "Officer-involved death", the death of an individual that results directly from an action or omission by a law enforcement officer while the officer is on duty or while off

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duty but performing activities that are within the scope of his or her law enforcement duties;

(2) "Officer-involved shooting", an incident in which an individual is injured as a
result of a law enforcement officer discharging the officer's firearm while on duty or while

result of a law enforcement officer discharging the officer's firearm while on duty or while off duty but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer's law enforcement

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