

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2479

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE INGLE.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 34, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to state entity flower purchases.

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

Section A. Chapter 34, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 34.078, to read as follows:

**34.078. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri-Grown Flowers Act".**

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

**(1) "Commissioner", the commissioner of the office of administration;**

**(2) "Cut flower", any flower removed from a living plant for decorative use;**

**(3) "Cut green", any green, foliage, or branch removed from a living plant for decorative use;**

**(4) "Public agency", the state of Missouri; its legislative and judicial branches; its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions; and all political subdivisions thereof including, but not limited to, school districts.**

**3. (1) No public agency shall purchase a cut flower or a cut green unless the cut flower or cut green is produced in this state.**

**(2) If a cut flower or cut green to be purchased by the public agency is unavailable from any producer in this state, the public agency may purchase a cut flower or a cut green from a producer in the United States.**

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.

16           **4. The commissioner shall compile a list of Missouri cut flower and cut green**  
17 **producers and provide access to such list to all public agencies and other interested**  
18 **parties.**

19           **5. This section shall apply to any public agency purchase of a cut flower or a cut**  
20 **green made or contracted for on or after January 1, 2023.**

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