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## **SENATE BILL NO. 162**

**101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY** 

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CIERPIOT.

ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

## AN ACT

To repeal section 115.123, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the day on which elections may take place.

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

Section A. Section 115.123, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 115.123, to read as follows:

115.123. 1. All public elections shall be held on 2 Tuesday. Except as provided in subsections 2 and 3 of this 3 section, and section 247.180, all public elections shall be held on the general election day, the primary election day, 4 the general municipal election day, the first Tuesday after 5 6 the first Monday in November, or on another day expressly 7 provided by city or county charter, and in nonprimary years 8 on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August. 9 [Bond elections may be held on the first Tuesday after the 10 first Monday in February but no other issue shall be included on the ballot for such election.] 11

12 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of
13 this section, an election for a presidential primary held
14 pursuant to sections 115.755 to 115.785 shall be held on the
15 second Tuesday after the first Monday in March of each
16 presidential election year.

17 3. The following elections shall be exempt from the18 provisions of subsection 1 of this section:

## **EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

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19 (1) [Bond elections necessitated by fire, vandalism or 20 natural disaster;

(2)] Elections for which ownership of real property is
required by law for voting; and

23 [(3)] (2) Special elections to fill vacancies and to
24 decide tie votes or election contests[; and

25 (4) Tax elections necessitated by a financial 26 hardship due to a five percent or greater decline in per-27 pupil state revenue to a school district from the previous 28 year].

4. Nothing in this section prohibits a charter city or
county from having its primary election in March if the
charter provided for a March primary before August 28, 1999.

32 5. Nothing in this section shall prohibit elections
33 held pursuant to section 65.600, but no other issues shall
34 be on the March ballot except pursuant to this chapter.

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