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SENATE BILL NO. 192

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR ONDER.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 197.305, 197.315, 197.320, 197.366, and 354.095, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to certificates of need.

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

	Section A. Sections 197.305, 197.315, 197.320, 197.366,
2	and 354.095, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted
3	in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 197.305, 197.315,
4	197.320, and 354.095, to read as follows:
	197.305. As used in sections 197.300 to [197.366]
2	197.367, the following terms mean:
3	(1) "Affected persons", the person proposing the
4	development of a new institutional health service, the
5	public to be served, and health care facilities within the
6	service area in which the proposed new health care service
7	is to be developed;
8	(2) "Agency", the certificate of need program of the
9	Missouri department of health and senior services;
10	(3) "Capital expenditure", an expenditure by or on
11	behalf of a health care facility which, under generally
12	accepted accounting principles, is not properly chargeable
13	as an expense of operation and maintenance;
14	(4) "Certificate of need", a written certificate
15	issued by the committee setting forth the committee's
16	affirmative finding that a proposed project sufficiently

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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17 satisfies the criteria prescribed for such projects by 18 sections 197.300 to [197.366] 197.367;

(5) "Committee", the Missouri health facilities review
 committee;

21 (6) "Department", the Missouri department of health
22 and senior services;

[(5)] (7) "Develop", to undertake those activities which on their completion will result in the offering of a new institutional health service or the incurring of a financial obligation in relation to the offering of such a service;

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[(6)] (8) "Expenditure minimum" shall mean:

29 (a) For beds in existing or proposed health care facilities licensed pursuant to chapter 198 and long-term 30 care beds in a hospital as described in subdivision (3) of 31 32 subsection 1 of section 198.012, six hundred thousand 33 dollars in the case of capital expenditures[, or four hundred thousand dollars in the case of major medical 34 equipment,]; provided, [however,] that prior to January 1, 35 2003, the expenditure minimum for beds in such a facility 36 and long-term care beds in a hospital described in section 37 198.012 shall be zero, subject to the provisions of 38 subsection 7 of section 197.318; 39

40 (b) For beds [or equipment] in a long-term care
41 hospital meeting the requirements described in 42 CFR[,
42 Section] 412.23(e), the expenditure minimum shall be zero;
43 and

44 (c) For health care facilities, new institutional
45 health services or beds not described in paragraph (a) or
46 (b) of this subdivision one million dollars in the case of
47 capital expenditures[, excluding major medical equipment,
48 and one million dollars in the case of medical equipment];

49 50 (9) "Health care facilities":

(a) Facilities licensed under chapter 198;

51 (b) Long-term care beds in a hospital, as described in 52 subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of section 198.012; and

(c) Long-term care hospitals or beds in a long-term
care hospital meeting the requirements described in 42 CFR
412.23(e);

[(7)] (10) "Health service area", a geographic region appropriate for the effective planning and development of health services, determined on the basis of factors including population and the availability of resources, consisting of a population of not less than five hundred thousand or more than three million;

62 [(8) "Major medical equipment", medical equipment used63 for the provision of medical and other health services;

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(9)] (11) "New institutional health service":

65 (a) The development of a new health care facility66 costing in excess of the applicable expenditure minimum;

67 (b) The acquisition, including acquisition by lease,
68 of any health care facility[, or major medical equipment]
69 costing in excess of the expenditure minimum;

70 (c) Any capital expenditure by or on behalf of a71 health care facility in excess of the expenditure minimum;

72 (d) Predevelopment activities [as defined in
73 subdivision (12) hereof] costing in excess of one hundred
74 fifty thousand dollars;

(e) Any change in licensed bed capacity of a health care facility licensed under chapter 198 which increases the total number of beds by more than ten or more than ten percent of total bed capacity, whichever is less, over a twoyear period, provided that any such health care facility seeking a nonapplicability review for an increase in total

81 beds or total bed capacity in an amount less than described 82 in this paragraph shall be eligible for such review only if 83 the facility has had no patient care class I deficiencies 84 within the last eighteen months and has maintained at least 85 an eighty-five percent average occupancy rate for the 86 previous six quarters;

87 (f) Health services, excluding home health services, 88 which are offered in a health care facility and which were 89 not offered on a regular basis in such health care facility 90 within the twelve-month period prior to the time such 91 services would be offered;

92 (g) A reallocation by an existing health care facility 93 of licensed beds among major types of service or 94 reallocation of licensed beds from one physical facility or 95 site to another by more than ten beds or more than ten 96 percent of total licensed bed capacity, whichever is less, 97 over a two-year period;

98 [(10)] (12) "Nonsubstantive projects", projects which 99 do not involve the addition, replacement, modernization or 100 conversion of beds or the provision of a new health service 101 but which include a capital expenditure which exceeds the 102 expenditure minimum and are due to an act of God or a normal 103 consequence of maintaining health care services, facility or 104 equipment;

105 [(11)] (13) "Person", any individual, trust, estate, 106 partnership, corporation, including associations and joint 107 stock companies, state or political subdivision or 108 instrumentality thereof, including a municipal corporation;

109 [(12)] (14) "Predevelopment activities", expenditures 110 for architectural designs, plans, working drawings and 111 specifications, and any arrangement or commitment made for

112 financing; but excluding submission of an application for a 113 certificate of need.

197.315. 1. Any person who proposes to develop or
offer a new institutional health service within the state
[must] shall obtain a certificate of need from the committee
prior to the time such services are offered.

5 2. Only those new institutional health services which 6 are found by the committee to be needed shall be granted a 7 certificate of need. Only those new institutional health 8 services which are granted certificates of need shall be offered or developed within the state. No expenditures for 9 new institutional health services in excess of the 10 11 applicable expenditure minimum shall be made by any person unless a certificate of need has been granted. 12

3. After October 1, 1980, no state agency charged by
statute to license or certify health care facilities shall
issue a license to or certify any such facility, or distinct
part of such facility, that is developed without obtaining a
certificate of need.

4. If any person proposes to develop any new
institutional health care service without a certificate of
need as required by sections 197.300 to [197.366] 197.367,
the committee shall notify the attorney general, and he
shall apply for an injunction or other appropriate legal
action in any court of this state against that person.

5. After October 1, 1980, no agency of state government may appropriate or grant funds to or make payment of any funds to any person or health care facility which has not first obtained every certificate of need required pursuant to sections 197.300 to [197.366] 197.367.

6. A certificate of need shall be issued only for the
premises and persons named in the application and is not
transferable except by consent of the committee.

32 7. Project cost increases, due to changes in the 33 project application as approved or due to project change 34 orders, exceeding the initial estimate by more than ten 35 percent shall not be incurred without consent of the 36 committee.

8. Periodic reports to the committee shall be required
of any applicant who has been granted a certificate of need
until the project has been completed. The committee may
order the forfeiture of the certificate of need upon failure
of the applicant to file any such report.

9. A certificate of need shall be subject to
forfeiture for failure to incur a capital expenditure on any
approved project within six months after the date of the
order. The applicant may request an extension from the
committee of not more than six additional months based upon
substantial expenditure made.

10. Each application for a certificate of need must be 48 accompanied by an application fee. The time of filing 49 50 commences with the receipt of the application and the application fee. The application fee is one thousand 51 52 dollars, or one-tenth of one percent of the total cost of the proposed project, whichever is greater. All application 53 54 fees shall be deposited in the state treasury. Because of the loss of federal funds, the general assembly will 55 appropriate funds to the Missouri health facilities review 56 57 committee.

58 11. In determining whether a certificate of need
59 should be granted, no consideration shall be given to the
60 facilities [or equipment] of any other health care facility

61 located more than a fifteen-mile radius from the applying 62 facility.

63 12. When a [nursing] long-term care facility shifts 64 from a skilled to an intermediate level of nursing care, it 65 may return to the higher level of care if it meets the 66 licensure requirements, without obtaining a certificate of 67 need.

68 13. In no event shall a certificate of need be denied
69 because the applicant refuses to provide abortion services
70 or information.

71 14. A certificate of need shall not be required for
72 the transfer of ownership of an existing and operational
73 health facility in its entirety.

74 15. A certificate of need may be granted to a facility 75 for an expansion, an addition of services, or a new 76 institutional service[, or for a new hospital facility 77 which] that provides for something less than that which was 78 sought in the application.

79 16. The provisions of this section shall not apply to 80 facilities operated by the state, and appropriation of funds to such facilities by the general assembly shall be deemed 81 in compliance with this section, and such facilities shall 82 be deemed to have received an appropriate certificate of 83 need without payment of any fee or charge. The provisions 84 85 of this subsection shall not apply to hospitals offering **long-term care services** operated by the state and licensed 86 87 under this chapter, except for department of mental health state-operated psychiatric hospitals. 88

89 17. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, 90 a certificate of need may be issued after July 1, 1983, for 91 an intermediate care facility operated exclusively for the 92 intellectually disabled. 93 [18. To assure the safe, appropriate, and cost-94 effective transfer of new medical technology throughout the 95 state, a certificate of need shall not be required for the 96 purchase and operation of:

97 Research equipment that is to be used in a (1)98 clinical trial that has received written approval from a duly constituted institutional review board of an accredited 99 100 school of medicine or osteopathy located in Missouri to 101 establish its safety and efficacy and does not increase the 102 bed complement of the institution in which the equipment is 103 to be located. After the clinical trial has been completed, 104 a certificate of need must be obtained for continued use in 105 such facility; or

106 (2) Equipment that is to be used by an academic health
107 center operated by the state in furtherance of its research
108 or teaching missions.]

197.320. The committee shall have the power to promulgate reasonable rules, regulations, criteria and 2 3 standards in conformity with this section and chapter 536 to 4 meet the objectives of sections 197.300 to [197.366] 197.367 5 including the power to establish criteria and standards to 6 review new types of [equipment or service] services. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in 7 8 section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in sections 197.300 to [197.366] 197.367 shall 9 10 become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, 11 section 536.028. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to 12 August 28, 1999, is of no force and effect and repealed. 13 Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to repeal or 14 affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to 15 August 28, 1999, if it fully complied with all applicable 16

17 provisions of law. This section and chapter 536 are 18 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the 19 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay 20 the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are 21 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of 22 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after 23 August 28, 1999, shall be invalid and void.

354.095. 1. A corporation subject to the provisions 2 of sections 354.010 to 354.380 may, in the discretion of its 3 board of directors, limit or define the classes of persons who shall be eligible to become members or beneficiaries, 4 limit and define the benefits which it will furnish, and may 5 define such benefits as it undertakes to furnish into 6 classes or kinds. It may make available to its members or 7 beneficiaries such health services, or reimbursement 8 9 therefor, as the board of directors of any such corporation 10 may approve; if maternity benefits are provided to any 11 members of any plan, then maternity benefits shall be 12 provided to any member of such plan without discrimination as to whether the member is married or unmarried, and if 13 maternity benefits are provided to a beneficiary of any 14 plan, then maternity benefits shall be provided to such 15 beneficiary of such plan without discrimination as to 16 17 whether the beneficiary is married or unmarried.

[If an ambulatory surgical facility as defined by 18 2. subdivision (2) of section 197.200, has received a 19 certificate of need as provided in chapter 197,] A health 20 services corporation shall provide benefits to [the 21 facility] an ambulatory surgical center, as defined by 22 23 section 197.200, on the same basis as it does to all other health care facilities, whether contracting members or 24 noncontracting members. A health services corporation shall 25

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use the same standards that are applied to any other health care facility within the same health services area in defining the benefits that the corporation will furnish to the ambulatory surgical facility, the classes to which such benefits will be furnished, and the amount of reimbursement.

[197.366. The term "health care facilities" in sections 197.300 to 197.366 shall 2 3 mean: Facilities licensed under chapter 198; 4 (1)5 (2) Long-term care beds in a hospital as described in subdivision (3) of subsection 1 of 6 7 section 198.012; (3) Long-term care hospitals or beds in a 8 9 long-term care hospital meeting the requirements 10 described in 42 CFR, section 412.23(e); and 11 (4) Construction of a new hospital as 12 defined in chapter 197.]

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