SENATE BILL NO. 197

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR KOENIG.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 556, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the jurisdiction of the attorney general for violations of certain offenses.

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

Section A. Chapter 556, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto

ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

- 2 one new section, to be known as section 556.065, to read as
- 3 follows:
 - 556.065. 1. The provisions of this section shall
- 2 apply to any city not within a county.
- 3 2. (1) The attorney general shall have concurrent
- 4 jurisdiction with any circuit attorney to prosecute under
- 5 this section.
- 6 (2) Upon receiving a referral from a law enforcement
- 7 agency alleging a violation of sections 565.020, 565.021, or
- 8 570.027, the attorney general may commence prosecution of
- 9 any violations of said sections within sixty days by filing
- 10 a complaint, information, or indictment. Once the attorney
- 11 general commences prosecution pursuant to this section, he
- 12 or she may prosecute any additional violations that were
- 13 part of the same course of conduct as the violation of
- 14 sections 565.020, 565.021, or 570.027.
- 15 (3) If the circuit attorney has commenced prosecution
- 16 by filing a complaint, information, or indictment, the
- 17 attorney general may adopt or amend the complaint,

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18 information, or indictment and the circuit attorney shall

19 immediately withdraw from the prosecution.

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