FIRST REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 284

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Local Government and Elections, February 16, 2017, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

1181S.02C ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 214.160, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to cemetery funds.

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

Section A. Section 214.160, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 214.160, to read as follows:

214.160. 1. Under sections 214.140 to 214.180, and as otherwise

- 2 not prohibited under Article VI, Section 23 of the Constitution of
- 3 Missouri, the county commission [shall] may invest or loan said trust fund or
- 4 funds [only] in United States government, state, county or municipal bonds,
- 5 certificates of deposit, first real estate mortgages, or deeds of trust and may 6 utilize investment managers to invest, reinvest, and manage assets,
- 7 subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations provided in this
- 8 section and Article IV, Section 15 of the Constitution of Missouri. They
- 9 shall use the net income from said trust fund or funds or such investments or
- 10 so much thereof as is necessary to support and maintain and beautify any public
- 11 or private cemetery or any particular part thereof which may be designated by
- 12 the person, persons or firm or association making said gift or bequest. In
- 13 maintaining or supporting the cemetery or any particular part or portion thereof
- 14 the commission shall as nearly as possible follow the expressed wishes of the
- 15 creator of said trust fund.
- 16 2. An investment manager shall discharge his or her duties in the
- 17 interest of the public or private cemetery and the interest of the
- 18 person, persons, or firm making the gift or bequest and shall:

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- 19 (1) Act with the same care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a 20 21 similar capacity and familiar with those matters would use in the 22 conduct of a similar enterprise with similar aims;
- 23 (2) Act with due regard for the management, reputation, and stability of the issuer and the character of the particular investments 24 being considered; 25
 - (3) Make investments for the purpose of supporting, maintaining, and beautifying any public or private cemetery or any particular part thereof, which may be designated by the person, persons, or firm or association making said gift or bequest, and of defraying reasonable expenses of investing the assets;
- (4) Give appropriate consideration to those facts circumstances that the investment fiduciary knows or should know are relevant to the particular investment or investment course of action involved, including the role the investment or investment course of action plays in that portion of the investments for which the investment fiduciary has responsibility. For purposes of this subdivision, "appropriate consideration" shall include, but is not limited 38 to, a determination by the investment fiduciary that a particular investment or investment course of action is reasonably designed to further the purposes of supporting, maintaining, and beautifying any public or private cemetery or any particular part thereof, which may be designated by the person, persons, or firm or association making said gift or bequest, while considering the risk of loss and the opportunity for gain or other return associated with the investment or investment course of action and considering the following factors as they relate to the investment or investment course of action:
 - (a) The diversification of the investments:
 - (b) The liquidity and current return of the investments relative to the anticipated cash flow requirements; and
 - (c) The projected return of the investments relative to the funding objectives; and
- 52 (5) Give appropriate consideration to investments that would enhance the general welfare of this state and its citizens if those 53 investments offer the safety and rate of return comparable to other 54investments available to the investment fiduciary at the time the

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56 investment decision is made.

- 3. As used in this section, "invest" or "investment" means
- 58 utilization of moneys in the expectation of future returns in the form

59 of income or capital gain.

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