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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 137.180 and 137.355, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to projected property tax liability notices for certain counties.

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

Section A. Sections 137.180 and 137.355, RSMo, are repealed and two

- 2 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 137.180 and
- 3 137.355, to read as follows:

137.180. 1. Whenever any assessor shall increase the valuation of any

- 2 real property he shall forthwith notify the record owner of such increase, either
- 3 in person, or by mail directed to the last known address; every such increase in
- 4 assessed valuation made by the assessor shall be subject to review by the county
- 5 board of equalization whereat the landowner shall be entitled to be heard, and
- 6 the notice to the landowner shall so state.
- 7 2. Effective January 1, 2009, for all counties with a charter form of
- 8 government, other than any county adopting a charter form of
- 9 government after January 1, 2008, whenever any assessor shall increase the
- 10 valuation of any real property, he or she shall forthwith notify the record owner
- 11 on or before June fifteenth of such increase and, in a year of general
- 12 reassessment, the county shall notify the record owner of the projected tax
- 13 liability likely to result from such an increase, either in person, or by mail

directed to the last known address; every such increase in assessed valuation made by the assessor shall be subject to review by the county board of equalization whereat the landowner shall be entitled to be heard, and the notice to the landowner shall so state. Notice of the projected tax liability from the county shall accompany the notice of increased valuation from the assessor.

- 3. For all calendar years prior to the first day of January of the year following receipt of software necessary for the implementation of the requirements provided under subsections 4 and 5 of this section from the state tax commission, for any county not subject to the provisions of subsection 2 of this section or subsection 2 of section 137.355, whenever any assessor shall increase the valuation of any real property, he or she shall forthwith notify the record owner on or before June fifteenth of the previous assessed value and such increase either in person, or by mail directed to the last known address and include in such notice a statement indicating that the change in assessed value may impact the record owner's tax liability and provide all processes and deadlines for appealing determinations of the assessed value of such property. Such notice shall be provided in a font and format sufficient to alert a record owner of the potential impact upon tax liability and the appellate processes available.
- 4. Effective January [1, 2011,] first of the year following receipt of software necessary for the implementation of the requirements provided under this subsection and subsection 5 of this section from the state tax commission, for all counties not subject to the provisions of subsection 2 of this section or subsection 2 of section 137.355, whenever any assessor shall increase the valuation of any real property, he or she shall forthwith notify the record owner on or before June fifteenth of such increase and, in a year of general reassessment, the county shall notify the record owner of the projected tax liability likely to result from such an increase, either in person, or by mail directed to the last known address; every such increase in assessed valuation made by the assessor shall be subject to review by the county board of equalization whereat the landowner shall be entitled to be heard, and the notice to the landowner shall so state. Notice of the projected tax liability from the county shall accompany the notice of increased valuation from the assessor.
- 48 [4.] 5. The notice of projected tax liability, required under subsections 2 49 and [3] 4 of this section, from the county shall include:

- 50 (1) **The** record owner's name, address, and the parcel number of the 51 property;
- 52 (2) A list of all political subdivisions levying a tax upon the property of 53 the record owner;
- 54 (3) The projected tax rate for each political subdivision levying a tax upon 55 the property of the record owner, and the purpose for each levy of such political 56 subdivisions;
- 57 (4) The previous year's tax rates for each individual tax levy imposed by 58 each political subdivision levying a tax upon the property of the record owner;
- 59 (5) The tax rate ceiling for each levy imposed by each political subdivision 60 levying a tax upon the property of the record owner;
- 61 (6) The contact information for each political subdivision levying a tax 62 upon the property of the record owner;
- 63 (7) A statement identifying any projected tax rates for political 64 subdivisions levying a tax upon the property of the record owner, which were not 65 calculated and provided by the political subdivision levying the tax; and
- 66 (8) The total projected property tax liability of the taxpayer.
- 6. In addition to the requirements provided under subsections 67 1, 2, and 5 of this section, effective January 1, 2011, in any county with 68 a charter form of government and with more than one million 69 inhabitants, whenever any assessor shall notify a record owner of any change in assessed value, such assessor shall provide notice that 71information regarding the assessment method and computation of value 73for such property is available on the assessor's website and provide the 74exact website address at which such information may be accessed. Such notification shall provide the assessor's contact information to enable taxpayers without internet access to request and receive information regarding the assessment method and computation 77of value for such property. 78
 - 137.355. 1. If an assessor increases the valuation of any tangible personal property as estimated in the itemized list furnished to the assessor, and if an assessor increases the valuation of any real property, he shall forthwith notify the record owner of the increase either in person or by mail directed to the last known address, and if the address of the owner is unknown notice shall be given by publication in two newspapers published in the county.
 - 2. For all calendar years prior to the first day of January of the

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year following receipt of software necessary for the implementation of the requirements provided under subsections 3 and 4 of this section from the state tax commission, whenever any assessor shall increase the valuation of any real property, he or she shall forthwith notify the 11 record owner on or before June fifteenth of the previous assessed value 12and such increase either in person, or by mail directed to the last 13 known address and include on the face of such notice, in no less than 14twelve point font, the following statement: NOTICE TO TAXPAYER: IF 15 YOUR ASSESSED VALUE HAS INCREASED, IT MAY INCREASE YOUR 16 REAL PROPERTY TAXES WHICH ARE DUE DECEMBER THIRTY-17 FIRST. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE THAT THE VALUE OF YOUR 18 PROPERTY HAS INCREASED, YOU MUST CHALLENGE THE VALUE 19 ON OR BEFORE (INSERT DATE BY WHICH APPEAL MUST BE 20 FILED) BY CONTACTING YOUR COUNTY ASSESSOR. 21

- 3. Effective January [1, 2011,] first of the year following receipt of software necessary for the implementation of the requirements provided under this subsection and subsection 4 of this section from the state tax commission, if an assessor increases the valuation of any real property, the assessor, on or before June fifteenth, shall notify the record owner of the increase and, in a year of general reassessment, the county shall notify the record owner of the projected tax liability likely to result from such an increase either in person or by mail directed to the last known address, and, if the address of the owner is unknown, notice shall be given by publication in two newspapers published in the county. Notice of the projected tax liability from the county shall accompany the notice of increased valuation from the assessor.
- 33 [3.] 4. The notice of projected tax liability, required under subsection [2] 34 3 of this section, from the county shall include:
 - (1) Record owner's name, address, and the parcel number of the property;
- 36 (2) A list of all political subdivisions levying a tax upon the property of 37 the record owner;
- 38 (3) The projected tax rate for each political subdivision levying a tax upon 39 the property of the record owner, and the purpose for each levy of such political 40 subdivisions;
- 41 (4) The previous year's tax rates for each individual tax levy imposed by 42 each political subdivision levying a tax upon the property of the record owner;
- 43 (5) The tax rate ceiling for each levy imposed by each political subdivision

- 44 levying a tax upon the property of the record owner;
- 45 (6) The contact information for each political subdivision levying a tax
- 46 upon the property of the record owner;
- 47 (7) A statement identifying any projected tax rates for political
- 48 subdivisions levying a tax upon the property of the record owner, which were not
- 49 calculated and provided by the political subdivision levying the tax; and
- 50 (8) The total projected property tax liability of the taxpayer.



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