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100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 640.136, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to public water fluoridation.

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

Section A. Section 640.136, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 640.136, to read as follows:

640.136. 1. **Any public water system, as defined in section 640.102,**
2 **or public water supply district, as described in chapter 247, that**
3 **intends to start or stop fluoridation of its water supply on a continuing**
4 **basis shall seek and receive information about the impact of public**
5 **water fluoridation from the local health department.**

6 2. **Any public water system or public water supply district that**
7 **receives information pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall**
8 **notify the department of natural resources and the department of**
9 **health and senior services in order to certify that the public water**
10 **system or public water supply district has sought and received**
11 **information about the impact of public water fluoridation from the**
12 **local health department prior to submitting notification of the public**
13 **water system's or public water supply district's intention to start or**
14 **stop public water fluoridation on a continuing basis.** Any public water
15 system, as defined in section 640.102, or public water supply district, as defined
16 in chapter 247, which intends to [make modifications to] **start or stop**
17 fluoridation of its water supply **on a continuing basis** shall notify the
18 department of natural resources, the department of health and senior services,
19 and its customers of its intentions at least ninety days prior to any vote on the

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

20 matter. The public water system or public water supply district shall notify its
21 customers via radio, television, newspaper, regular mail, electronic means, or any
22 combination of notification methods to most effectively notify customers at least
23 ninety days prior to any meeting at which the vote will occur. Any public water
24 system or public water supply district that violates the notification requirements
25 of this section shall return the fluoridation of its water supply to its previous
26 level until proper notification is provided under the provisions of this section.

27 [2.] 3. In the case of an investor-owned water system, the entity calling
28 for the discussion of modifications to fluoridation shall be responsible for the
29 provisions of this section **and all costs associated with compliance.**

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