#### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# **SENATE BILL NO. 810**

### 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 67.792, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to political subdivisions.

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

Section A. Section 67.792, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted 2 in lieu thereof, to be known as section 67.792, to read as follows:

67.792. 1. A regional recreational district may be created, incorporated and managed as provided in sections 67.792 to 67.799 and may exercise the  $\mathbf{2}$ 3 powers prescribed by sections 67.792 to 67.799. A regional recreational district may include municipalities or territory not in municipalities or both, or territory 4 in one or more counties, if the voters in the proposed district vote, pursuant to 5 section 67.796, to be included in the regional recreational district. No regional 6 recreational district shall be organized pursuant to sections 67.792 to 67.799 if 7 such district contains any portion of, according to the last federal decennial 8 9 census:

10 (1) A county of the first classification having a charter form of government11 and having a population of at least nine hundred thousand inhabitants;

12 (2) A county of the first classification having a charter form of government
13 and having a population of more than two hundred ten thousand but less than
14 three hundred thousand inhabitants;

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(3) A city not within a county; or

16 (4) A county of the first classification having a population of more than 17 one hundred seventy thousand but less than one hundred seventy-five thousand 18 inhabitants. Any recreation system or public parks system which exists in whole 19 or in part within a regional recreational district created pursuant to sections SB 810

20 67.792 to 67.799 shall remain in existence with the same powers and 21 responsibilities it had prior to the creation of the regional recreational 22 district. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or prohibit later 23 establishment or cessation of any park or recreation system or any powers and 24 responsibilities of any such park or recreation system pursuant to state law.

25 2. When a regional recreational district is organized it shall be a body 26 corporate and a political subdivision of the state, as that term is defined in 27 [subdivision (7) of] section 67.750, and shall be known as "..... Regional 28 Recreational District", and in that name may sue and be sued, issue general 29 revenue bonds and levy and collect taxes within the limitations of sections 67.792 30 to 67.799.

31 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 67.792 to 67.799 to the 32 contrary, in any regional recreational district located in whole or in part in any 33 county of the first classification with more than one hundred eighty-four thousand 34 but fewer than one hundred eighty-eight thousand inhabitants, a request to 35 disincorporate the district shall be presented to the county commission or similar 36 authority. The request shall state the name of the district and shall request the 37 disincorporation of the district when:

38 (1) The regional recreational district enacts a resolution to disincorporate39 the district;

40 (2) The regional recreational district has no more than one thousand41 dollars in debt; and

42 (3) The regional recreational district has disposed of all real property. If 43 a request is submitted as authorized in this section, and it is the opinion of the 44 county commission that the public good will be advanced by the disincorporation 45 after providing notice and a hearing, the county commission shall disincorporate 46 the regional recreational office.

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