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**SENATE BILL NO. 912**  
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**AN ACT**

To repeal sections 42.051, 115.085, 143.174, 143.175, 173.239, 301.142, 301.3030, 301.3061, and 302.188, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof forty-four new sections relating to military affairs, with a delayed effective date for a certain section.

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

Section A. Sections 42.051, 115.085, 143.174, 143.175, 173.239, 301.142, 301.3030, 2 301.3061, and 302.188, RSMo, are repealed and forty-four new sections enacted in lieu 3 thereof, to be known as sections 42.022, 42.051, 42.312, 115.085, 143.174, 143.175, 173.239, 4 227.854, 301.142, 301.3030, 301.3061, 301.3180, 302.188, 452.1200, 452.1202, 452.1204, 5 452.1206, 452.1208, 452.1210, 452.1212, 452.1214, 452.1216, 452.1218, 452.1220, 6 452.1222, 452.1224, 452.1226, 452.1228, 452.1230, 452.1232, 452.1234, 452.1236, 7 452.1238, 452.1240, 452.1242, 452.1244, 452.1246, 452.1248, 452.1250, 452.1252, 8 452.1254, 452.1256, 452.1258, and 620.3305, to read as follows:

**42.022. 1. In addition to any other duties imposed under this chapter, the 2 commission shall review the provisions of the Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans 3 Mental Health Care Improvement Act of 2019, enacted by the 116th United States 4 Congress (Pub. L. 116-171), as amended, and any regulations related thereto. After 5 review, the commission, in collaboration with the department of mental health, shall 6 provide recommendations and make efforts to adopt procedures, programs, treatment 7 options, additional aid, and any other assistance deemed necessary by the commission to 8 assist in the efforts to prevent veteran suicide, subject to appropriation.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

9           **2. Before July 1, 2025, and before every July first thereafter the commission**  
10 **shall file a report with the department of public safety and the general assembly on the**  
11 **recommendations, implementation, and effectiveness of the efforts by the commission to**  
12 **prevent veteran suicide.**

13           **3. The department of public safety may promulgate all necessary rules and**  
14 **regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that**  
15 **term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this**  
16 **section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the**  
17 **provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter**  
18 **536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly**  
19 **pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul**  
20 **a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority**  
21 **and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2024, shall be invalid and void.**

42.051. 1. Every state agency shall ~~ensure that~~ **include on** any form, including  
2 digital forms posted on an internet website, used to ~~collect data from individuals include~~  
3 **interact with members of the public** the following questions in substantially similar form:

4           (1) Have you ever served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United  
5 States and separated from such service under conditions other than  
6 dishonorable?

7           (2) If answering question (1) in the affirmative, would you like to receive  
8 information and assistance regarding ~~the agency's veteran~~ **veterans**  
9 **benefits and services?**

10           (3) **If answering question (2) in the affirmative, may the agency share**  
11 **your contact information with the Missouri Veterans Commission in**  
12 **order to provide you with information regarding available veterans**  
13 **benefits and services? General information may also be found on the**  
14 **Missouri Veterans Commission's website.**

15           **2. Every state agency shall provide the contact information of those individuals**  
16 **who answer question (3) in subsection 1 of this section in the affirmative to the**  
17 **commission within seven business days of receipt and shall provide the contact**  
18 **information in a format readily accessible by the commission.**

19           **3. Every state agency shall prepare information regarding the agency's applicable**  
20 **services and benefits that are available to veterans and provide such information to those**  
21 **individuals who answer ~~the~~ questions (1) and (2) provided in subsection 1 of this section in**  
22 **the affirmative and to the commission. Such information shall be available in a format**  
23 **readily accessible and identifiable to members of the public and to the commission.**

24           **4. On January first of every year, the commission shall post a report on the**  
25 **commission's website that includes:**

26           **(1) The total number of individuals whose contact information has been**  
27 **submitted to the commission from each state agency pursuant to subsection 2 of this**  
28 **section; and**

29           **(2) The total number of individuals contacted by the commission as a result of**  
30 **the submission of contact information by a state agency.**

31           ~~[3-]~~ **5. The provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall only apply to any form first**  
32 **created on or after August 28, [2021] 2024, or any form created before August 28, [2021]**  
33 **2024, and subsequently modified on or after August 28, [2021] 2024.**

**42.312. 1. There is hereby created within the state adjutant general's office the**  
2 **"Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Freedom's Sentinel, and Operation Allies**  
3 **Refuge Program". Every veteran who honorably served on active duty in the United**  
4 **States military service at any time beginning October 7, 2001, and ending August 30,**  
5 **2021, shall be entitled to receive an Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Freedom's**  
6 **Sentinel, and Operation Allies Refuge medallion, medal, and certificate of appreciation**  
7 **under this section, provided that:**

8           **(1) Such veteran is a legal resident of this state or was a legal resident of this**  
9 **state at the time he or she entered or was discharged from military service or at the time**  
10 **of his or her death, or such veteran served in a unit of the Missouri National Guard**  
11 **regardless of whether such veteran is or ever was a legal resident of this state; and**

12           **(2) Such veteran was honorably separated or discharged from military service, is**  
13 **still in active service in an honorable status, or was in active service in an honorable**  
14 **status at the time of his or her death.**

15           **2. The Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Freedom's Sentinel, and**  
16 **Operation Allies Refuge medallion, medal, and certificate shall be awarded regardless of**  
17 **whether such veteran served within the United States or in a foreign country. The**  
18 **medallion, medal, and certificate shall be awarded regardless of whether such veteran**  
19 **was under eighteen years of age at the time of enlistment. For purposes of this section,**  
20 **"veteran" means any person defined as a veteran by the United States Department of**  
21 **Veterans Affairs or its successor agency.**

**115.085. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:**

2           **(1) "Military", the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Air Force,**  
3 **Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy, Space Force, National Guard, and any other**  
4 **military branch that is designated by Congress as part of the Armed Forces of the**  
5 **United States, and all reserve components and auxiliaries. The term "military" also**  
6 **includes the military reserves and militia of any United States territory or state;**

7           **(2) "Nonresident military spouse", a nonresident spouse of an active duty**  
8 **member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has been transferred to the state**  
9 **of Missouri, or who has been transferred to an adjacent state and is or will be domiciled**  
10 **in the state of Missouri, or has moved to the state of Missouri on a permanent change-of-**  
11 **station basis.**

12           **2.** No person shall be appointed to serve as an election judge who is not a registered  
13 voter in this state **or a military service member on active duty in this state or a**  
14 **nonresident military spouse.** Each election judge shall be a person of good repute and  
15 character who can speak, read, and write the English language. No person shall serve as an  
16 election judge at any polling place in which his or her name or the name of a relative within  
17 the second degree, by consanguinity or affinity, appears on the ballot. However, no relative of  
18 any unopposed candidate shall be disqualified from serving as an election judge in any  
19 election jurisdiction of the state. No election judge shall, during his or her term of office, hold  
20 any other elective public office, other than as a member of a political party committee or  
21 township office, except any person who is elected to a board or commission of a political  
22 subdivision or special district may serve as an election judge except at a polling place where  
23 such political subdivision or special district has an issue or candidate on the ballot. In any  
24 county having a population of less than two hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, any candidate  
25 for the county committee of a political party who is not a candidate for any other office and  
26 who is unopposed for election as a member of the committee shall not be disqualified from  
27 serving as an election judge.

          143.174. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, for purposes of  
2 calculating the Missouri taxable income as required under section 143.011, one hundred  
3 percent of the income received by any person as salary or compensation in any form as a  
4 member of the active duty component of the Armed Forces of the United States, and to the  
5 extent that such income is included in the federal adjusted gross income, may be deducted  
6 from the taxpayer's Missouri adjusted gross income to determine such taxpayer's Missouri  
7 taxable income. If such person files a combined return with a spouse, any military income  
8 received while engaging in the performance of active duty may be deducted from their  
9 Missouri combined adjusted gross income. **For the purposes of this section, "salary or**  
10 **compensation" shall include any signing bonus.**

          143.175. 1. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2020, for purposes of  
2 calculating the Missouri taxable income as required under section 143.011, a percentage of  
3 the income received by any person as salary or compensation:

4           (1) In performance of inactive duty for training (IDT) of the National Guard or annual  
5 training status (AT) of the National Guard; ~~or~~

6           (2) In reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States; **or**

7           **(3) For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, in the form of a**  
8 **bonus from the National Guard or a reserve component of the United States Armed**  
9 **Forces for joining, reenlisting, or for any other reason;**

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11 and to the extent that such income is included in the federal adjusted gross income, may be  
12 deducted from the taxpayer's Missouri adjusted gross income to determine such taxpayer's  
13 Missouri taxable income. If such person files a combined return with a spouse, a percentage  
14 of any military income received while engaging in the performance of National Guard or  
15 reserve military duty may be deducted from their Missouri combined adjusted gross income.  
16 Such military income shall be deducted as follows:

17           (a) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2020, twenty percent of such  
18 military income;

19           (b) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2021, forty percent of such  
20 military income;

21           (c) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2022, sixty percent of such  
22 income;

23           (d) For the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2023, eighty percent of such  
24 income;

25           (e) For all tax years beginning on January 1, 2024, and thereafter, one hundred  
26 percent of such income.

27           2. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section or any other provision of law to the  
28 contrary, the deduction authorized by this section shall not apply to compensation received  
29 while engaging in civilian federal service, including civil service positions requiring the  
30 wearing of military uniform and military affiliation.

173.239. 1. Any member of the Missouri National Guard who possesses the  
2 qualifications set forth in this section may, **while he or she is a member of the Missouri**  
3 **National Guard**, be awarded ~~an~~ educational assistance **in the form of:**

4           **(1) A tuition and fee waiver for undergraduate courses at a postsecondary**  
5 **institution of higher education located in this state that directly receives funds**  
6 **appropriated by the general assembly. This tuition and fee waiver shall not be**  
7 **implemented prior to the 2025-26 academic year. The tuition and fee waiver shall be**  
8 **only for tuition and fees that remain after the application of all payments from a tuition**  
9 **assistance program of the National Guard, Army, or Air Force; additional federal**  
10 **military tuition assistance; GI Bill educational entitlements; awarded external**  
11 **scholarships; and federal financial grants, including the Pell grant, that are available**  
12 **to the member in the current semester. For purposes of this section, "fee" or "fees"**

13 **mean any mandatory fees charged by an institution to all full-time students as a**  
14 **condition of enrollment; or**

15 **(2) A grant to an [approved public institution or an approved private] eligible**  
16 **institution[~~, as those terms are defined in either section 173.205 or section 173.778,~~] of his or**  
17 **her choice [~~while he or she is a member of the Missouri National Guard. Funding for~~**  
18 **~~educational assistance pursuant to this section may be requested annually in the budget of the~~**  
19 **~~Missouri National Guard. Educational assistance provided pursuant to this section shall not~~**  
20 **~~exceed funds appropriated for that purpose]. For purposes of this subdivision, the term~~**  
21 **"eligible institution" shall mean:**

22 **(a) An approved public institution or an approved private institution, as those**  
23 **terms are defined in section 173.1102; or**

24 **(b) Any institution of postsecondary education that is required by law to be, and**  
25 **currently is, certified to operate by the coordinating board for higher education; that is**  
26 **institutionally accredited by an accrediting commission recognized by the United States**  
27 **Department of Education; that has operated continuously in this state for five or more**  
28 **years; that has no more than fifty percent of its students in correspondence programs;**  
29 **and that offers a one-year or two-year certificate, associate or baccalaureate degree**  
30 **programs, or graduate or professional degree programs.**

31 **2. (1) Educational assistance provided under this section shall not exceed the [least]**  
32 **lesser of the following:**

33 **[~~(1)~~] (a) The actual tuition, as defined in section 173.260, charged at an approved**  
34 **institution where the [individual] member is enrolled or accepted for enrollment; or**

35 **[~~(2)~~] (b) The [amount] product of the number of credit hours taken multiplied by**  
36 **the average tuition cost per credit hour charged to a Missouri resident at the University of**  
37 **Missouri for attendance[;], with such average cost determined by the Missouri National**  
38 **Guard.**

39 **[~~(3)~~] (2) The grants provided under this section may be prorated subject to**  
40 **appropriations in an amount no less than fifty percent of the limits set forth in this [section]**  
41 **subsection.**

42 **3. (1) For either type of educational assistance described in this section, a**  
43 **member of the Missouri National Guard [~~seeking educational assistance pursuant to this~~**  
44 **~~section] may apply to the appropriate office of the Missouri National Guard before each~~**  
45 **semester. The member shall:**

46 **(a) Provide a certificate of satisfactory service of his or her Missouri National Guard**  
47 **duties from his or her commanding officer [~~and shall~~];**

48 **(b) Possess all other necessary entrance requirements of the school of his or her**  
49 **choice [~~and shall maintain~~];**

50           **(c) Provide proof of maintaining** a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least  
51 two point five on a [~~four-point~~] **four-point** scale, or the equivalent on another scale approved  
52 by the program administrator, while attending the approved public or private institution;

53           **(d) Have not yet earned a bachelor's degree; and**

54           **(e) Have completed and submitted a FAFSA for the academic term for which**  
55 **educational assistance is requested.**

56           **(2) For the tuition and fee waiver, the waiver shall be awarded if the member**  
57 **applies and is otherwise eligible pursuant to this section, but the waiver shall be**  
58 **awarded only after the Missouri National Guard has distributed any moneys available**  
59 **for the member through the state tuition assistance program.**

60           4. If the grade point average of a member who is receiving educational assistance  
61 pursuant to this section falls below two point five on a [~~four-point~~] **four-point** scale, or the  
62 equivalent on another scale, such member shall retain the educational assistance and shall be  
63 placed on probation under the educational assistance program. Failure to achieve a current  
64 grade point average of at least two point five on a [~~four-point~~] **four-point** scale or the  
65 equivalent on another scale for future semesters or equivalent academic terms shall result in  
66 termination of the [~~scholarship~~] **educational assistance** effective as of the next academic  
67 term. The member shall be removed from probation status upon achieving a cumulative  
68 grade point average of two point five on a [~~four-point~~] **four-point** scale or the equivalent on  
69 another scale.

70           5. **For the tuition and fee waiver, an applicant shall cease to be eligible if the total**  
71 **number of credit hours completed by the applicant exceeds one hundred twenty. Credit**  
72 **hours earned with the educational assistance described in this section and credit hours**  
73 **earned without the educational assistance described in this section shall be counted to**  
74 **determine the total number of credit hours completed by an applicant for purposes of**  
75 **this subsection.**

76           6. **The tuition and fee waiver shall not be available in any fiscal year in which the**  
77 **percent of total program costs covered by the state appropriation for the educational**  
78 **assistance provided pursuant to this section has decreased compared to the previous**  
79 **fiscal year.**

80           7. If a recipient of **either type of** educational assistance pursuant to this section  
81 ceases to maintain their active military affiliation while enrolled in an academic semester or  
82 term for any reason except death, disability, or medical disqualification the educational  
83 assistance shall be terminated and the recipient shall repay any amounts awarded **or waived**  
84 for the academic semester or term.

85 ~~[6. Applicants for educational assistance pursuant to this section shall meet the~~  
86 ~~qualifications established by section 173.215, except the provisions of subdivisions (2) and~~  
87 ~~(4) of subsection 1 of section 173.215, and shall be qualified, full-time or part-time students.~~

88 ~~7.]~~ 8. The educational assistance program established pursuant to this section shall be  
89 administered by the office of the adjutant general of the Missouri National Guard. The  
90 Missouri National Guard shall establish guidelines for equitable administrative distribution of  
91 educational assistance.

**227.854. The portion of U.S. Highway 63 from the south end of CRD 637 loop  
2 continuing north through the City of Freeburg to Dogwood Street in Osage County shall  
3 be designated the "POW/MIA SSG Paul Hasenbeck Memorial Highway". The  
4 department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating  
5 such highway, with the costs to be paid by the department of transportation.**

301.142. 1. As used in sections 301.141 to 301.143, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Department", the department of revenue;
- 3 (2) "Director", the director of the department of revenue;
- 4 (3) "Other authorized health care practitioner" includes advanced practice registered  
5 nurses licensed pursuant to chapter 335, physician assistants licensed pursuant to chapter 334,  
6 chiropractors licensed pursuant to chapter 331, podiatrists licensed pursuant to chapter 330,  
7 assistant physicians, physical therapists licensed pursuant to chapter 334, and optometrists  
8 licensed pursuant to chapter 336;
- 9 (4) "Physically disabled", a natural person who is blind, as defined in section 8.700,  
10 or a natural person with medical disabilities which prohibits, limits, or severely impairs one's  
11 ability to ambulate or walk, as determined by a licensed physician or other authorized health  
12 care practitioner as follows:
  - 13 (a) The person cannot ambulate or walk fifty or less feet without stopping to rest due  
14 to a severe and disabling arthritic, neurological, orthopedic condition, or other severe and  
15 disabling condition; or
  - 16 (b) The person cannot ambulate or walk without the use of, or assistance from, a  
17 brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, wheelchair, or other assistive device; or
  - 18 (c) Is restricted by a respiratory or other disease to such an extent that the person's  
19 forced respiratory expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less  
20 than one liter, or the arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty mm/hg on room air at rest; or
  - 21 (d) Uses portable oxygen; or
  - 22 (e) Has a cardiac condition to the extent that the person's functional limitations are  
23 classified in severity as class III or class IV according to standards set by the American Heart  
24 Association; or



25 (f) **Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of subsection 16 of this**  
26 **section**, a person's age, in and of itself, shall not be a factor in determining whether such  
27 person is physically disabled or is otherwise entitled to disabled license plates and/or disabled  
28 windshield hanging placards within the meaning of sections 301.141 to 301.143;

29 (5) "Physician", a person licensed to practice medicine pursuant to chapter 334;

30 (6) "Physician's statement", a statement personally signed by a duly authorized person  
31 which certifies that a person is disabled as defined in this section;

32 (7) "Temporarily disabled person", a disabled person as defined in this section whose  
33 disability or incapacity is expected to last no more than one hundred eighty days;

34 (8) "Temporary windshield placard", a placard to be issued to persons who are  
35 temporarily disabled persons as defined in this section, certification of which shall be  
36 indicated on the physician's statement;

37 (9) "Windshield placard", a placard to be issued to persons who are physically  
38 disabled as defined in this section, certification of which shall be indicated on the physician's  
39 statement.

40 2. Other authorized health care practitioners may furnish to a disabled or temporarily  
41 disabled person a physician's statement for only those physical health care conditions for  
42 which such health care practitioner is legally authorized to diagnose and treat.

43 3. A physician's statement shall:

44 (1) Be on a form prescribed by the director of revenue;

45 (2) Set forth the specific diagnosis and medical condition which renders the person  
46 physically disabled or temporarily disabled as defined in this section;

47 (3) Include the physician's or other authorized health care practitioner's license  
48 number; and

49 (4) Be personally signed by the issuing physician or other authorized health care  
50 practitioner.

51 4. If it is the professional opinion of the physician or other authorized health care  
52 practitioner issuing the statement that the physical disability of the applicant, user, or member  
53 of the applicant's household is permanent, it shall be noted on the statement. Otherwise, the  
54 physician or other authorized health care practitioner shall note on the statement the  
55 anticipated length of the disability, **which shall determine the expiration date for the**  
56 **temporary windshield placard, and** which period [~~may~~] shall not exceed one hundred  
57 eighty days. If the physician or health care practitioner fails to record an expiration date on  
58 the physician's statement, the director shall issue a temporary windshield placard for a period  
59 of thirty days.

60 5. A physician or other authorized health care practitioner who issues or signs a  
61 physician's statement so that disabled plates or a disabled windshield placard may be obtained

62 shall maintain in such disabled person's medical chart documentation that such a certificate  
63 has been issued, the date the statement was signed, the diagnosis or condition which existed  
64 that qualified the person as disabled pursuant to this section and shall contain sufficient  
65 documentation so as to objectively confirm that such condition exists.

66         6. The medical or other records of the physician or other authorized health care  
67 practitioner who issued a physician's statement shall be open to inspection and review by such  
68 practitioner's licensing board, in order to verify compliance with this section. Information  
69 contained within such records shall be confidential unless required for prosecution,  
70 disciplinary purposes, or otherwise required to be disclosed by law.

71         7. Owners of motor vehicles who are residents of the state of Missouri, and who are  
72 physically disabled, owners of motor vehicles operated at least fifty percent of the time by a  
73 physically disabled person, or owners of motor vehicles used to primarily transport physically  
74 disabled members of the owner's household may obtain disabled person license plates. Such  
75 owners, upon application~~[-]~~ **to the director** accompanied by the documents and fees provided  
76 for in this section, a current physician's statement which has been issued within ninety days  
77 proceeding the date the application is made, and proof of compliance with the state motor  
78 vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, shall be issued motor  
79 vehicle license plates for vehicles, other than commercial vehicles with a gross weight in  
80 excess of twenty-four thousand pounds, upon which shall be inscribed the international  
81 wheelchair accessibility symbol and the word "DISABLED" in addition to a combination of  
82 letters and numbers. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a  
83 common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically  
84 attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. If at any time an individual who obtained  
85 disabled license plates issued under this subsection no longer occupies a residence with a  
86 physically disabled person, or no longer owns a vehicle that is operated at least fifty percent  
87 of the time by a physically disabled person, such individual shall surrender the disabled  
88 license plates to the department within thirty days of becoming ineligible for their use.

89         8. The director shall further issue, upon request, to such applicant one, and for good  
90 cause shown, as the director may define by rule and regulations, not more than two,  
91 removable disabled windshield hanging placards for use when the disabled person is  
92 occupying a vehicle or when a vehicle not bearing the permanent handicap plate is being used  
93 to pick up, deliver, or collect the physically disabled person issued the disabled motor vehicle  
94 license plate or disabled windshield hanging placard.

95         9. No additional fee shall be paid to the director for the issuance of the special license  
96 plates provided in this section, except for special personalized license plates and other license  
97 plates described in this subsection. Priority for any specific set of special license plates shall  
98 be given to the applicant who received the number in the immediately preceding license

99 period subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of this section and any  
100 applicable rules or regulations issued by the director. If determined feasible by the advisory  
101 committee established in section 301.129, any special license plate issued pursuant to this  
102 section may be adapted to also include the international wheelchair accessibility symbol and  
103 the word "DISABLED" as prescribed in this section and such plate may be issued to any  
104 applicant who meets the requirements of this section and the other appropriate provision of  
105 this chapter, subject to the requirements and fees of the appropriate provision of this chapter.

106         10. Any physically disabled person, or the parent or guardian of any such person, or  
107 any not-for-profit group, organization, or other entity which transports more than one  
108 physically disabled person, may apply to the director of revenue for a removable windshield  
109 placard. The placard may be used in motor vehicles which do not bear the permanent  
110 handicap symbol on the license plate. Such placards must be hung from the front, middle  
111 rearview mirror of a parked motor vehicle and may not be hung from the mirror during  
112 operation. These placards may only be used during the period of time when the vehicle is  
113 being used by a disabled person, or when the vehicle is being used to pick up, deliver, or  
114 collect a disabled person, and shall be surrendered to the department, within thirty days, if a  
115 group, organization, or entity that obtained the removable windshield placard due to the  
116 transportation of more than one physically disabled person no longer transports more than one  
117 disabled person. When there is no rearview mirror, the placard shall be displayed on the  
118 dashboard on the driver's side.

119         11. The removable windshield placard shall conform to the specifications, in respect  
120 to size, color, and content, as set forth in federal regulations published by the Department of  
121 Transportation. The removable windshield placard shall be renewed every four years. The  
122 director may stagger the expiration dates to equalize workload. Only one removable placard  
123 may be issued to an applicant who has been issued disabled person license plates. Upon  
124 request, one additional windshield placard may be issued to an applicant who has not been  
125 issued disabled person license plates.

126         12. A temporary windshield placard shall be issued to any physically disabled person,  
127 or the parent or guardian of any such person who otherwise qualifies except that the physical  
128 disability, in the opinion of the physician, is not expected to exceed a period of one hundred  
129 eighty days. The temporary windshield placard shall conform to the specifications, in respect  
130 to size, color, and content, as set forth in federal regulations published by the Department of  
131 Transportation. The fee for the temporary windshield placard shall be two dollars. Upon  
132 request, and for good cause shown, one additional temporary windshield placard may be  
133 issued to an applicant. Temporary windshield placards shall be issued upon presentation of  
134 the physician's statement provided by this section and shall be displayed in the same manner  
135 as removable windshield placards. A person or entity shall be qualified to possess and

136 display a temporary removable windshield placard for six months and the placard may be  
137 renewed once for an additional six months if a physician's statement pursuant to this section is  
138 supplied to the director of revenue at the time of renewal.

139 ~~13. [Application for license plates or windshield placards issued pursuant to this~~  
140 ~~section shall be made to the director of revenue and shall be accompanied by a statement~~  
141 ~~signed by a licensed physician or other authorized health care practitioner which certifies that~~  
142 ~~the applicant, user, or member of the applicant's household is a physically disabled person as~~  
143 ~~defined by this section.~~

144 ~~14. The] A windshield~~ placard shall be renewable only by the person or entity to  
145 which the placard was originally issued. Any placard issued pursuant to this section shall  
146 only be used when the physically disabled occupant for whom the disabled plate or placard  
147 was issued is in the motor vehicle at the time of parking or when a physically disabled person  
148 is being delivered or collected. A disabled license plate and/or a removable windshield  
149 hanging placard are not transferable and may not be used by any other person whether  
150 disabled or not.

151 ~~[15.]~~ 14. At the time the disabled plates or windshield hanging placards are issued,  
152 the director shall issue a registration certificate which shall include the applicant's name,  
153 address, and other identifying information as prescribed by the director, or if issued to an  
154 agency, such agency's name and address. This certificate shall further contain the disabled  
155 license plate number or, for windshield hanging placards, the registration or identifying  
156 number stamped on the placard. The validated registration receipt given to the applicant shall  
157 serve as the registration certificate.

158 ~~[16.]~~ 15. The director shall, upon issuing any disabled registration certificate for  
159 license plates and/or windshield hanging placards, provide information which explains that  
160 such plates or windshield hanging placards are nontransferable, and the restrictions  
161 explaining who and when a person or vehicle which bears or has the disabled plates or  
162 windshield hanging placards may be used or be parked in a disabled reserved parking space,  
163 and the penalties prescribed for violations of the provisions of this act.

164 ~~[17.]~~ 16. (1) **Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,** every ~~[new]~~  
165 applicant for **issuance of** a disabled license plate or placard shall be required to present a new  
166 physician's statement dated no more than ninety days prior to such application~~[-Renewal~~  
167 ~~applicants will be required to submit a physician's statement dated no more than ninety days~~  
168 ~~prior to such application upon their first renewal occurring on or after August 1, 2005. Upon~~  
169 ~~completing subsequent], and for renewal applications[;] a physician's statement dated no~~  
170 more than ninety days prior to such application shall be required every eighth year. ~~[Such~~  
171 ~~physician's statement shall state the expiration date for the temporary windshield placard. If~~  
172 ~~the physician fails to record an expiration date on the physician's statement, the director shall~~

173 issue the temporary windshield placard for a period of thirty days. The director may stagger  
174 the requirement of a physician's statement on all renewals for the initial implementation of an  
175 eight-year period.]

176 **(2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if the applicant has**  
177 **presented proof of disability in the form of a statement from the United States**  
178 **Department of Veterans Affairs verifying that the person is permanently disabled, the**  
179 **applicant shall not be required to provide a physician's statement for the purpose of**  
180 **issuance or renewal of disabled person license plates or windshield placards.**

181 **(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (f) of subdivision (4) of**  
182 **subsection 1 of this section, any person seventy-five years of age or older who provided a**  
183 **physician's statement with the original application shall not be required to provide a**  
184 **physician's statement for the purpose of renewal of disabled person license plates or**  
185 **windshield placards.**

186 [48.] 17. The director of revenue upon receiving a physician's statement pursuant to  
187 this subsection shall check with the state board of registration for the healing arts created in  
188 section 334.120, or the Missouri state board of nursing established in section 335.021, with  
189 respect to physician's statements signed by advanced practice registered nurses, or the  
190 Missouri state board of chiropractic examiners established in section 331.090, with respect to  
191 physician's statements signed by licensed chiropractors, or with the board of optometry  
192 established in section 336.130, with respect to physician's statements signed by licensed  
193 optometrists, or the state board of podiatric medicine created in section 330.100, with respect  
194 to physician's statements signed by physicians of the foot or podiatrists to determine whether  
195 the physician is duly licensed and registered pursuant to law. [If such applicant obtaining a  
196 disabled license plate or placard presents proof of disability in the form of a statement from  
197 the United States Veterans' Administration verifying that the person is permanently disabled,  
198 the applicant shall be exempt from the eight-year certification requirement of this subsection  
199 for renewal of the plate or placard. Initial applications shall be accompanied by the  
200 physician's statement required by this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph  
201 (f) of subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section, any person seventy-five years of age or  
202 older who provided the physician's statement with the original application shall not be  
203 required to provide a physician's statement for the purpose of renewal of disabled persons  
204 license plates or windshield placards.]

205 [49.] 18. The boards shall cooperate with the director and shall supply information  
206 requested pursuant to this subsection. The director shall, in cooperation with the boards  
207 which shall assist the director, establish a list of all Missouri physicians and other authorized  
208 health care practitioners and of any other information necessary to administer this section.

209           ~~[20-]~~ **19.** Where the owner's application is based on the fact that the vehicle is used at  
210 least fifty percent of the time by a physically disabled person, the applicant shall submit a  
211 statement stating this fact, in addition to the physician's statement. The statement shall be  
212 signed by both the owner of the vehicle and the physically disabled person. The applicant  
213 shall be required to submit this statement with each application for license plates. No person  
214 shall willingly or knowingly submit a false statement and any such false statement shall be  
215 considered perjury and may be punishable pursuant to section 301.420.

216           ~~[21-]~~ **20.** The director of revenue shall retain all physicians' statements and all other  
217 documents received in connection with a person's application for disabled license plates and/  
218 or disabled windshield placards.

219           ~~[22-]~~ **21.** The director of revenue shall enter into reciprocity agreements with other  
220 states or the federal government for the purpose of recognizing disabled person license plates  
221 or windshield placards issued to physically disabled persons.

222           ~~[23-]~~ **22.** When a person to whom disabled person license plates or a removable or  
223 temporary windshield placard or both have been issued dies, the personal representative of the  
224 decedent or such other person who may come into or otherwise take possession of the  
225 disabled license plates or disabled windshield placard shall return the same to the director of  
226 revenue under penalty of law. Failure to return such plates or placards shall constitute a class  
227 B misdemeanor.

228           ~~[24-]~~ **23.** The director of revenue may order any person issued disabled person license  
229 plates or windshield placards to submit to an examination by a chiropractor, osteopath, or  
230 physician, or to such other investigation as will determine whether such person qualifies for  
231 the special plates or placards.

232           ~~[25-]~~ **24.** If such person refuses to submit or is found to no longer qualify for special  
233 plates or placards provided for in this section, the director of revenue shall collect the special  
234 plates or placards, and shall furnish license plates to replace the ones collected as provided by  
235 this chapter.

236           ~~[26-]~~ **25.** In the event a removable or temporary windshield placard is lost, stolen, or  
237 mutilated, the lawful holder thereof shall, within five days, file with the director of revenue an  
238 application and an affidavit stating such fact, in order to purchase a new placard. The fee for  
239 the replacement windshield placard shall be four dollars.

240           ~~[27-]~~ **26.** Fraudulent application, renewal, issuance, procurement or use of disabled  
241 person license plates or windshield placards shall be a class A misdemeanor. It is a class B  
242 misdemeanor for a physician, chiropractor, podiatrist or optometrist to certify that an  
243 individual or family member is qualified for a license plate or windshield placard based on a  
244 disability, the diagnosis of which is outside their scope of practice or if there is no basis for  
245 the diagnosis.

301.3030. 1. **Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no special license plates involving military actions or personnel shall require a special fee for issuance or personalization of one set of such plates issued to each qualified applicant. Additional sets of special license plates issued to the qualified applicant may be subject to fees for special license plate issuance or personalization as otherwise required by law.**

2. Any special license plates involving military actions or personnel that are authorized after August 28, 2006, shall not limit the number of license plates any person qualified for such special license plate may obtain so long as each set of license plates issued is issued for vehicles owned solely or jointly by the qualified applicant.

301.3061. 1. Any person eligible for membership in the Disabled American Veterans and who possesses a valid membership card issued by the Disabled American Veterans may apply for Missouri Disabled American Veterans license plates for any motor vehicle the person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight. The Missouri Disabled American Veterans hereby authorizes the use of its official emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license plates as provided in this section.

2. Upon presentation of a current photo identification, the person's valid membership card issued by the Disabled American Veterans, and payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees and presentation of other documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue a personalized license plate to the vehicle owner, which shall bear the emblem of the Disabled American Veterans **organization, [an emblem consisting exclusively of a red letter "D", followed by a white letter "A" and a blue letter "V" in modified block letters, with each letter having a black shaded edging, and shall engrave the words "WARTIME DISABLED" in red letters centered]** **and shall have an authorized Disabled American Veterans' slogan** near the bottom of the plate. Such license plates shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. A fee for the issuance of personalized license plates issued under section 301.144 shall not be required for plates issued under this section.

3. Any person who applies for a Disabled American Veterans license plate under this section to be used on a vehicle commonly known and referred to as a pickup truck may be issued a Disabled American Veterans license plate with the designation "beyond local" indicated in the upper right corner of the plate.

4. There shall be no limit on the number of license plates any person qualified under this section may obtain so long as each set of license plates issued under this section is issued for vehicles owned solely or jointly by such person. License plates issued under this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered co-owner of the motor

29 vehicle may operate the motor vehicle for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the  
30 death of the qualified person.

31 5. The director shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.  
32 Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under  
33 the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is  
34 subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section  
35 and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly  
36 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a  
37 rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any  
38 rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2006, shall be invalid and void.

**301.3180. 1. Any person who has been awarded the military service award  
2 known as the "Army of Occupation Medal" may apply for Army of Occupation Medal  
3 motor vehicle license plates for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or  
4 jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed  
5 in excess of twenty-four thousand pounds gross weight.**

6 **2. Any such person shall make application for the Army of Occupation Medal  
7 license plates on a form provided by the director of revenue and shall furnish such proof  
8 as a recipient of the Army of Occupation Medal as the director may require. The  
9 director shall then issue license plates bearing letters or numbers or a combination  
10 thereof as determined by the director with the words "ARMY OF OCCUPATION  
11 MEDAL" in place of the words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates shall be  
12 made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be  
13 clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section  
14 301.130. Such plates shall also bear an image of the Army of Occupation Medal.**

15 **3. There shall be a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the regular registration fees  
16 charged for each set of Army of Occupation Medal license plates issued pursuant to this  
17 section. A fee for the issuance of personalized license plates pursuant to section 301.144  
18 shall not be required for plates issued pursuant to this section. There shall be no limit  
19 on the number of license plates any person qualified pursuant to this section may obtain  
20 so long as each set of license plates issued pursuant to this section is issued for vehicles  
21 owned solely or jointly by such person. License plates issued pursuant to the provisions  
22 of this section shall not be transferable to any other person except that any registered  
23 co-owner of the motor vehicle shall be entitled to operate the motor vehicle with such  
24 plates for the duration of the year licensed in the event of the death of the qualified  
25 person.**

302.188. 1. A person may apply to the department of revenue to obtain a veteran  
2 designation on a driver's license or identification card issued under this chapter by providing:



3 (1) A United States Department of Defense discharge document, otherwise known as  
4 a DD Form 214, that shows a discharge status of "honorable" or "general under honorable  
5 conditions" that establishes the person's service in the Armed Forces of the United States; or

6 (2) A United States Uniformed Services Identification Card, otherwise known as a  
7 DD Form 2, that includes a discharge status of "retired" or "reserve retired" establishing the  
8 person's service in the Armed Forces of the United States; or

9 (3) A United States Department of Veterans Affairs photo identification card; or

10 (4) A **United States military** discharge document, **including, but not limited to, a**  
11 **WD AGO 53, WD AGO 55, WD AGO 53-55, NAVPERS 553, NAVMC 78 PD, NAVCG**  
12 **553, DD 256MC, or DD 215 form, that shows a discharge status of "honorable" or "general**  
13 **under honorable conditions"; and**

14 (5) Payment of the fee for the driver's license or identification card authorized under  
15 this chapter.

16 2. If the person is seeking a duplicate driver's license with the veteran designation and  
17 his or her driver's license has not expired, the fee shall be as provided under section 302.185.

18 3. The department of revenue shall place the veteran designation on the front of  
19 driver's licenses and identification cards authorized under this section [~~and may promulgate~~  
20 ~~the necessary rules for administration of this section~~].

21 4. **The department of revenue may promulgate rules as necessary for the**  
22 **administration of this section.** Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in  
23 section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become  
24 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and if  
25 applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the  
26 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the  
27 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then  
28 the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2012,  
29 shall be invalid and void.

**452.1200. Sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 may be cited as the "Uniform Deployed**  
2 **Parents Custody and Visitation Act".**

**452.1202. In sections 452.1200 to 452.1258:**

2 (1) **"Adult" means an individual who has attained eighteen years of age or an**  
3 **emancipated minor;**

4 (2) **"Caretaking authority" means the right to live with and care for a child on a**  
5 **day-to-day basis. The term includes physical custody, parenting time, right to access,**  
6 **and visitation;**

7 (3) **"Child" means:**

8 (a) **An unemancipated individual who has not attained eighteen years of age; or**

9           **(b) An adult son or daughter by birth or adoption, or under law of this state**  
10 **other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258, who is the subject of a court order concerning**  
11 **custodial responsibility;**

12           **(4) "Court" means a tribunal authorized under law of this state other than**  
13 **sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 to make, enforce, or modify a decision regarding custodial**  
14 **responsibility;**

15           **(5) "Custodial responsibility" includes all powers and duties relating to**  
16 **caretaking authority and decision-making authority for a child. The term includes**  
17 **physical custody, legal custody, parenting time, right to access, visitation, and authority**  
18 **to grant limited contact with a child;**

19           **(6) "Decision-making authority" means the power to make important decisions**  
20 **regarding a child, including decisions regarding the child's education, religious training,**  
21 **health care, extracurricular activities, and travel. The term does not include the power**  
22 **to make decisions that necessarily accompany a grant of caretaking authority;**

23           **(7) "Deploying parent" means a service member, who is deployed or has been**  
24 **notified of impending deployment and is:**

25           **(a) A parent of a child under law of this state other than sections 452.1200 to**  
26 **452.1258; or**

27           **(b) An individual who has custodial responsibility for a child under law of this**  
28 **state other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258;**

29           **(8) "Deployment" means the movement or mobilization of a service member for**  
30 **more than ninety days but less than eighteen months pursuant to uniformed service**  
31 **orders that:**

32           **(a) Are designated as unaccompanied;**

33           **(b) Do not authorize dependent travel; or**

34           **(c) Otherwise do not permit the movement of family members to the location to**  
35 **which the service member is deployed;**

36           **(9) "Family member" means a sibling, aunt, uncle, cousin, stepparent, or**  
37 **grandparent of a child or an individual recognized to be in a familial relationship with a**  
38 **child under law of this state other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258;**

39           **(10) "Limited contact" means the authority of a nonparent to visit a child for a**  
40 **limited time. The term includes authority to take the child to a place other than the**  
41 **residence of the child;**

42           **(11) "Nonparent" means an individual other than a deploying parent or other**  
43 **parent;**

44           **(12) "Other parent" means an individual who, in common with a deploying**  
45 **parent, is:**

46 (a) A parent of a child under law of this state other than sections 452.1200 to  
47 452.1258; or

48 (b) An individual who has custodial responsibility for a child under law of this  
49 state other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258;

50 (13) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that  
51 is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form;

52 (14) "Return from deployment" means the conclusion of a service member's  
53 deployment as specified in uniformed service orders;

54 (15) "Service member" means a member of a uniformed service;

55 (16) "Sign" means, with present intent to authenticate or adopt a record:

56 (a) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol; or

57 (b) To attach to or logically associate with the record an electronic symbol,  
58 sound, or process;

59 (17) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto  
60 Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to  
61 the jurisdiction of the United States;

62 (18) "Uniformed service" means:

63 (a) Active and reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps,  
64 or Coast Guard of the United States;

65 (b) The United States Merchant Marine;

66 (c) The commissioned corps of the United States Public Health Service;

67 (d) The commissioned corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
68 Administration of the United States; or

69 (e) The National Guard of a state.

452.1204. In addition to other remedies under law of this state other than  
2 sections 452.1200 to 452.1258, if a court finds that a party to a proceeding under sections  
3 452.1200 to 452.1258 has acted in bad faith or intentionally failed to comply with  
4 sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 or a court order issued under sections 452.1200 to  
5 452.1258, the court may assess reasonable attorney's fees and costs against the party and  
6 order other appropriate relief.

452.1206. 1. A court may issue an order regarding custodial responsibility under  
2 sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 only if the court has jurisdiction under sections 452.700 to  
3 452.930.

4 2. If a court has issued a temporary order regarding custodial responsibility  
5 pursuant to sections 452.1224 to 452.1244, the residence of the deploying parent is not  
6 changed by reason of the deployment for the purposes of sections 452.700 to 452.930  
7 during the deployment.

8           **3. If a court has issued a permanent order regarding custodial responsibility**  
9 **before notice of deployment and the parents modify that order temporarily by**  
10 **agreement pursuant to sections 452.1214 to 452.1222, the residence of the deploying**  
11 **parent is not changed by reason of the deployment for the purposes of sections 452.700**  
12 **to 452.930.**

13           **4. If a court in another state has issued a temporary order regarding custodial**  
14 **responsibility as a result of impending or current deployment, the residence of the**  
15 **deploying parent is not changed by reason of the deployment for the purposes of**  
16 **sections 452.700 to 452.930.**

17           **5. This section does not prevent a court from exercising temporary emergency**  
18 **jurisdiction under sections 452.700 to 452.930.**

**452.1208. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 of this section and**  
2 **subject to subsection 3 of this section, a deploying parent shall notify in a record the**  
3 **other parent of a pending deployment not later than seven days after receiving notice of**  
4 **deployment unless reasonably prevented from doing so by the circumstances of service.**  
5 **If the circumstances of service prevent giving notification within the seven days, the**  
6 **deploying parent shall give the notification as soon as reasonably possible.**

7           **2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 of this section and subject to**  
8 **subsection 3 of this section, each parent shall provide in a record the other parent with a**  
9 **plan for fulfilling that parent's share of custodial responsibility during deployment.**  
10 **Each parent shall provide the plan as soon as reasonably possible after notification of**  
11 **deployment is given under subsection 1 of this section.**

12           **3. If a court order currently in effect prohibits disclosure of the address or**  
13 **contact information of the other parent, notification of deployment under subsection 1**  
14 **of this section, or notification of a plan for custodial responsibility during deployment**  
15 **under subsection 2 of this section, may be made only to the issuing court. If the address**  
16 **of the other parent is available to the issuing court, the court shall forward the**  
17 **notification to the other parent. The court shall keep confidential the address or contact**  
18 **information of the other parent.**

19           **4. Notification in a record under subsection 1 or 2 of this section is not required**  
20 **if the parents are living in the same residence and both parents have actual notice of the**  
21 **deployment or plan.**

22           **5. In a proceeding regarding custodial responsibility, a court may consider the**  
23 **reasonableness of a parent's efforts to comply with this section.**

**452.1210. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of this section, an**  
2 **individual to whom custodial responsibility has been granted during deployment**  
3 **pursuant to sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 or sections 452.1224 to 452.1244 shall notify**

4 the deploying parent and any other individual with custodial responsibility of a child of  
5 any change of the individual's mailing address or residence until the grant is terminated.  
6 The individual shall provide the notice to any court that has issued a custody or child  
7 support order concerning the child which is in effect.

8       2. If a court order currently in effect prohibits disclosure of the address or  
9 contact information of an individual to whom custodial responsibility has been granted,  
10 a notification under subsection 1 of this section may be made only to the court that  
11 issued the order. The court shall keep confidential the mailing address or residence of  
12 the individual to whom custodial responsibility has been granted.

452.1212. In a proceeding for custodial responsibility of a child of a service  
2 member, a court may not consider a parent's past deployment or possible future  
3 deployment in itself in determining the best interest of the child but may consider any  
4 significant impact on the best interest of the child of the parent's past or possible future  
5 deployment.

452.1214. 1. The parents of a child may enter into a temporary agreement under  
2 sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 granting custodial responsibility during deployment.

3       2. An agreement under subsection 1 of this section must be:

4       (1) In writing; and

5       (2) Signed by both parents and any nonparent to whom custodial responsibility  
6 is granted.

7       3. Subject to subsection 4 of this section, an agreement under subsection 1 of this  
8 section, if feasible, must:

9       (1) Identify the destination, duration, and conditions of the deployment that is  
10 the basis for the agreement;

11       (2) Specify the allocation of caretaking authority among the deploying parent,  
12 the other parent, and any nonparent;

13       (3) Specify any decision-making authority that accompanies a grant of  
14 caretaking authority;

15       (4) Specify any grant of limited contact to a nonparent;

16       (5) If under the agreement custodial responsibility is shared by the other parent  
17 and a nonparent, or by other nonparents, provide a process to resolve any dispute that  
18 may arise;

19       (6) Specify the frequency, duration, and means, including electronic means, by  
20 which the deploying parent will have contact with the child, any role to be played by the  
21 other parent in facilitating the contact, and the allocation of any costs of contact;

22       (7) Specify the contact between the deploying parent and child during the time  
23 the deploying parent is on leave or is otherwise available;

24           **(8) Acknowledge that any party's child-support obligation cannot be modified**  
25 **by the agreement, and that changing the terms of the obligation during deployment**  
26 **requires modification in the appropriate court;**

27           **(9) Provide that the agreement will terminate according to the procedures under**  
28 **sections 452.1246 to 452.1252 after the deploying parent returns from deployment; and**

29           **(10) If the agreement must be filed pursuant to section 452.1222, specify which**  
30 **parent is required to file the agreement.**

31           **4. The omission of any of the items specified in subsection 3 of this section does**  
32 **not invalidate an agreement under this section.**

**452.1216. 1. An agreement under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 is temporary**  
2 **and terminates pursuant to sections 452.1246 to 452.1252 after the deploying parent**  
3 **returns from deployment, unless the agreement has been terminated before that time by**  
4 **court order or modification under section 452.1218. The agreement does not create an**  
5 **independent, continuing right to caretaking authority, decision-making authority, or**  
6 **limited contact in an individual to whom custodial responsibility is given.**

7           **2. A nonparent who has caretaking authority, decision-making authority, or**  
8 **limited contact by an agreement under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 has standing to**  
9 **enforce the agreement until it has been terminated by court order, by modification**  
10 **under section 452.1218, or under sections 452.1246 to 452.1252.**

**452.1218. 1. By mutual consent, the parents of a child may modify an agreement**  
2 **regarding custodial responsibility made pursuant to sections 452.1214 to 452.1222.**

3           **2. If an agreement is modified under subsection 1 of this section before**  
4 **deployment of a deploying parent, the modification must be in writing and signed by**  
5 **both parents and any nonparent who will exercise custodial responsibility under the**  
6 **modified agreement.**

7           **3. If an agreement is modified under subsection 1 of this section during**  
8 **deployment of a deploying parent, the modification must be agreed to in a record by**  
9 **both parents and any nonparent who will exercise custodial responsibility under the**  
10 **modified agreement.**

**452.1220. A deploying parent, by power of attorney, may delegate all or part of**  
2 **custodial responsibility to an adult nonparent for the period of deployment if no other**  
3 **parent possesses custodial responsibility under law of this state other than sections**  
4 **452.1200 to 452.1258, or if a court order currently in effect prohibits contact between**  
5 **the child and the other parent. The deploying parent may revoke the power of attorney**  
6 **by signing a revocation of the power.**

**452.1222. An agreement or power of attorney under sections 452.1214 to**  
2 **452.1222 must be filed within a reasonable time with any court that has entered an**

3 order on custodial responsibility or child support that is in effect concerning the child  
4 who is the subject of the agreement or power. The case number and heading of the  
5 pending case concerning custodial responsibility or child support must be provided to  
6 the court with the agreement or power.

452.1224. In sections 452.1224 to 452.1244, "close and substantial relationship"  
2 means a relationship in which a significant bond exists between a child and a nonparent.

452.1226. 1. After a deploying parent receives notice of deployment and until the  
2 deployment terminates, a court may issue a temporary order granting custodial  
3 responsibility unless prohibited by the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C.  
4 Appendix Sections 521 and 522. A court may not issue a permanent order granting  
5 custodial responsibility without the consent of the deploying parent.

6 2. At any time after a deploying parent receives notice of deployment, either  
7 parent may file a motion regarding custodial responsibility of a child during  
8 deployment. The motion must be filed in a pending proceeding for custodial  
9 responsibility in a court with jurisdiction under section 452.1206 or, if there is no  
10 pending proceeding in a court with jurisdiction under section 452.1206, in a new action  
11 for granting custodial responsibility during deployment.

452.1228. If a motion to grant custodial responsibility is filed under subsection 2  
2 of section 452.1226 before a deploying parent deploys, the court shall conduct an  
3 expedited hearing.

452.1230. In a proceeding under sections 452.1224 to 452.1244, a party or  
2 witness who is not reasonably available to appear personally may appear, provide  
3 testimony, and present evidence by electronic means unless the court finds good cause to  
4 require a personal appearance.

452.1232. In a proceeding for a grant of custodial responsibility pursuant to  
2 sections 452.1224 to 452.1244, the following rules apply:

3 (1) A prior judicial order designating custodial responsibility in the event of  
4 deployment is binding on the court unless the circumstances meet the requirements of  
5 law of this state other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 for modifying a judicial order  
6 regarding custodial responsibility;

7 (2) The court shall enforce a prior written agreement between the parents for  
8 designating custodial responsibility in the event of deployment, including an agreement  
9 executed under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222, unless the court finds that the agreement  
10 is contrary to the best interest of the child.

452.1234. 1. On motion of a deploying parent and in accordance with law of this  
2 state other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258, if it is in the best interest of the child, a

3 court may grant caretaking authority to a nonparent who is an adult family member of  
4 the child or an adult with whom the child has a close and substantial relationship.

5 2. Unless a grant of caretaking authority to a nonparent under subsection 1 of  
6 this section is agreed to by the other parent, the grant is limited to an amount of time not  
7 greater than:

8 (1) The amount of time granted to the deploying parent under a permanent  
9 custody order, but the court may add unusual travel time necessary to transport the  
10 child; or

11 (2) In the absence of a permanent custody order that is currently in effect, the  
12 amount of time that the deploying parent habitually cared for the child before being  
13 notified of deployment, but the court may add unusual travel time necessary to  
14 transport the child.

15 3. A court may grant part of a deploying parent's decision-making authority, if  
16 the deploying parent is unable to exercise that authority, to a nonparent who is an adult  
17 family member of the child or an adult with whom the child has a close and substantial  
18 relationship. If a court grants the authority to a nonparent, the court shall specify the  
19 decision-making powers granted, including decisions regarding the child's education,  
20 religious training, health care, extracurricular activities, and travel.

452.1236. On motion of a deploying parent, and in accordance with law of this  
2 state other than sections 452.1200 to 452.1258, unless the court finds that the contact  
3 would be contrary to the best interest of the child, a court shall grant limited contact to a  
4 nonparent who is a family member of the child or an individual with whom the child has  
5 a close and substantial relationship.

452.1238. 1. A grant of authority under sections 452.1224 to 452.1244 is  
2 temporary and terminates under sections 452.1246 to 452.1252 after the return from  
3 deployment of the deploying parent, unless the grant has been terminated before that  
4 time by court order. The grant does not create an independent, continuing right to  
5 caretaking authority, decision-making authority, or limited contact in an individual to  
6 whom it is granted.

7 2. A nonparent granted caretaking authority, decision-making authority, or  
8 limited contact under sections 452.1224 to 452.1244 has standing to enforce the grant  
9 until it is terminated by court order or under sections 452.1246 to 452.1252.

452.1240. 1. An order granting custodial responsibility under sections 452.1224  
2 to 452.1244 must:

3 (1) Designate the order as temporary; and

4 (2) Identify to the extent feasible the destination, duration, and conditions of the  
5 deployment.



6           **2. If applicable, an order for custodial responsibility under sections 452.1224 to**  
7 **452.1244 must:**

8           **(1) Specify the allocation of caretaking authority, decision-making authority, or**  
9 **limited contact among the deploying parent, the other parent, and any nonparent;**

10           **(2) If the order divides caretaking or decision-making authority between**  
11 **individuals, or grants caretaking authority to one individual and limited contact to**  
12 **another, provide a process to resolve any dispute that may arise;**

13           **(3) Provide for liberal communication between the deploying parent and the**  
14 **child during deployment, including through electronic means, unless contrary to the**  
15 **best interest of the child, and allocate any costs of communications;**

16           **(4) Provide for liberal contact between the deploying parent and the child during**  
17 **the time the deploying parent is on leave or otherwise available, unless contrary to the**  
18 **best interest of the child;**

19           **(5) Provide for reasonable contact between the deploying parent and the child**  
20 **after return from deployment until the temporary order is terminated, even if the time**  
21 **of contact exceeds the time the deploying parent spent with the child before entry of the**  
22 **temporary order; and**

23           **(6) Provide that the order will terminate pursuant to sections 452.1246 to**  
24 **452.1252 after the deploying parent returns from deployment.**

**452.1242. If a court has issued an order granting caretaking authority under**  
2 **sections 452.1224 to 452.1244, or an agreement granting caretaking authority has been**  
3 **executed under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222, the court may enter a temporary order**  
4 **for child support consistent with law of this state other than sections 452.1200 to**  
5 **452.1258 if the court has jurisdiction under sections 454.1500 to 454.1730.**

**452.1244. 1. Except for an order under section 452.1232, except as otherwise**  
2 **provided in subsection 2 of this section, and consistent with the Servicemembers Civil**  
3 **Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. Appendix Sections 521 and 522, on motion of a deploying or other**  
4 **parent or any nonparent to whom caretaking authority, decision-making authority, or**  
5 **limited contact has been granted, the court may modify or terminate the grant if the**  
6 **modification or termination is consistent with sections 452.1224 to 452.1244 and it is in**  
7 **the best interest of the child. A modification is temporary and terminates pursuant to**  
8 **sections 452.1246 to 452.1252 after the deploying parent returns from deployment,**  
9 **unless the grant has been terminated before that time by court order.**

10           **2. On motion of a deploying parent, the court shall terminate a grant of limited**  
11 **contact.**

452.1246. 1. At any time after return from deployment, a temporary agreement granting custodial responsibility under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 may be terminated by an agreement to terminate signed by the deploying parent and the other parent.

2. A temporary agreement under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 granting custodial responsibility terminates:

(1) If an agreement to terminate under subsection 1 of this section specifies a date for termination, on that date; or

(2) If the agreement to terminate does not specify a date, on the date the agreement to terminate is signed by the deploying parent and the other parent.

3. In the absence of an agreement under subsection 1 of this section to terminate, a temporary agreement granting custodial responsibility terminates under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 sixty days after the deploying parent gives notice to the other parent that the deploying parent returned from deployment.

4. If a temporary agreement granting custodial responsibility was filed with a court pursuant to section 452.1222, an agreement to terminate the temporary agreement also must be filed with that court within a reasonable time after the signing of the agreement. The case number and heading of the case concerning custodial responsibility or child support must be provided to the court with the agreement to terminate.

452.1248. At any time after a deploying parent returns from deployment, the deploying parent and the other parent may file with the court an agreement to terminate a temporary order for custodial responsibility issued under sections 452.1224 to 452.1244. After an agreement has been filed, the court shall issue an order terminating the temporary order effective on the date specified in the agreement. If a date is not specified, the order is effective immediately.

452.1250. After a deploying parent returns from deployment until a temporary agreement or order for custodial responsibility established under sections 452.1214 to 452.1222 or sections 452.1224 to 452.1244 is terminated, the court shall issue a temporary order granting the deploying parent reasonable contact with the child unless it is contrary to the best interest of the child, even if the time of contact exceeds the time the deploying parent spent with the child before deployment.

452.1252. 1. If an agreement between the parties to terminate a temporary order for custodial responsibility under sections 452.1224 to 452.1244 has not been filed, the order terminates sixty days after the deploying parent gives notice to the other parent and any nonparent granted custodial responsibility that the deploying parent has returned from deployment.

6           2. A proceeding seeking to prevent termination of a temporary order for  
7 custodial responsibility is governed by law of this state other than sections 452.1200 to  
8 452.1258.

          452.1254. In applying and construing sections 452.1200 to 452.1258,  
2 consideration must be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with  
3 respect to its subject matter among states that enact it.

          452.1256. Sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 modify, limit, or supersede the  
2 Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001  
3 et seq., but do not modify, limit, or supersede Section 101(c) of that act, 15 U.S.C.  
4 Section 7001(c), or authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in  
5 Section 103(b) of that act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7003(b).

          452.1258. Sections 452.1200 to 452.1258 do not affect the validity of a temporary  
2 court order concerning custodial responsibility during deployment which was entered  
3 before August 28, 2024.

          620.3305. 1. Subject to appropriations, the department of economic  
2 development shall establish the "Missouri Veterans and Job Opportunity Grant  
3 Program".

          2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

          (1) "Eligible employer", any employer registered to do business in Missouri that  
6 has paid wages to an individual in a targeted group as defined in 26 U.S.C. Section 51, as  
7 amended;

          (2) "Grant", financial support provided by the state to eligible employers,  
9 calculated as a percentage of the federal work opportunity tax credit claimed for eligible  
10 hires as allowed under 26 U.S.C. Section 51, as amended;

          (3) "Targeted groups", has the same meaning as defined under 26 U.S.C. Section  
12 51, relating to the federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC); and

          3. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Missouri Veterans and  
14 Job Opportunity Grant Program Fund". The fund shall consist of any appropriations  
15 to such fund and any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from private or  
16 other sources. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with  
17 sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements of public  
18 moneys in accordance with distribution requirements and procedures developed by the  
19 department of economic development. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon  
20 appropriation, moneys in the fund shall be used solely for the administration of this  
21 section.

22           **(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys**  
23 **remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the**  
24 **general revenue fund.**

25           **(3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as**  
26 **other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be**  
27 **credited to the fund.**

28           **4. The department of economic development shall administer the grant,**  
29 **disbursing funds to eligible employers based on applications received.**

30           **(1) (a) The department shall determine the grant percentage annually, which**  
31 **shall be a portion of the federal WOTC claimed by the employer for each eligible hire.**  
32 **This percentage shall be contingent upon the available funds in the Missouri veterans**  
33 **and job opportunity grant program fund.**

34           **(b) At least fifty percent of the funds available during a fiscal year to provide**  
35 **grants pursuant to this section shall be reserved for eligible employers paying wages to a**  
36 **qualified veteran, as such term is used in 26 U.S.C. Section 51(d). Any amount of such**  
37 **reserved funds that is not claimed may be disbursed for wages paid to a member of any**  
38 **other targeted group.**

39           **(2) Eligible employers must submit an application in a form prescribed by the**  
40 **department, including detailed information on the federal WOTC claimed and the**  
41 **impact of such hires.**

42           **(3) Employers shall provide proof of eligibility for the federal WOTC and**  
43 **documentation of the continued employment of individuals from targeted groups.**

44           **5. The department of economic development shall promulgate all necessary rules**  
45 **and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as**  
46 **that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in**  
47 **this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the**  
48 **provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter**  
49 **536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly**  
50 **pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul**  
51 **a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority**  
52 **and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2024, shall be invalid and void.**

Section B. Section 115.085 of section A of this act shall become effective on January  
2 1, 2025.

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