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AN ACT

To amend chapter 172, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the establishment of a center to conduct applied urban research and outreach.

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

Section A. Chapter 172, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 172.760, to read as follows:

**172.760. 1. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the
2 "Center for the Neighborhoods Fund", which shall consist of money
3 collected under this section. The state treasurer shall be custodian of
4 the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state
5 treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated
6 fund and money in the fund shall be used solely for the purpose of this
7 section.**

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

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

**14 (4) Any entity that receives moneys from the fund shall use them
15 in the manner provided in this section. No funds shall be used for
16 purposes that do not directly support the mission of the center. No
17 funds shall be used to supplement faculty or administrator salaries.**

**18 2. Money in the fund shall be used to establish a center for the
19 neighborhoods on the Kansas City campus of the University of Missouri
20 under the Department of Architecture and Urban Planning at the
21 Kansas City campus of the University of Missouri.**

22 **3. The center shall have the following duties:**

23 **(1) Conduct applied urban research and outreach programs in**
24 **the local community;**

25 **(2) Actively engage with the city and region in which it is located**
26 **to conduct collaborative outreach and research programs reflecting**
27 **community-identified priorities in the areas of education and training,**
28 **family and community health, and economic development;**

29 **(3) Use a collaborative approach to carry out its mission with**
30 **local governments and other political subdivisions, community**
31 **organizations, including nonprofit organizations, approved public**
32 **institutions, and approved private institutions as defined in section**
33 **173.1102, and other entities with an established history of providing**
34 **proven, research-based services in the area of urban engagement;**

35 **(4) Work with partner organizations to build the capacity of local**
36 **neighborhood organizations and associations by providing technical**
37 **assistance, applied planning research, and action plans for the**
38 **prioritization of neighborhood revitalization strategies;**

39 **(5) Work with local leaders to identify key actions for**
40 **neighborhood stabilization; and**

41 **(6) Support academic service-learning by providing a support**
42 **infrastructure that facilitates the placement of university students in**
43 **the community and compile data on these placements and identify**
44 **learning outcomes.**

45 **4. The bylaws of the center shall provide that the purpose of the**
46 **center is to conduct applied urban research and outreach programs in**
47 **the local community and to actively engage with the city and region in**
48 **which it is located.**

49 **5. The center may establish an advisory board, the composition**
50 **of which shall be determined at the local level.**

51 **6. The center shall submit an annual report to the board of**
52 **curators, the appropriations committee of the senate, and the budget**
53 **committee of the house of representatives by the first day of November**
54 **and shall include detailed information on the structure, operation,**
55 **financial status of the center, and use of all moneys received by it from**
56 **any source whatsoever.**

57 **7. Debts incurred by the center established pursuant to the**
58 **authority of this section do not represent or constitute a debt of this**

59 state within the meaning of the provisions of the constitution or
60 statutes of this state.

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