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## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 537, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the family and medical leave act.

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

Section A. Chapter 537, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 537.605, to read as follows:

3 **537.605. The state of Missouri, in its capacity as an employer, shall be subject to the**  
4 **provisions the federal Family and Medical Leave Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 2601, et seq., and**  
5 **shall be liable for any violation of such act. The state of Missouri waives its sovereign**  
immunity for purposes of enforcement of such act; except that no judgment entered against  
the state of Missouri shall exceed the liability limits established in section 537.610.