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HOUSE BILL NO. 1576

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MAYER.

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STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To repeal section 527.290, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to a petition for change of name.

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

Section A. Section 527.290, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 527.290, to read as follows:

527.290. **1.** Public notice of such a change of name shall be given at least three times in a newspaper published in the county where such person is residing, within twenty days after the order of court is made, and if no newspaper is published in his or any adjacent county, then such notice shall be given in a newspaper published in the city of St. Louis, or at the seat of government.

2. Public notice of such name change through publication as required in subsection 1 of this section shall not be required if the petitioner is:

(1) The victim of a crime, the underlying factual basis of which is found by the court on the record to include an act of domestic violence, as defined in section 455.200, RSMo;

(2) The victim of child abuse, as defined in section 210.110, RSMo; or

(3) The victim of abuse by a family or household member, as defined in section 455.010, RSMo.