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# HOUSE BILL NO. 745

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 192.935, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the blindness, education, screening and treatment program fund.

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

Section A. Section 192.935, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 192.935, to read as follows:

192.935. 1. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Blindness Education, Screening and Treatment Program Fund". The fund shall consist of moneys donated pursuant to subsection 7 of section 301.020, RSMo, and subsection 3 of section 302.171, RSMo. Unexpended balances in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not be transferred to the general revenue fund or any other fund, the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary notwithstanding.

2. Subject to the availability of funds in the blindness education, screening and treatment program fund, the department of **social services** shall develop a blindness education, screening and treatment program to provide blindness prevention education and to provide screening and treatment for persons who do not have adequate coverage for such services under a health benefit plan.

3. The program shall provide for:

- (1) Public education about blindness and other eye conditions;
- (2) Screenings and eye examinations to identify conditions that may cause blindness; and
- (3) Treatment procedures necessary to prevent blindness.

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.

16           4. The department may contract for program development with any department-approved  
17 nonprofit organization dealing with regional and community blindness education, eye donor and  
18 vision treatment services.

19           5. The department may adopt rules to prescribe eligibility requirements for the program.

20           6. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall  
21 become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536,  
22 RSMo.

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