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HOUSE BILL NO. 171

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES COX (Sponsor), NANCE, FAITH, SCHARNHORST, BIVINS,
SCHAAF, DAVIS, WALLACE, SANDER, SCHAD, WELLS AND PARKINSON (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 441, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to payment of rent when a leased residence is destroyed.

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

Section A. Chapter 441, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 441.645, to read as follows:

3 **441.645. If a residence is destroyed by an act of God, including but not limited to**
2 **fire or a tornado, or other natural disaster or man-made disaster, so long as the tenant was**
3 **not the person who caused the disaster, the tenant shall not be liable to the landlord for**
4 **rent during the remainder of the term of the lease agreement.**

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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.