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AN ACT

To amend chapter 41, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Missouri state guard.

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

Section A. Chapter 41, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 41.495, to read as follows:

- 41.495. 1. If the Missouri National Guard or a major portion thereof is called into active federal service or if the Missouri National Guard or a major portion thereof is alerted for federal service or for any other reason the governor considers to be necessary, the governor shall establish a force for the safety and protection of the lives and property of the citizens of the state, which shall be known as the Missouri State Guard.
- 2. The Missouri state guard shall insofar as practicable be governed by and subject to the laws of the state pertaining to the Missouri National Guard. The governor shall issue or cause to be issued rules to govern the administration and organization of the state guard.
- 3. All members of the Missouri state guard shall be required to complete an annual training of at least one weekend per year, which shall include but not be limited to topics such as homeland security, emergency relief, search and rescue, and natural disaster relief.
- 4. All members of the Missouri state guard shall be volunteers and shall be responsible for purchasing any uniforms or equipment as required by Missouri state guard

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leadership. Members of the Missouri state guard shall not be exempt from any draft by the President of the United States.

5. Appropriations made to the Missouri National Guard shall be deemed appropriated to both the Missouri National Guard and the Missouri state guard, if and when the latter is established, and any funds that are unexpended from appropriations to the Missouri National Guard may be used for the establishment and maintenance of the

21 Missouri state guard.

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