

SCS HCS HRB 1299 -- EXECUTIVE BRANCH REORGANIZATIONS

This bill changes the laws based on executive branch reorganizations within the departments of Social Services, Labor and Industrial Relations, Economic Development, Health and Senior Services, Public Safety, and Transportation that have not been updated since the adoption of the Reorganization Act of 1974. In its main provisions, the bill:

(1) Renames the Division of Design and Construction in the Office of Administration to the Division of Facilities Management, Design and Construction and the Division of Data Processing and Telecommunications to the Information Technology Services Division (Sections 3.070 - 8.360, 8.800 - 34.031, 37.005 - 37.010, 37.110, 161.935, 217.575, 251.100 - 261.010, 311.650 - 320.260, 334.125, 361.010, 610.029, 620.1100, and 620.1580, RSMo);

(2) Eliminates the Division of Family Services in the Department of Social Services and transfers its duties and authority to the department, the Division of Child Support Enforcement that is renamed the Family Support Division, or the Children's Division and updates statutory references accordingly (Sections 8.700, 64.090 - 143.790, 160.700, 167.034 - 169.520, 172.875, 191.737, 193.075, 193.215, 198.026, 198.029, 198.428, 205.960 - 208.150, 208.154, 208.157, 208.180 - 208.190, 208.210, 208.325 - 208.405, 208.636, 209.010 - 209.240, 210.001 - 210.870, 210.950 - 211.477, 226.805, 285.300, 324.032, 452.345 - 516.350, 590.040, 595.030, 632.070, 660.010, 660.130 - 660.526, 660.690, and 701.336);

(3) Eliminates the Division of Job Development and Training within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and transfers its authority and duties to the Division of Workforce Development within the Department of Economic Development, removes obsolete federal program references, and updates the appropriate statutory references (Sections 36.030, 186.019, and 620.010 - 620.572);

(4) Renames the Missouri Minority Business Development Commission to the Missouri Minority Business Advocacy Commission (Sections 37.013 and 37.016);

(5) Repeals an outdated provision requiring the Department of Economic Development and the Office of Administration to develop a plan to increase procurements from minority businesses by all state departments and submit that plan to the Governor by July 1994, and requires the Office of Administration, instead of the department, to furnish administrative support and staff to the Missouri Minority Business Advocacy Commission (Section 37.014);

(6) Requires the State Highways and Transportation Commission,

instead of the Division of Highway Safety, to prepare and upon request supply forms for specified written accident reports (Section 43.251);

(7) Eliminates the Division of Aging within the Department of Social Services and transfers its authority and duties to the Department of Health and Senior Services, removes obsolete language regarding the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging, and updates the appropriate statutory references (Sections 143.1002, 178.893 - 186.019, 192.1000 - 192.1104, 197.312 - 198.018, 198.077 - 198.090, 198.421, 198.510, 198.515, 208.300, 208.533 - 208.621, 210.900, 226.805, 338.314, 660.060, and 660.620);

(8) Transfers the duty to establish a procedure for the reimbursement of the costs of tuition, books, and fees to any public community college or vocational or technical school under the A+ Schools Program from the Commissioner of Education by rule and regulation to the Department of Higher Education (Section 160.545);

(9) Transfers specified duties of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education regarding minority teaching scholarships to the Department of Higher Education (Sections 161.418 and 161.424);

(10) Renames the Division of Medical Services within the Department of Social Services as the MO HealthNet Division and updates the appropriate statutory references (Sections 161.905, 189.095, 191.853, 192.601, 192.1106, 198.189, 208.072, 208.152, 208.168 - 208.176, 208.204, 208.217, 208.225, 208.471, 208.477, 208.780, 376.819, 630.097, and 660.075);

(11) Transfers the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council from the Office of Administration to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Section 161.920);

(12) Eliminates the Division of Child Support Enforcement within the Department of Social Services and transfers its authority and duties to the Family Support Division in the department (Sections 193.075, 193.215, 208.636, 285.300, 454.460, 454.472 - 454.490, 454.496, 454.505 - 487.080, and 516.350);

(13) Transfers the Life Sciences Research Board from the Office of Administration to the Department of Economic Development and changes it from a III division to a III agency (Section 196.1103);

(14) Transfers from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education specified duties regarding telecommunication for the hearing or speech-impaired (Section 209.251);

(15) Transfers all the authority, powers, duties, and functions of the Division of Highway Safety in the Department of Public Safety relating to the motorcycle safety program, the driver improvement program, the ignition interlock program, and other state highway safety programs to the State Highways and Transportation Commission in the Department of Transportation (Sections 226.008, 302.133 - 302.178, 577.608, and 650.005);

(16) Allows any person to appeal to the Administrative Hearing Commission, instead of the Labor and Industrial Relations Commission, any decision made by the Department of Public Safety regarding a claim filed on or after August 28, 2014, for compensation to victims of crime and specifies a person's rights regarding the appeal (Sections 595.036 - 595.060, 610.120, and 621.275);

(17) Transfers the authority, powers, functions, records, personnel, property, contracts, and other pertinent vestiges of the Division of Employment Security within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations related to job training and labor exchange that are funded with or based upon Wagner-Peyser funds and other federal and state workforce development programs administered by the Division of Employment Security to the Division of Job Development and Training that is renamed the Division of Workforce Development within the Department of Economic Development (Sections 620.010 - 620.572);

(18) Repeals an outdated provision requiring the Missouri Minority Advocacy Commission to submit a plan to increase procurement from minority businesses by state departments and to recommend legislation to the General Assembly (Section 33.753);

(19) Repeals provisions allowing employees of the Missouri Rehabilitation Center to organize and file an application as a not-for-profit corporation for the purpose of establishing a child day care center (Section 199.025); and

(20) Repeals obsolete provisions regarding private industry councils under the Job Training Partnership Act that were repealed by Section 199 of the Workforce Reinvestment Act (Section 620.483).