

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 703,
2 Page 14, Section 144.010, Line 125, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:
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4 "208.285. 1. The department of health and senior services shall apply for a grant under the
5 United States Department of Agriculture Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program to provide low-
6 income seniors with vouchers that may be exchanged for eligible foods at farmers' markets, roadside
7 stands, and community-supported agriculture (CSA) programs.

8 2. There is hereby established the "Missouri Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program"
9 within the department of health and senior services. Upon receipt of any grant moneys under
10 subsection 1 of this section, the program shall supply Missouri-grown fresh produce to senior
11 participants through the distribution of vouchers that are redeemable only at designated Missouri
12 farmers' markets, roadside stands, and CSA programs. The program is designed to provide a
13 supplemental source of fresh produce for the dietary needs of low-income seniors; to stimulate an
14 increased demand for Missouri-grown produce at farmers' markets, roadside stands, and CSA
15 programs; and to develop new and additional farmers' markets, roadside stands, and CSA programs.

16 3. Eligible seniors shall receive senior farmers' market nutrition program vouchers from
17 designated distribution sites in their county of residence. Upon issuance of vouchers, participants
18 shall be provided with a list of participating farmers, farmers' markets, roadside stands, and CSA
19 programs. The department shall provide distribution site information at all county area agencies on
20 aging.

21 4. For purposes of this section, "senior participant" means a person who is at least sixty
22 years of age or older by December thirty-first of the program year and who meets the income
23 eligibility criteria based on guidelines published annually by the United States Department of
24 Agriculture.

25 5. The department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any
26 rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the
27 authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to
28 all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter
29 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter
30 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held
31 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after
32 August 28, 2016, shall be invalid and void."; and

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34 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
35 accordingly.

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