

HOUSE BILL NO. 2577

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE DOGAN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 168, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to public service loan forgiveness.

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

Section A. Chapter 168, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 168.650, to read as follows:

168.650. 1. On or before January 1, 2017, the department of higher education shall create guidance regarding notice of public employee eligibility for public service loan forgiveness. School districts may use the guidance in providing notice to employees under subsection 2 of this section. The guidance shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Up-to-date, accurate, and complete information regarding eligibility for participation in existing public service loan forgiveness programs;

(2) Contact information and relevant forms for applying for existing public service loan forgiveness programs; and

(3) Other relevant information as determined by the department of higher education.

2. On or before April 1, 2017, the school board of each school district in this state shall adopt a policy that provides up-to-date, accurate, and complete information to each new district employee regarding eligibility for public service loan forgiveness. Notice to new employees shall be provided within ten days following the start of employment with the district. Prior to June 30, 2017, the school district shall provide the same information to all current employees in the district employed on that date.

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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.