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98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 211.351, 211.361, and 211.381, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to juvenile officers.

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

Section A. Sections 211.351, 211.361, and 211.381, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 211.351, 211.361, and 211.381, to read as follows:

211.351. 1. [The juvenile court shall appoint] **Each judicial circuit shall elect a chief juvenile officer and the juvenile court may appoint** other necessary juvenile court personnel to serve under the direction of the court in each county of the first and second class, and the circuit judge in circuits comprised of third and fourth class counties:

(1) May appoint [a juvenile officer and] other necessary personnel to serve the judicial circuit; or

(2) Circuit judges of any two or more adjoining circuits may by agreement, confirmed by judicial order, appoint [a juvenile officer and] other necessary personnel to serve their respective judicial circuits and, in such a case, the [juvenile officers and] other persons appointed shall serve under the joint direction of the judges so agreeing.

2. **The chief juvenile officer shall be elected at the general election every six years and shall enter upon the duties of office on the first day in January next following his or her election.**

3. In the event [a juvenile officer and] other juvenile court personnel are appointed to serve as provided in subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection 1 of this section, the total cost to the

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.

16 counties for the compensation of these persons shall be prorated among the several counties and
17 upon a ratio to be determined by a comparison of the respective populations of the counties.

18 [3.] 4. In each judicial circuit, a grievance review committee shall be appointed by the
19 circuit court en banc to serve as final administrative authority of a grievance regarding personnel
20 policy or action that negatively affects an employee of the family court [and/or] **or** juvenile court
21 who is not governed by the Missouri circuit court personnel system. The grievance review
22 committee may be comprised of either the circuit court en banc, a committee of not less than
23 three circuit or associate circuit judges, or other body established by local court rule.

211.361. 1. Whenever the need arises for the appointment of a **deputy** juvenile officer,
2 **to serve under the chief juvenile officer**, the juvenile court shall either:

3 (1) Provide, by rule of court, for open competitive written and oral examinations and
4 create an eligible list of persons who possess the qualifications prescribed by subdivision (2) **of**
5 **this subsection** and who have successfully passed such examination; or

6 (2) Appoint any person over the age of twenty-one years who has completed
7 satisfactorily four years of college education with a major in sociology or related subjects or who,
8 in lieu of such academic training, has had four years or more experience in social work with
9 juveniles in probation or allied services.

10 2. This section does not terminate the existing appointment nor present term of office
11 of any juvenile officer or deputy juvenile officer in any county, but it applies to any appointment
12 to be made after the existing appointment or term of office of any incumbent terminates or
13 expires for any reason whatsoever.

211.381. 1. In each judicial circuit the following employees of the juvenile court shall
2 annually receive as compensation the following amounts:

3 (1) One **chief** juvenile officer, beginning January 1, 1985, twenty-one thousand six
4 hundred ninety dollars; beginning January 1, 1986, twenty-four thousand six hundred ninety
5 dollars;

6 (2) One chief deputy juvenile officer and the chief officer assigned to courts of domestic
7 relations, beginning January 1, 1985, eighteen thousand six hundred fifty dollars; beginning
8 January 1, 1986, twenty thousand six hundred fifty dollars;

9 (3) Each deputy juvenile officer, class 1, beginning January 1, 1985, sixteen thousand
10 three hundred ten dollars; beginning January 1, 1986, eighteen thousand ten dollars;

11 (4) Each deputy juvenile officer, class 2, beginning January 1, 1985, fourteen thousand
12 five hundred eighty dollars; beginning January 1, 1986, sixteen thousand eighty dollars;

13 (5) Each deputy juvenile officer, class 3, beginning January 1, 1985, twelve thousand
14 nine hundred fifty dollars; beginning January 1, 1986, fourteen thousand three hundred fifty
15 dollars.

16 2. On September 28, 1985, the compensation of the employees of the juvenile court
17 provided by subsection 1 of this section shall be increased by an amount equivalent to the annual
18 salary adjustment approved pursuant to section 476.405 for employees of the judicial department
19 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985, and on January 1, 1986, salaries shall be increased to
20 the amount specified in subsection 1 of this section.

21 3. After January 1, 1986, each juvenile officer shall receive in addition to any salary
22 provided by subsections 1 and 2 of this section any salary adjustments approved after September
23 28, 1985, pursuant to section 476.405. After January 1, 1986, each chief deputy juvenile officer,
24 chief officer assigned to courts of domestic relations and deputy juvenile officers shall receive
25 in addition to any salary provided by subsections 1 and 2 of this section an amount equivalent
26 to any salary adjustments approved after September 28, 1985, provided to employees of the
27 judicial department pursuant to section 476.405. Each such salary adjustment shall be applicable
28 to the total compensation provided by subsections 1, 2, and 3 of this section.

29 4. Actual expenses, including mileage allowance not to exceed that amount allowed state
30 officers for each mile traveled on official business but exclusive of office expense, incurred by
31 the employees while in the performance of their official duties shall be reimbursed to them out
32 of county or city funds upon the approval of the judge of the juvenile court.

33 5. Except for counties of the second class in circuits composed of a single county of the
34 second class and counties of the second class in circuits composed of two counties of the second
35 class, in second, third and fourth class counties the compensation for employees of the juvenile
36 court provided by this section is the total amount of compensation the employee shall receive for
37 duties pertaining to the juvenile court and includes the compensation provided by any other
38 provision of law.

39 6. Beginning on August 28, 1993, all deputy juvenile officers which were class 4 prior
40 to August 28, 1993, shall become class 3 deputy juvenile officers.

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