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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 177, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the creative classroom act.

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

Section A. Chapter 177, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 177.032, to read as follows:

177.032. 1. The provisions of this section shall be known and may be cited as the "Creative Classroom Act".

- 2. (1) To the extent each school district receives moneys from the state not restricted for specific purposes by any other section or by regulation, each school district shall use such moneys to distribute to each attendance center in the district giving instruction in a grade or grades not higher than the fifth grade an amount equal to twenty-five dollars multiplied by the number of students enrolled in the attendance center on the first school day of the school year.
- (2) A district that does not receive sufficient moneys from the state in order to distribute the amount described under this subsection to each such attendance center shall not be required to comply with the provisions of this section.
- 3. Subject to the limitations contained in this section, teachers in attendance centers receiving moneys under this section who purchase supplies to facilitate creative learning environments for their students shall be reimbursed by their attendance centers within thirty days of submitting receipts for the supplies.
- 4. Each attendance center receiving moneys under this section shall designate an administrator to review all receipts submitted in accordance with subsection 3 of this

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.

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section and ensure that only items to be used to establish creative learning environments for students are reimbursed.

- 5. A teacher teaching in an attendance center receiving moneys under this section shall receive reimbursement under this section in each school year for not more than an amount equal to twenty-five dollars multiplied by the number of students in the teacher's classroom on the first school day of the school year.
- 6. An attendance center shall not be required to reimburse a teacher if it has already distributed all the moneys it received from the district under this section.
- 7. Any audit of a school district performed by the state auditor shall include an examination of whether teachers are properly reimbursed under this section.

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