

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Bill No. 877, Page 3, Section 210.195, Line 22, by inserting after all of said section
2 and line the following:

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4 "210.1030. 1. There is hereby created the "Trauma-Informed Care for Children and
5 Families Task Force". The mission of the task force shall be to promote the healthy development of
6 children and their families living in Missouri communities by promoting comprehensive trauma-
7 informed children and family support systems and interagency cooperation.

8 2. The task force shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) The directors, or their designees, of the departments of elementary and secondary
10 education, health and senior services, mental health, social services, public safety, and corrections;

11 (2) The director, or his or her designee, of the office of child advocate;

12 (3) Six members from the private sector with knowledge of trauma-informed care methods,
13 two of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one of whom shall
14 be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, two of whom shall be appointed
15 by the president pro tempore of the senate, and one of whom shall be appointed by the minority
16 leader of the senate;

17 (4) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of
18 representatives and one member of the house of representatives appointed by the minority leader of
19 the house of representatives;

20 (5) Two members of the senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate and one
21 member of the senate appointed by the minority leader of the senate; and

22 (6) The executive director, or his or her designee, of the Missouri Juvenile Justice
23 Association.

24 3. The task force shall incorporate evidence-based and evidence-informed best practices
25 including, but not limited to, the Missouri Model: A Developmental Framework for Trauma-
26 Informed, with respect to:

27 (1) Early identification of children and youth and their families, as appropriate, who have
28 experienced or are at risk of experiencing trauma;

29 (2) The expeditious referral of such children and youth and their families, as appropriate,
30 who require specialized services to the appropriate trauma-informed support services, including
31 treatment, in accordance with applicable privacy laws; and

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1 (3) The implementation of trauma-informed approaches and interventions in child and
2 youth-serving schools, organizations, homes, and other settings to foster safe, stable, and nurturing
3 environments and relationships that prevent and mitigate the effects of trauma.

4 4. The department of social services shall provide such research, clerical, technical, and
5 other services as the task force may require in the performance of its duties.

6 5. The task force, its members, and any staff assigned to the task force shall receive
7 reimbursement for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the task
8 force or any subcommittee thereof.

9 6. The task force shall not meet [~~within two months of August 28, 2018~~] more than four
10 times annually.

11 7. The task force shall report a summary of its activities and any recommendations for
12 legislation to the general assembly and to the joint committee on child abuse and neglect under
13 section 21.771 by January 1, [~~2019~~] 2020, and every January first thereafter.

14 [~~8. The task force shall terminate on January 1, 2019.~~]" ; and

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