

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 544, Page 42, Section 173.2712, Line 15,
2 by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "261.450. 1. There is hereby established the "Missouri Food Security Task Force".

5 2. The task force shall be comprised of the following members:

6 (1) Four members of the house of representatives, with two members to be appointed by the
7 speaker of the house of representatives and two members to be appointed by the minority floor
8 leader of the house of representatives;

9 (2) Four members of the senate, with two members to be appointed by the president pro
10 tempore of the senate and two members to be appointed by the minority floor leader of the senate;

11 (3) The director of the department of agriculture, or the director's designee;

12 (4) The director of the department of economic development, or the director's designee;

13 (5) The director of the department of health and senior services, or the director's designee;

14 (6) One registered dietitian, appointed by the Missouri Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics;

15 (7) Three representatives from Missouri Farmers Care, appointed by Missouri Farmers
16 Care;

17 (8) Two representatives from institutions of higher education located in Missouri, with one
18 representative appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one representative
19 appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate; and

20 (9) Five members, to be appointed by the director of the department of agriculture, as
21 follows:

22 (a) One representative from a food bank located in Missouri;

23 (b) One representative of a business specializing in retail or direct food sales;

24 (c) One representative from a farmers' market management organization; and

25 (d) Two local food producers, with one representing an urban area and one representing a
26 rural area.

27 3. The director of the department of agriculture shall ensure that the membership of the task
28 force reflects the diversity of the state, with members on the task force representing urban and rural
29 areas and various geographic regions of the state.

30 4. The department of agriculture shall provide technical and administrative support as
31 required by the task force to fulfill its duties.

32 5. Members of the task force shall serve without compensation but shall receive
33 reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings of the task force or
34 any subcommittee thereof.

35 6. The task force shall hold its first meeting within two months after the effective date of
36 this section and organize by selecting a chair and a vice chair.

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1 7. The mission of the task force shall be to:

2 (1) Determine the ability of individuals located in urban and rural areas throughout the state
3 to access healthy food and identify populations and areas in which access to food is limited or
4 uncertain;

5 (2) Identify ways in which the state could connect resources and individuals in an effort to
6 ensure food security for all Missourians;

7 (3) Evaluate the impact of tax increment financing projects and restrictive deed covenants
8 imposed by grocery retailers on creating food deserts or prolonging existing food deserts; and

9 (4) Evaluate the potential impacts of online food retail on food insecurity throughout the
10 state.

11 8. The task force shall report a summary of its activities and any recommendations for
12 legislation to the general assembly before August 28, 2021.

13 9. The task force shall terminate on January 1, 2022."; and

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