

HOUSE BILL NO. 1543

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGIRL.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to disclosure of COVID-19 vaccination status.

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

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 191.720, to read as follows:

191.720. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

2 **(1) "COVID-19 vaccination status", an indication of whether a person has**
3 **received a vaccination against COVID-19;**

4 **(2) "Place of public accommodation", a business offering or holding out to the**
5 **general public goods, services, privileges, facilities, advantages, or accommodations for**
6 **the peace, comfort, health, welfare, and safety of the general public or such public places**
7 **providing food, shelter, recreation, or amusement.**

8 **2. A place of public accommodation shall not require a customer, patron, client,**
9 **or other individual who is an invitee onto the premises of the place of public**
10 **accommodation to present documentation disclosing his or her COVID-19 vaccination**
11 **status or make any statement disclosing his or her COVID-19 vaccination status in**
12 **order to gain access to or receive a service from the place of public accommodation.**

13 **3. An individual who is denied access to or receipt of a service from a place of**
14 **public accommodation in violation of this section may bring a civil action in circuit**
15 **court against any person who violates the provisions of this section and obtain one or**
16 **more of the following remedies:**

17 **(1) An injunction against any further violations;**

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.

18 **(2) Appropriate affirmative relief;**

19 **(3) An order directing that the individual be allowed entrance into the place of**
20 **public accommodation; and**

21 **(4) Any other relief necessary to ensure compliance with this section.**

22 **4. The court may award reasonable costs, including court costs and attorney's**
23 **fees, to the prevailing party in an action brought under this section.**

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