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93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATORS BRAY, WHEELER, DAYS, GREEN, BARNITZ, KENNEDY, COLEMAN AND WILSON.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 116.090, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to signing initiative and referendum petitions, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Section 116.090, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 116.090, to read as follows:

116.090. 1. Any person who **knowingly** signs any name other than his
2 **or her own** to any petition[, or] **shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of**
3 **a felony connected with the exercise of the right of suffrage punishable**
4 **by imprisonment of not more than five years or by a fine of not less than**
5 **two thousand five hundred dollars but not more than ten thousand**
6 **dollars or both.**

7 **2. Any person** who knowingly signs his or her name more than once for
8 the same measure for the same election, or who knows he or she is not at the
9 time of signing or circulating the same a Missouri registered voter and a resident
10 of this state, shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a class A misdemeanor
11 punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the
12 contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or
13 a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both.

14 **[2.] 3.** Any person who knowingly accepts or offers money or anything of
15 value to another person in exchange for a signature on a petition is guilty of a
16 class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section
17 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year
18 in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both.

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EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.