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**SENATE BILL NO. 275**  
94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Reported from the Committee on Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections, February 15, 2007, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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**AN ACT**

To repeal sections 186.005, 186.014, 186.016, 186.018, 186.019, and 301.3112, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to the Missouri Women's Council.

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

Section A. Sections 186.005, 186.014, 186.016, 186.018, 186.019, and 2 301.3112, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to 3 be known as sections 186.005, 186.014, and 186.016, to read as follows:

186.005. Sections 186.005 to [186.019] **186.016** shall be known as and 2 may be cited as the "Missouri Women's Council Act".

186.014. 1. There is hereby created in the department of economic 2 development an "Executive Director" for the Missouri women's council. Upon 3 consultation with the council, the director of the department of economic 4 development shall recommend for appointment to the governor, with the advice 5 and consent of the senate, an individual who possesses demonstrated capability 6 in business or industry, especially in business enterprises or employment 7 training, to serve as executive director to work with the council in the 8 implementation of sections 186.005 to [186.019] **186.016**.

9 2. The executive director shall be responsible for:

- 10 (1) Implementing programs initiated by the council; and  
11 (2) Performing other duties as defined by the council.

186.016. The mission of the council is:

- 2 (1) To promote and increase women's economic and employment  
3 opportunities through education and training programs to aid in and insure entry  
4 into the labor market;

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

5 (2) To promote occupational mobility of women workers in lower and  
6 middle levels of employment;

7 (3) To promote access to jobs with more skill and responsibility[,  
8 especially at the managerial level] by encouraging maternity protection, child  
9 care facilities, technical [training] **education**, and health protection;

10 (4) To initiate programs to assist **and support** women in [small] **all**  
11 business enterprises **including operating a home-based business and**  
12 **working part-time from home**;

13 (5) To [assure] **provide information for women to** access [of women  
14 to] **traditional and** nontraditional skilled trades through greater participation  
15 in apprenticeship programs and vocational and technical [training] **education**;

16 (6) To promote retraining programs and facilities, **workforce readiness**  
17 **skills, and healthy lifestyles** for unemployed women especially in growth  
18 sectors;

19 (7) To apply for federal or private funds or grants available for such  
20 employment and training programs, business enterprise programs, studies,  
21 seminars, and conferences and to participate in already existing federally, state  
22 or privately funded programs with other state departments and/or divisions;

23 (8) To conduct programs, studies, seminars, and conferences in  
24 cooperation with federal, state, and local agencies, **and private companies and**  
25 **organizations** in the following areas:

26 (a) Educational, **occupational, and economic** needs and opportunities;

27 (b) [Displaced homemakers] **Balancing work and family**;

28 (c) [Credit] **Financial planning**;

29 (d) Federal and state [affecting the rights and responsibilities of]  
30 **procurement opportunities for women**; and

31 (e) Women-owned business enterprises.

[186.018. The council shall prepare a state plan to identify  
2 and prioritize targeted populations in terms of employment  
3 accessibility and geographic regions, which plan shall be reviewed  
4 and revised annually. The state plan shall include but not be  
5 limited to:

6 (1) A needs-assessment of the state to determine specific  
7 economic and employment problems that exist in which geographic  
8 areas of the state;

9 (2) A statement of short- and long-term goals relating to

10 economic factors which include evaluation, labor, work availability,  
11 small business opportunities, employment, training, household, and  
12 family with special emphasis on rural women and the  
13 underprivileged sectors of society;

14 (3) An inventory of existing federal, state, community and  
15 private programs and facilities relating to economic and  
16 employment needs of women;

17 (4) Plans for addressing those identified prioritized and  
18 targeted populations including special strategies for specific groups  
19 or regions with unique needs in the employment or training area.]

2 [186.019. 1. Prior to April first of each year, starting in  
3 1992, the information described in subdivisions (1), (2), (3) and (4)  
4 of this subsection shall be delivered in report form to the Missouri  
5 women's council, the governor's office, the secretary of the senate,  
6 and the chief clerk of the house of representatives. The  
7 information shall apply only to activities which occurred during the  
8 previous calendar year. Reports shall be required from the  
9 following:

10 (1) The department of labor and industrial relations, and  
11 the division of job development and training of the department of  
12 economic development, who shall assemble all available data and  
13 report on all business start-ups and business failures which are  
14 fifty-one percent or more owned by women. The reports shall  
15 distinguish, as best as possible, those businesses which are sole  
16 proprietorships, partnerships, or corporations;

17 (2) The department of economic development, who shall  
18 assemble all available data and report on financial assistance or  
19 other incentives given to all businesses which are fifty-one percent  
20 or more owned by women. The report shall contain information  
21 relating to assistance or incentives awarded for the retention of  
22 existing businesses, the expansion of existing businesses, or the  
23 start-up of new businesses;

24 (3) The department of revenue, who shall assemble all  
25 available data and report on the number, gross receipts and net  
26 income of all businesses which are fifty-one percent or more owned  
by women. The reports shall distinguish those businesses which

27 are sole proprietorships, partnerships or corporations;

28 (4) The division of purchasing of the office of  
29 administration, who shall assemble all available data and report  
30 on businesses which are fifty-one percent or more owned by women  
31 which are recipients of contracts awarded by the state of Missouri.

32 2. Prior to December first of each year, starting in 1990, the  
33 information described in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection  
34 shall be delivered in report form to the Missouri women's council,  
35 the governor's office, the secretary of the senate, and the chief clerk  
36 of the house of representatives. The information shall apply only  
37 to activities which occurred during the previous school  
38 year. Reports shall be required from the following:

39 (1) The department of elementary and secondary education  
40 shall assemble all available data from the Vocational and  
41 Education Data System (VEDS) on class enrollments by Instruction  
42 Program Codes (CIP); by secondary and postsecondary schools; and,  
43 secondary, postsecondary, and adult level classes; and by  
44 gender. This data shall also be reported by classes of traditional  
45 and nontraditional occupational areas.

46 (2) The coordinating board for higher education shall  
47 assemble all available data and report on higher education degrees  
48 awarded by academic discipline; type of degree; type of school; and  
49 gender. All available data shall also be reported on salaries  
50 received upon completion of degree program and subsequent hire,  
51 as well as any data available on follow-up salaries.]

[301.3112. 1. Any person may receive special license plates  
2 as prescribed by this section, for any motor vehicle such person  
3 owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor  
4 vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen  
5 thousand pounds gross weight, after an annual contribution of an  
6 emblem-use authorization fee to the Friends of the Missouri  
7 Women's Council. Any contribution given pursuant to this section  
8 shall be designated for breast cancer services only. The Friends of  
9 the Missouri Women's Council hereby authorizes the use of its  
10 official emblem to be affixed on multiyear personalized license  
11 plates as provided in this section. Any contribution to the Friends

12 of the Missouri Women's Council derived from this section, except  
13 reasonable administrative costs, shall be used solely for the  
14 purpose of providing breast cancer services. Any person may  
15 annually apply for the use of the emblem.

16 2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five  
17 dollar emblem-use contribution to the Friends of the Missouri  
18 Women's Council, the organization shall issue to the vehicle owner,  
19 without further charge, an emblem-use authorization statement,  
20 which shall be presented by the owner to the department of  
21 revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. Upon  
22 presentation of the annual statement, payment of a fifteen dollar  
23 fee in addition to the registration fee and documents which may be  
24 required by law, the department of revenue shall issue to the  
25 vehicle owner a personalized license plate which shall bear the  
26 emblem of the Friends of the Missouri Women's Council and shall  
27 bear the words "BREAST CANCER AWARENESS" in place of the  
28 words "SHOW-ME STATE". Such license plates shall be made with  
29 fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design,  
30 shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically  
31 attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130. Notwithstanding the  
32 provisions of section 301.144, no additional fee shall be charged for  
33 the personalization of license plates pursuant to this section.

34 3. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued a plate with  
35 the Friends of the Missouri Women's Council emblem authorized  
36 by this section but who does not provide an emblem-use  
37 authorization statement at a subsequent time of registration, shall  
38 be issued a new plate which does not bear the Friends of the  
39 Missouri Women's Council emblem, as otherwise provided by  
40 law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and  
41 regulations for the administration of this section, and shall design  
42 all necessary forms required by this section. No rule or portion of  
43 a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall  
44 become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the  
45 provisions of chapter 536, RSMo.]

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