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94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 115.045, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to boards of election commissioners.

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

Section A. Section 115.045, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 115.045, to read as follows:

115.045. Each election authority shall have the authority to employ such
2 attorneys and other employees as may be necessary to promptly and correctly
3 perform the duties of the election authority. Where an electronic voting system
4 or voting machines are used, the election authority shall designate competent
5 employees to have custody of and supervise maintenance of the voting
6 equipment. Board of election commissioners' employees shall be subject to the
7 same restrictions and subscribe the same oath as members of the board of
8 election commissioners, except [that] **the following:**

9 (1) No employee of a board of election commissioners shall be required to
10 post bond unless directed to do so by the board. Employee oaths and any bonds
11 shall be filed and preserved in the office of the board; **and**

12 (2) **A board of election commissioners may, in its discretion,**
13 **waive the residency requirement for its employees.**

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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.