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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 67, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to media access at certain sports stadiums.

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

Section A. Chapter 67, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new  
2 section, to be known as section 67.659, to read as follows:

**67.659. 1. Except as provided in section 67.653, any entity that  
2 owns, operates, or leases a sports stadium for which ten percent or  
3 more of the construction costs are derived from state or local taxes  
4 shall not prohibit a member of the broadcast or print media from  
5 reasonable access to the sidelines of the playing area to obtain  
6 photographic or video coverage of a sporting event that is open to the  
7 public other than enforcing such reasonable rules necessary to  
8 preserve the health and safety of the public and the players.**

9 **2. A member of the broadcast or print media who is denied  
10 reasonable access to the sidelines or the playing area may bring a  
11 cause of action in the circuit court with jurisdiction where the stadium  
12 is located to recover actual damages.**

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