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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a prescription drug importation study.

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

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 192.340, to read as follows:

**192.340. The department of health and senior services shall conduct a study regarding the processes by which the state may import certain prescription drugs from other countries for eventual consumption by Missouri consumers. The department shall:**

(1) Determine how the state may become certified by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services to operate a prescription drug importation program;

(2) Determine how to ensure that only drugs meeting U.S. Food and Drug Administration safety, effectiveness, and other standards are imported by the state;

(3) Identify prescription drugs with the highest potential for consumer savings through importation;

(4) Estimate potential consumer savings attributable to importation;

(5) Determine with whom the state could contract to distribute imported drugs;

(6) Determine how to limit the distribution of imported drugs to only Missouri consumers who would benefit most from the associated savings;

(7) Consult with the Missouri state board of registration for the healing arts, representatives of the pharmaceutical industry, patient

22 advocates, and others representing persons who could be affected by  
23 importation; and

24 (8) Propose changes, if necessary, to state statutes and  
25 regulations to facilitate importation by the state.

26 The department shall report the study's findings and recommendations  
27 to the general assembly by December 31, 2020.

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