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AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto five new sections relating to safe consumption facilities.

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

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto five new

- 2 sections, to be known as sections 191.1200, 191.1203, 191.1206, 191.1209, and
- 3 191.1212, to read as follows:

191.1200. 1. For the purposes of sections 191.1200 to 191.1212, the

- 2 following terms shall mean:
- 3 (1) "Community-based organization", a public or private 4 organization that:
- 5 (a) Is representative of a community or significant segments of 6 a community; and
- 7 (b) Provides educational, health, or social services to individuals 8 in the community;
- 9 (2) "Department", the department of health and senior services;
- 10 (3) "Program", a safe consumption facility program.
- 2. A local health department may establish a safe consumption facility program in one or more jurisdictions.
- 3. (1) A community-based organization may establish a safe consumption facility program in one or more jurisdictions with the approval of the department.
- 16 (2) A community-based organization may apply to the 17 department for approval of a program at any time, regardless of 18 previous applications.
- 19 (3) The department shall make its determination of whether to 20 approve an application submitted under this subsection based on the 21 ability of the community-based organization to satisfy the requirements

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- 22 of sections 191.1200 to 191.1212.
- 23 (4) The department shall:
- 24 (a) Approve or deny the application of a community-based 25 organization within forty-five days after the date of receipt of the
- 26 application; and
- 27 (b) Provide a written explanation of the department's determination to the community-based organization.

191.1203. 1. A program shall:

- 2 (1) Provide a location supervised by health care professionals or 3 other trained staff where drug users can self-administer preobtained 4 drugs;
- 5 (2) Provide sterile injection supplies, collect used hypodermic 6 needles and syringes, and provide secure hypodermic needle and 7 syringe disposal services;
- 8 (3) Answer questions about safe injection practices;
- 9 (4) Administer first aid, if needed; monitor participants for 10 potential overdose; and administer rescue medications, including 11 naloxone;
- 12 (5) Provide referrals to services, including:
- 13 (a) Substance use disorder counseling and treatment services;
- 14 (b) Testing for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), viral 15 hepatitis, and sexually transmitted diseases;
- 16 (c) Reproductive health education and services; and
- 17 (d) Wound care;
- 18 **(6)** Educate participants on the risks of contracting HIV and 19 viral hepatitis;
- 20 (7) Provide overdose prevention education and access to or 21 referrals to obtain naloxone;
- 22 (8) Educate participants regarding proper disposal of 23 hypodermic needles and syringes;
- 24 (9) Provide reasonable and adequate security of the program site 25 and equipment;
- 26 (10) Establish a method of identifying program staff members 27 and volunteers who are authorized to access hypodermic needles and 28 syringes and program records; and
- 29 (11) Train staff members to deliver services offered by the 30 program.

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31 2. A program may offer additional services, including:

- 32 (1) Substance use disorder counseling and treatment services;
- 33 (2) Testing for HIV, viral hepatitis, and sexually transmitted 34 diseases:
- 35 (3) Reproductive health education and services; and
- 36 (4) Wound care.
- 3. A program may:
- 38 (1) With the consent of the individual, bill the insurance carrier 39 of an individual who uses the services of the program for the cost of 40 covered services;
- 41 (2) Accept donations, grants, or other financial assistance; and
- 42 (3) Apply for grants from the department or any nonprofit or 43 private organization.
- 191.1206. 1. A program established under sections 191.1200 to 2 191.1212 shall collect the following data:
- 3 (1) The number of individuals served by the program;
- 4 (2) The number of times an individual uses the program's 5 services;
- 6 (3) Demographic profiles of individuals served by the program 7 that include:
- 8 (a) Age;
- 9 **(b)** Gender;
- 10 (c) Race;
- 11 (d) Zip code of residence; and
- 12 (e) Types of drugs used and methods of administration;
- 13 (4) The number of individuals entering drug counseling and 14 treatment;
- 15 (5) The number of hypodermic needles and syringes distributed;
- 16 (6) The number of individuals who use the services of the 17 program who have been arrested for drug-related crimes;
- 18 (7) The program's impact on the crime rate in the neighborhood 19 in which the program is located;
- 20 (8) The number of individuals who use the services of the 21 program who adopt safer injection practices; and
- 22 (9) The number of individuals rescued and the number of rescue 23 drugs used.
- 24 2. A program may contract with an independent entity to analyze

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- 25 the data collected under subsection 1 of this section.
- 3. On or before December first each year, a program shall submit
- 27 to the department and the general assembly a report that includes the
- 28 data collected under subsection 1 of this section.
- 191.1209. 1. The administrator of a program shall develop and 2 implement a plan for evaluation of the program as appropriate based 3 on the prevailing knowledge at the time.
- 4 2. (1) The evaluation may include:
- 5 (a) Reported changes in the level of drug use among individuals 6 using the services of the program; and
- 7 (b) Reported changes in drug use among individuals using the 8 services of the program.
- 9 (2) The evaluation shall include an analysis of the advisability 10 of continuing the program.
 - 191.1212. 1. Any of the following persons acting in accordance
 - 2 with the provisions of sections 191.1200 to 191.1212 shall not be subject
- 3 to arrest, prosecution, or any civil or administrative penalty, including
- 4 a civil penalty or disciplinary action by a professional licensing board,
- 5 or be denied any right or privilege for involvement in the operation or
- use of services of the program:
- 7 (1) An individual who uses services of a program;
- 8 (2) A staff member of a program, including a health care 9 professional, manager, employee, or volunteer; or
- 10 (3) A property owner who owns the facility at which a program 11 is located and operates.
- 2. Any property owner, manager, employee, volunteer, or individual using the services of a program and acting in accordance with the provisions of sections 191.1200 to 191.1212 shall not be subject to the seizure or forfeiture of any real or personal property used in connection with a program under state or local law.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of this section to the contrary, a property owner, manager, employee, volunteer, or individual using the services of a program shall not be immune from criminal prosecution for any activities not authorized or approved by the program.

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