FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 623

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MCCREERY.

KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal sections 579.040 and 579.076, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to distributors of hypodermic needles, with existing penalty provisions.

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

Sections 579.040 and 579.076, RSMo, Section A. are 2 repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be 3 known as sections 579.040 and 579.076, to read as follows: 579.040. 1. A person commits the offense of unlawful 2 distribution, delivery, or sale of drug paraphernalia if he 3 or she unlawfully distributes, delivers, or sells, or possesses with intent to distribute, deliver, or sell drug 4 5 paraphernalia knowing, or under circumstances in which one 6 reasonably should know, that it will be used to plant, 7 propogate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, 8 convert, produce, process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, 9 repack, store, contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale, or 10 otherwise introduce into the human body a controlled substance or an imitation controlled substance in violation 11 12 of this chapter. Any entity registered with the department of health and senior services that possesses, distributes, 13 or delivers hypodermic needles or syringes for the purpose 14 15 of operating a syringe access program or otherwise 16 mitigating health risks associated with unsterile injection 17 drug use shall be exempt from the provisions of this 18 section. No such entity shall be present within five

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hundred feet of any school building, unless such entity is
in operation prior to the school building commencing
operations.

22 2. The offense of unlawful delivery of drug
 23 paraphernalia is a class A misdemeanor, unless done for
 24 commercial purposes, in which case it is a class E felony.

1. A person commits the offense of unlawful 579.076. 2 manufacture of drug paraphernalia if he or she unlawfully 3 manufactures with intent to deliver drug paraphernalia, 4 knowing, or under circumstances where one reasonably should know, that it will be used to plant, propagate, cultivate, 5 grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, produce, 6 7 process, prepare, test, analyze, pack, repack, store, 8 contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale, or otherwise 9 introduce into the human body a controlled substance or an 10 imitation controlled substance in violation of this chapter 11 or chapter 195. Any entity registered with the department of health and senior services that delivers or manufactures 12 hypodermic needles or syringes for the purpose of operating 13 a syringe access program or otherwise mitigating health 14 15 risks associated with unsterile injection drug use shall be exempt from the provisions of this section. 16

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