FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 83

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR COLEMAN.

KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 556, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the jurisdiction of the attorney general.

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

Section A. Chapter 556, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 556.065, to read as follows:

556.065. 1. The attorney general shall have 2 concurrent jurisdiction with any circuit or a prosecuting 3 attorney to prosecute under this section after receiving a 4 referral form the local law enforcement agency in such 5 Before sending a referral to the attorney jurisdiction. 6 general, the local law enforcement agency shall submit an 7 application to the court to grant concurrent jurisdiction to 8 the attorney general.

9 2. Upon receiving a referral from a law enforcement 10 agency alleging a criminal offense involving a class A 11 felony, the attorney general may commence prosecution of any 12 violations of said sections within sixty days by filing a complaint, information, or indictment. Once the attorney 13 14 general commences prosecution pursuant to this section, he 15 or she may prosecute any additional violations that were 16 part of the same course of conduct as the initial offense.

3. If the circuit or prosecuting attorney has
commenced prosecution by filing a complaint, information, or

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19 indictment, the attorney general may adopt or amend the 20 complaint, information, or indictment and the circuit or 21 prosecuting attorney shall immediately withdraw from the 22 prosecution.

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