

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

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Amend SS/SCS/Senate Joint Resolution No. 50, Page 2, Section 26, Line 19,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "Section 27. 1. As used in this section, the
4 following terms mean:

5 (1) "Appropriations growth limit", a percentage figure
6 that is the greater of zero or the sum of the annual rate of
7 inflation and the annual percentage change in the population
8 of Missouri;

9 (2) "Emergency", an event or series of events or a
10 state of affairs that requires the immediate appropriation
11 of moneys for the health, safety, and general welfare of the
12 people;

13 (3) "Inflation", the rate of inflation as measured by
14 the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the
15 United States, semi-annual average of the first six months
16 of the current calendar year;

17 (4) "Net general revenue collections", all revenue
18 deposited into the general revenue fund less refunds and
19 revenues originally deposited into the general revenue fund
20 but designated by law for a specific distribution or
21 transfer to another state fund as reported by the office of
22 administration;

23 (5) "Population of Missouri", the number of persons
24 residing in the state of Missouri as determined by the
25 United States Census Bureau in the last decennial census
26 including the most recent calendar year update;

27 (6) "Total state general revenue appropriations", the
28 total of appropriations from net general revenue collections
29 for a fiscal year, including supplemental appropriations
30 from any regular, special, or extraordinary session from the
31 previous fiscal year from net general revenue collections,
32 passed by the general assembly and approved by the governor
33 as reported by the office of administration, except
34 reappropriations, appropriations to pay principal and
35 interest on general obligation bonded indebtedness, and
36 appropriations from general revenue for final court
37 judgments and costs in cases to the extent that the state
38 was not the prevailing party.

39 2. Total state general revenue appropriations for any
40 fiscal year shall not exceed total state general revenue
41 appropriations for the immediately preceding fiscal year by
42 more than the appropriations growth limit, except that new
43 or increased tax revenues or fees that are below the limits
44 in subsection 1 of section 18(e) of this article or receive
45 voter approval shall be exempted from the calculation of the
46 appropriations growth limit for the year in which they are
47 passed.

48 3. For each fiscal year in which net general revenue
49 collections exceed total state general revenue
50 appropriations allowed under subsection 2 of this section by
51 more than one percent of total state general revenue
52 appropriations allowed, an amount equal to such excess net
53 general revenue collections shall be refunded to taxpayers
54 pro rata based on the liability reported on the Missouri
55 state income tax annual returns filed following the close of
56 such fiscal year.

57 4. Total state general revenue appropriations for any
58 fiscal year may exceed total state general revenue
59 appropriations for the immediately preceding fiscal year by

60 more than the appropriations growth limit only under the
61 following conditions:

62 (1) The governor declares an emergency, specifying the
63 nature of the emergency and requesting appropriations to
64 meet the emergency; and

65 (2) The general assembly, by a vote of two-thirds of
66 the members elected to serve in each house, enacts and the
67 governor approves a separate bill or bills appropriating
68 moneys to meet the emergency. Any such appropriation bill
69 or bills shall not be included in total state general
70 revenue appropriations for purposes of compliance with
71 subsection 2 of this section for the next succeeding fiscal
72 year.

73 5. The total state general revenue appropriations
74 limit shall not be reduced or increased if the amount of
75 total state revenues, as defined in section 17 of this
76 article, for the prior fiscal year is less than the amount
77 of total state revenues for the next preceding fiscal year.

78 6. The general assembly may enact laws implementing
79 this section."; and

80 Further amend said bill and page, section B, line 11 by
81 striking "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

82 "● Set a state spending growth limit based on
83 inflation and population; and"; and

84 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.