SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 83

AN ACT

To repeal sections 135.341, 136.055, 302.178, 302.181, 491.075, and 492.304, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof six new sections relating to child protection.

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

Section A. Sections 135.341, 136.055, 302.178, 302.181, 491.075, and 492.304, RSMo, are repealed and six new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 135.341, 136.055, 302.178, 302.181, 491.075, and 492.304, to read as follows:

135.341. 1. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:

- (1) "CASA", an entity which receives funding from the court-appointed special advocate fund established under section 476.777, including an association based in this state, affiliated with a national association, organized to provide support to entities receiving funding from the court-appointed special advocate fund;
- (2) "Child advocacy centers", the regional child assessment centers listed in subsection 2 of section 210.001, including an association based in this state, affiliated with a national association, and organized to provide support to entities listed in subsection 2 of section 210.001;
- (3) "Contribution", the amount of donation to a qualified agency;
- (4) "Crisis care center", entities contracted with this state which provide temporary care for children whose age ranges from birth through seventeen years of age whose

parents or guardian are experiencing an unexpected and unstable or serious condition that requires immediate action resulting in short-term care, usually three to five continuous, uninterrupted days, for children who may be at risk for child abuse, neglect, or in an emergency situation;

- (5) "Department", the department of revenue;
- (6) "Director", the director of the department of revenue;
- (7) "Qualified agency", CASA, child advocacy centers, or a crisis care center;
- (8) "Tax liability", the tax due under chapter 143 other than taxes withheld under sections 143.191 to 143.265.
- 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and ending on or before December 31, 2024 a tax credit may be claimed in an amount equal to up to fifty percent of a verified contribution to a qualified agency and shall be named the champion for children tax credit. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, a tax credit may be claimed in an amount not to exceed seventy percent of a verified contribution to a qualified agency. The minimum amount of any tax credit issued shall not be less than fifty dollars and shall be applied to taxes due under chapter 143, excluding sections 143.191 to 143.265. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, a taxpayer shall not be allowed to claim a tax credit pursuant to this section in excess of fifty thousand dollars in any tax year. A contribution verification shall be issued to the taxpayer by the agency receiving the contribution. Such contribution verification shall include the taxpayer's name, Social Security number, amount of tax credit, amount of contribution, the name and address of the agency receiving the credit, and the date the contribution was made. credit provided under this subsection shall be initially

filed for the year in which the verified contribution is made.

- The cumulative amount of the tax credits redeemed shall not exceed one million dollars for all fiscal years ending on or before June 30, 2019[, and]; one million five hundred thousand dollars for all fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2019, and ending on or before June 30, 2025; and two million five hundred thousand dollars for all fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2025. The amount available shall be equally divided among the three qualified agencies: CASA, child advocacy centers, or crisis care centers, to be used towards tax credits issued. In the event tax credits claimed under one agency do not total the allocated amount for that agency, the unused portion for that agency will be made available to the remaining agencies equally. In the event the total amount of tax credits claimed for any one agency exceeds the amount available for that agency, the amount redeemed shall and will be apportioned equally to all eligible taxpayers claiming the credit under that agency.
- 4. Prior to December thirty-first of each year, each qualified agency shall apply to the department of social services in order to verify their qualified agency status. Upon a determination that the agency is eligible to be a qualified agency, the department of social services shall provide a letter of eligibility to such agency. No later than February first of each year, the department of social services shall provide a list of qualified agencies to the department of revenue. All tax credit applications to claim the champion for children tax credit shall be filed between July first and April fifteenth of each fiscal year. A taxpayer shall apply for the champion for children tax credit by attaching a copy of the contribution verification

provided by a qualified agency to such taxpayer's income tax return.

- 5. Any amount of tax credit which exceeds the tax due or which is applied for and otherwise eligible for issuance but not issued shall not be refunded but may be carried over to any subsequent tax year, not to exceed a total of five years.
- 6. Tax credits may not be assigned, transferred or sold.
- 7. [(1)] In the event a <u>full or partial</u> credit denial, due to [lack of available funds] the cumulative maximum amount of credits being redeemed for the fiscal year, causes [a balance-due notice] an income tax balance due to be [generated by the department of revenue, or any other redeeming agency] owed to the state by the taxpayer, the taxpayer [will] shall not be held liable for any addition to tax, penalty, or interest on that income tax balance due, provided the balance is paid, or approved payment arrangements have been made, within sixty days from the <u>issuance of</u> notice of <u>credit</u> denial.
- [(2) In the event the balance is not paid within sixty days from the notice of denial, the remaining balance shall be due and payable under the provisions of chapter 143.]
- 8. The department may promulgate such rules or regulations as are necessary to administer the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective

date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2013, shall be invalid and void.

- 9. Pursuant to section 23.253, of the Missouri sunset act:
- (1) The program authorized under this section shall be reauthorized as of [December 31, 2019] August 28, 2025, and shall expire on December 31, [2025] 2031, unless reauthorized by the general assembly; and
- (2) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset; and
- (3) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair the department's ability to redeem tax credits authorized on or before the date the program authorized under this section expires or a taxpayer's ability to redeem such credits.
- 10. Beginning on March 29, 2013, any verified contribution to a qualified agency made on or after January 1, 2013, shall be eligible for tax credits as provided by this section.
- this section, any person who is selected or appointed by the state director of revenue as provided in subsection 2 of this section to act as an agent of the department of revenue, whose duties shall be the processing of motor vehicle title and registration transactions and the collection of sales and use taxes when required under sections 144.070 and 144.440, and who receives no salary from the department of revenue, shall be authorized to collect from the party requiring such services additional

fees as compensation in full and for all services rendered on the following basis:

- (1) For each motor vehicle or trailer registration issued, renewed or transferred, six dollars and twelve dollars for those licenses sold or biennially renewed pursuant to section 301.147;
- (2) For each application or transfer of title, six dollars:
- (3) For each instruction permit, nondriver license, chauffeur's, operator's or driver's license issued for a period of three years or less, six dollars and twelve dollars for licenses or instruction permits issued or renewed for a period exceeding three years;
 - (4) For each notice of lien processed, six dollars;
- (5) Notary fee or electronic transmission per processing, two dollars.
- 2. . The director of revenue shall award fee office contracts under this section through a competitive bidding process. The competitive bidding process shall give priority to organizations and entities that are exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(6), or 501(c)(4), except those civic organizations that would be considered action organizations under 26 C.F.R. Section 1.501 (c)(3)-1(c)(3), of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, with special consideration given to those organizations and entities that reinvest a minimum of seventy-five percent of the net proceeds to charitable organizations in Missouri, and political subdivisions, including but not limited to, municipalities, counties, and fire protection districts. The director of the department of revenue may promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this subsection. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under

the authority delegated in this subsection shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2009, shall be invalid and void.

- 3. All fees collected by a tax-exempt organization may be retained and used by the organization.
- 4. All fees charged shall not exceed those in this section. The fees imposed by this section shall be collected by all permanent offices and all full-time or temporary offices maintained by the department of revenue.
- 5. Any person acting as agent of the department of revenue for the sale and issuance of registrations, licenses, and other documents related to motor vehicles shall have an insurable interest in all license plates, licenses, tabs, forms and other documents held on behalf of the department.
- 6. The fees authorized by this section shall not be collected by motor vehicle dealers acting as agents of the department of revenue under section 32.095 or those motor vehicle dealers authorized to collect and remit sales tax under subsection 10 of section 144.070.
- 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the state auditor may audit all records maintained and established by the fee office in the same manner as the auditor may audit any agency of the state, and the department shall ensure that this audit requirement is a necessary condition for the award of all fee office

- contracts. No confidential records shall be divulged in such a way to reveal personally identifiable information.
- 8. The fees described in subsection 1 of this section shall not be collected from any person who qualifies as a homeless child or homeless youth, as defined in subsection 1 of section 167.020, or as an unaccompanied youth as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a(6). Such person's status as a homeless child or youth or unaccompanied youth shall be verified by a letter signed by one of the following persons:
- (1) A director or designee of a governmental or nonprofit agency that receives public or private funding to provide services to homeless persons;
- (2) A local education agency liaison for homeless children and youth designated under 42 U.S.C. Section 11432(g)(1)(J)(ii), or a school social worker or counselor; or
- (3) A licensed attorney representing the minor in any legal matter.
- 302.178. 1. Any person between the ages of sixteen and eighteen years who is qualified to obtain a license pursuant to sections 302.010 to 302.340 may apply for, and the director shall issue, an intermediate driver's license entitling the applicant, while having such license in his or her possession, to operate a motor vehicle of the appropriate class upon the highways of this state in conjunction with the requirements of this section. An intermediate driver's license shall be readily distinguishable from a license issued to those over the age of eighteen. All applicants for an intermediate driver's license shall:
- (1) Successfully complete the examination required by section 302.173;

- (2) Pay the fee required by subsection 4 of this section;
- (3) Have had a temporary instruction permit issued pursuant to subsection 1 of section 302.130 for at least a six-month period or a valid license from another state; and
- (4) Have a parent, grandparent, legal guardian, or, if the applicant is a participant in a federal residential job training program, a driving instructor employed by a federal residential job training program, sign the application stating that the applicant has completed at least forty hours of supervised driving experience under a temporary instruction permit issued pursuant to subsection 1 of section 302.130, or, if the applicant is an emancipated minor, the person over twenty-one years of age who supervised such driving. For purposes of this section, the term "emancipated minor" means a person who is at least sixteen years of age, but less than eighteen years of age, who:
- (a) Marries with the consent of the legal custodial parent or legal quardian pursuant to section 451.080;
- (b) Has been declared emancipated by a court of competent jurisdiction;
 - (c) Enters active duty in the Armed Forces;
- (d) Has written consent to the emancipation from the custodial parent or legal guardian; [or]
- (e) Through employment or other means provides for such person's own food, shelter and other cost-of-living expenses; or
- (f) Qualifies as a homeless child or homeless youth, as defined in subsection 1 of section 167.020, or as an unaccompanied youth as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a(6), and whose status as such is verified as provided under subsection 10 of this section;

- (5) Have had no alcohol-related enforcement contacts as defined in section 302.525 during the preceding twelve months; and
- (6) Have no nonalcoholic traffic convictions for which points are assessed pursuant to section 302.302, within the preceding six months.
- 2. An intermediate driver's license grants the licensee the same privileges to operate that classification of motor vehicle as a license issued pursuant to section 302.177, except that no person shall operate a motor vehicle on the highways of this state under such an intermediate driver's license between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. unless accompanied by a person described in subsection 1 of section 302.130; except the licensee may operate a motor vehicle without being accompanied if the travel is to or from a school or educational program or activity, a regular place of employment or in emergency situations as defined by the director by regulation.
- 3. Each intermediate driver's license shall be restricted by requiring that the driver and all passengers in the licensee's vehicle wear safety belts at all times. This safety belt restriction shall not apply to a person operating a motorcycle. For the first six months after issuance of the intermediate driver's license, the holder of the license shall not operate a motor vehicle with more than one passenger who is under the age of nineteen who is not a member of the holder's immediate family. As used in this subsection, an intermediate driver's license holder's immediate family shall include brothers, sisters, stepbrothers or stepsisters of the driver, including adopted or foster children residing in the same household of the intermediate driver's license holder. After the expiration of the first six months, the holder of an intermediate

driver's license shall not operate a motor vehicle with more than three passengers who are under nineteen years of age and who are not members of the holder's immediate family. The passenger restrictions of this subsection shall not be applicable to any intermediate driver's license holder who is operating a motor vehicle being used in agricultural work-related activities.

- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 302.177 to the contrary, the fee for an intermediate driver's license shall be five dollars and such license shall be valid for a period of two years. Such fee shall be waived for any person qualifying as an emancipated minor under subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section.
- 5. Any intermediate driver's licensee accumulating six or more points in a twelve-month period may be required to participate in and successfully complete a driver-improvement program approved by the state highways and transportation commission. The driver-improvement program ordered by the director of revenue shall not be used in lieu of point assessment.
- 6. (1) An intermediate driver's licensee who has, for the preceding twelve-month period, had no alcohol-related enforcement contacts, as defined in section 302.525 and no traffic convictions for which points are assessed, upon reaching the age of eighteen years or within the thirty days immediately preceding their eighteenth birthday may apply for and receive without further examination, other than a vision test as prescribed by section 302.173, a license issued pursuant to this chapter granting full driving privileges. Such person shall pay the required fee for such license as prescribed in section 302.177.
- (2) If an intermediate driver's license expires on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, such license shall

remain valid for the five business days immediately following the expiration date. In no case shall a licensee whose intermediate driver's license expires on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday be guilty of an offense of driving with an expired or invalid driver's license if such offense occurred within five business days immediately following an expiration date that occurs on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

- (3) The director of revenue shall deny an application for a full driver's license until the person has had no traffic convictions for which points are assessed for a period of twelve months prior to the date of application for license or until the person is eligible to apply for a sixyear driver's license as provided for in section 302.177, provided the applicant is otherwise eligible for full driving privileges. An intermediate driver's license shall expire when the licensee is eligible and receives a full driver's license as prescribed in subdivision (1) of this section.
- 7. No person upon reaching the age of eighteen years whose intermediate driver's license and driving privilege is denied, suspended, cancelled or revoked in this state or any other state for any reason may apply for a full driver's license until such license or driving privilege is fully reinstated. Any such person whose intermediate driver's license has been revoked pursuant to the provisions of sections 302.010 to 302.540 shall, upon receipt of reinstatement of the revocation from the director, pass the complete driver examination, apply for a new license, and pay the proper fee before again operating a motor vehicle upon the highways of this state.

- 8. A person shall be exempt from the intermediate licensing requirements if the person has reached the age of eighteen years and meets all other licensing requirements.
- 9. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this section relating to intermediate drivers' licenses or the provisions of section 302.130 relating to temporary instruction permits is guilty of an infraction, and no points shall be assessed to his or her driving record for any such violation.
- 10. A person's status as a homeless child or youth or unaccompanied youth under paragraph (f) of subdivision (4) of subsection 1 of this section shall be verified by a letter signed by one of the following persons:
- (1) A director or designee of a governmental or nonprofit agency that receives public or private funding to provide services to homeless persons;
- (2) A local education agency liaison for homeless children and youth designated under 42 U.S.C. Section 11432(g)(1)(J)(ii), or a school social worker or counselor; or
- (3) A licensed attorney representing the minor in any legal matter.
- 11. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and

any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2000, shall be invalid and void.

302.181. 1. The license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 302.010 to 302.340 shall be in such form as the director shall prescribe, but the license shall be a card made of plastic or other comparable material. licenses shall be manufactured of materials and processes that will prohibit, as nearly as possible, the ability to reproduce, alter, counterfeit, forge, or duplicate any license without ready detection. The license shall also bear the expiration date of the license, the classification of the license, the name, date of birth, residence address including the county of residence or a code number corresponding to such county established by the department, and brief description and colored digitized image of the licensee, and a facsimile of the signature of the licensee. The director shall provide by administrative rule the procedure and format for a licensee to indicate on the back of the license together with the designation for an anatomical gift as provided in section 194.240 the name and address of the person designated pursuant to sections 404.800 to 404.865 as the licensee's attorney in fact for the purposes of a durable power of attorney for health care decisions. No license shall be valid until it has been so signed by the licensee. If any portion of the license is prepared by a private firm, any contract with such firm shall be made in accordance with the competitive purchasing procedures as established by the state director of the division of purchasing.

- 2. All digital images produced for licenses shall become the property of the department of revenue.
- 3. The license issued shall be carried at all times by the holder thereof while driving a motor vehicle, and shall

be displayed upon demand of any officer of the highway patrol, or any police officer or peace officer, or any other duly authorized person, for inspection when demand is made therefor. Failure of any operator of a motor vehicle to exhibit his or her license to any duly authorized officer shall be presumptive evidence that such person is not a duly licensed operator.

- 4. The director of revenue shall not issue a license without a facial digital image of the license applicant, except as provided pursuant to subsection 7 of this section. A digital image of the applicant's full facial features shall be taken in a manner prescribed by the director. No digital image shall be taken wearing anything which cloaks the facial features of the individual.
- 5. The department of revenue may issue a temporary license or a full license without the photograph or with the last photograph or digital image in the department's records to members of the Armed Forces, except that where such temporary license is issued it shall be valid only until the applicant shall have had time to appear and have his or her picture taken and a license with his or her photograph issued.
- 6. The department of revenue shall issue upon request a nondriver's license card containing essentially the same information and photograph or digital image, except as provided pursuant to subsection 7 of this section, as the driver's license upon payment of six dollars. All nondriver's licenses shall expire on the applicant's birthday in the sixth year after issuance. A person who has passed his or her seventieth birthday shall upon application be issued a nonexpiring nondriver's license card.

 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a nondriver's license containing a concealed carry endorsement

shall expire three years from the date the certificate of qualification was issued pursuant to section 571.101, as section 571.101 existed prior to August 28, 2013. The fee for nondriver's licenses issued for a period exceeding three years is six dollars or three dollars for nondriver's licenses issued for a period of three years or less. The nondriver's license card shall be used for identification purposes only and shall not be valid as a license. No fee shall be required or collected from a homeless child or homeless youth, as defined in subsection 1 of section 167.020, or unaccompanied youth, as defined in 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a(6), for a first nondriver's license card issued under this subsection. Such person's status as a homeless child or youth or unaccompanied youth shall be verified by a letter signed by one of the following persons:

- (1) A director or designee of a governmental or nonprofit agency that receives public or private funding to provide services to homeless persons;
- (2) A local education agency liaison for homeless

 children and youth designated under 42 U.S.C. Section

 11432(g)(1)(J)(ii), or a school social worker or counselor;

 or
- (3) A licensed attorney representing the minor in any legal matter.
- 7. If otherwise eligible, an applicant may receive a driver's license or nondriver's license without a photograph or digital image of the applicant's full facial features except that such applicant's photograph or digital image shall be taken and maintained by the director and not printed on such license. In order to qualify for a license without a photograph or digital image pursuant to this section the applicant must:

- (1) Present a form provided by the department of revenue requesting the applicant's photograph be omitted from the license or nondriver's license due to religious affiliations. The form shall be signed by the applicant and another member of the religious tenant verifying the photograph or digital image exemption on the license or nondriver's license is required as part of their religious affiliation. The required signatures on the prescribed form shall be properly notarized;
- (2) Provide satisfactory proof to the director that the applicant has been a United States citizen for at least five years and a resident of this state for at least one year, except that an applicant moving to this state possessing a valid driver's license from another state without a photograph shall be exempt from the one-year state residency requirement. The director may establish rules necessary to determine satisfactory proof of citizenship and residency pursuant to this section;
- (3) Applications for a driver's license or nondriver's license without a photograph or digital image must be made in person at a license office determined by the director. The director is authorized to limit the number of offices that may issue a driver's or nondriver's license without a photograph or digital image pursuant to this section.
- 8. The department of revenue shall make available, at one or more locations within the state, an opportunity for individuals to have their full facial photograph taken by an employee of the department of revenue, or their designee, who is of the same sex as the individual being photographed, in a segregated location.
- 9. Beginning July 1, 2005, the director shall not issue a driver's license or a nondriver's license for a period that exceeds an applicant's lawful presence in the

United States. The director may, by rule or regulation, establish procedures to verify the lawful presence of the applicant and establish the duration of any driver's license or nondriver's license issued under this section.

- 10. (1) Notwithstanding any biometric data restrictions contained in section 302.170, the department of revenue is hereby authorized to design and implement a secure digital driver's license program that allows applicants applying for a driver's license in accordance with this chapter to obtain a secure digital driver's license in addition to the physical card-based license specified in this section.
- (2) A digital driver's license as described in this subsection shall be accepted for all purposes for which a license, as defined in section 302.010, is used.
- (3) The department may contract with one or more entities to develop the secure digital driver's license system. The department or entity may develop a mobile software application capable of being utilized through a person's electronic device to access the person's secure digital driver's license.
- (4) The department shall suspend, disable, or terminate a person's participation in the secure digital driver's license program if:
- (a) The person's driving privilege is suspended, revoked, denied, withdrawn, or cancelled as provided in this chapter; or
- (b) The person reports that the person's electronic device has been lost, stolen, or compromised.
- 11. The director of the department of revenue may promulgate rules as necessary for the implementation of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010 that is created under the

authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2020, shall be invalid and void.

- 491.075. 1. A statement made by a child under the age of [fourteen] eighteen, or a vulnerable person, relating to an offense under chapter 565, 566, 568 or 573, performed by another, not otherwise admissible by statute or court rule, is admissible in evidence in criminal proceedings in the courts of this state as substantive evidence to prove the truth of the matter asserted if:
- (1) The court finds, in a hearing conducted outside the presence of the jury that the time, content and circumstances of the statement provide sufficient indicia of reliability; and
- (2) (a) The child or vulnerable person testifies at the proceedings; or
- (b) The child or vulnerable person is unavailable as a witness; or
- (c) The child or vulnerable person is otherwise physically available as a witness but the court finds that the significant emotional or psychological trauma which would result from testifying in the personal presence of the defendant makes the child or vulnerable person unavailable as a witness at the time of the criminal proceeding.
- 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section or any provision of law or rule of evidence requiring corroboration

of statements, admissions or confessions of the defendant, and notwithstanding any prohibition of hearsay evidence, a statement by a child when under the age of [fourteen] eighteen, or a vulnerable person, who is alleged to be victim of an offense under chapter 565, 566, 568 or 573 is sufficient corroboration of a statement, admission or confession regardless of whether or not the child or vulnerable person is available to testify regarding the offense.

- 3. A statement may not be admitted under this section unless the prosecuting attorney makes known to the accused or the accused's counsel his or her intention to offer the statement and the particulars of the statement sufficiently in advance of the proceedings to provide the accused or the accused's counsel with a fair opportunity to prepare to meet the statement.
- 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the admissibility of statements, admissions or confessions otherwise admissible by law.
- 5. For the purposes of this section, "vulnerable person" shall mean a person who, as a result of an inadequately developed or impaired intelligence or a psychiatric disorder that materially affects ability to function, lacks the mental capacity to consent, or whose developmental level does not exceed that of an ordinary child of fourteen years of age.
- 492.304. 1. In addition to the admissibility of a statement under the provisions of section 492.303, the visual and aural recording of a verbal or nonverbal statement of a child when under the age of [fourteen who is alleged to be a victim of] eighteen, relating to an offense under the provisions of chapter 565, 566 [or], 568, or 573, if performed by another, is admissible into evidence if:

- (1) No attorney for either party was present when the statement was made; except that, for any statement taken at a state-funded child assessment center as provided for in subsection 2 of section 210.001, an attorney representing the state of Missouri in a criminal investigation may, as a member of a multidisciplinary investigation team, observe the taking of such statement, but such attorney shall not be present in the room where the interview is being conducted;
- (2) The recording is both visual and aural and is recorded on film or videotape or by other electronic means;
- (3) The recording equipment was capable of making an accurate recording, the operator of the equipment was competent, and the recording is accurate and has not been altered;
- (4) The statement was not made in response to questioning calculated to lead the child to make a particular statement or to act in a particular way;
 - (5) Every voice on the recording is identified;
- (6) The person conducting the interview of the child in the recording is present at the proceeding and available to testify or be cross-examined by either party; and
- (7) The defendant or the attorney for the defendant is afforded an opportunity to view the recording before it is offered into evidence.
- 2. If the child does not testify at the proceeding, the visual and aural recording of a verbal or nonverbal statement of the child shall not be admissible under this section unless the recording qualifies for admission under section 491.075.
- 3. If the visual and aural recording of a verbal or nonverbal statement of a child is admissible under this section and the child testifies at the proceeding, it shall be admissible in addition to the testimony of the child at

the proceeding whether or not it repeats or duplicates the child's testimony.

4. As used in this section, a nonverbal statement shall be defined as any demonstration of the child by his or her actions, facial expressions, demonstrations with a doll or other visual aid whether or not this demonstration is accompanied by words.