FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 531

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SCHROER.

KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal section 565.020, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the offense of murder in the first degree, with penalty provisions.

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

	Section A. Section 565.020, RSMo, is repealed and one new
2	section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 565.020,
3	to read as follows:
	565.020. 1. A person commits the offense of murder in
2	the first degree if he or she knowingly causes the death of
3	another person after deliberation upon the matter or if he
4	or she knowingly delivers or distributes fentanyl or
5	carfentanil, or any derivative or combination thereof, and
6	death results from the use of such substances.
7	2. The offense of murder in the first degree is a
8	class A felony, and, if a person is eighteen years of age or
9	older at the time of the offense, the punishment shall be
10	either death or imprisonment for life without eligibility
11	for probation or parole, or release except by act of the
12	governor. If a person has not reached his or her eighteenth
13	birthday at the time of the commission of the offense, the
14	punishment shall be as provided under section 565.033.

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