

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 999

## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES MERIDETH AND MYERS (Co-sponsors).

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TED WEDEL, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 67, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to local regulation of telecommunications towers.

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

Section A. Chapter 67, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 67.1228, to read as follows:

**67.1228. 1. It is the intent of the general assembly, due to possibly detrimental health effects, including neurological damage in children under twelve years of age and cancer, caused by the proximity of telecommunication siting towers for wireless telephone service and chronic exposure to electromagnetic fields and radio frequency (RF) emissions generated by such towers, to permit meaningful participation by adjacent landowners in the location of such towers.**

**2. In addition to any other zoning or related ordinance, the governing body of any county, city, town or village shall, by order or ordinance, require any individual or business entity planning to install, construct or locate a telecommunication siting tower, or other facility or structure for the transmission of wireless communications or telephone service, in such county, city, town or village to notify all owners of record of property which is adjacent to, or within two thousand feet of, property on which the tower, facility or structure is to be located. The order or ordinance shall provide for the method of notifying affected owners of record, including the length of time notice shall be given before the start of construction on the tower, structure or facility and the opportunity for affected owners of record to require a public hearing by the county, city, town or village on the location of the tower, structure or facility.**