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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 307.173, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to tinted windows, with a penalty provision and an emergency clause.

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

2 Section A. Section 307.173, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in
3 lieu thereof, to be known as section 307.173, to read as follows:

2 307.173. 1. [Except as provided in subsections 2 and 6 of this section, no person
3 shall operate any motor vehicle registered in this state on any public highway or street
4 of this state with any manufactured vision-reducing material applied to any portion of
5 the motor vehicle's windshield, sidewings, or windows located immediately to the left and
6 right of the driver which reduces visibility from within or without the motor
7 vehicle. This section shall not prohibit labels, stickers, decalomania, or informational
8 signs on motor vehicles or the application of tinted or solar screening material to
9 recreational vehicles as defined in section 700.010, RSMo, provided that such material
10 does not interfere with the driver's normal view of the road. This section shall not
11 prohibit factory installed tinted glass, the equivalent replacement thereof or tinting
12 material applied to the upper portion of the motor vehicle's windshield which is normally
13 tinted by the manufacturer of motor vehicle safety glass.

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

14 2.] Any person may operate a motor vehicle with [side and rear windows] **front**
15 **sidewing vents or windows located immediately to the left and right of the**
16 **driver** that have a sun screening device, in conjunction with safety glazing material,
17 that has a light transmission of thirty-five percent or more plus or minus three percent
18 and a luminous reflectance of thirty-five percent or less plus or minus three
19 percent. **Except as provided in subsection 5 of this section, any sun screening**
20 **device applied to front sidewing vents or windows located immediately to the**
21 **left and right of the driver in excess of the requirements of this section shall**
22 **be prohibited without a permit pursuant to a physician's prescription as**
23 **described below. A permit to operate a motor vehicle with front sidewing**
24 **vents or windows located immediately to the left and right of the driver that**
25 **have a sun screening device, in conjunction with safety glazing material,**
26 **which permits less light transmission and luminous reflectance than allowed**
27 **under the requirements of this subsection, may be issued by the department**
28 **of public safety to a person having a serious medical condition which requires**
29 **the use of a sun screening device if the permittee's physician prescribes its**
30 **use. The director of the department of public safety shall promulgate rules**
31 **and regulations for the issuance of the permit. The permit shall allow**
32 **operation of the vehicle by any titleholder or relative within the second**
33 **degree by consanguinity or affinity, which shall mean a spouse, each**
34 **grandparent, parent, brother, sister, niece, nephew, aunt, uncle, child, and**
35 **grandchild of a person, who resides in the household. Except as provided in**
36 **subsection 2 of this section, all sun screening devices applied to the**
37 **windshield of a motor vehicle are prohibited.**

38 2. **This section shall not prohibit labels, stickers, decalcomania, or**
39 **informational signs on motor vehicles or the application of tinted or solar**
40 **screening material to recreational vehicles as defined in section 700.010,**
41 **RSMo, provided that such material does not interfere with the driver's normal**
42 **view of the road. This section shall not prohibit factory installed tinted glass,**
43 **the equivalent replacement thereof or tinting material applied to the upper**
44 **portion of the motor vehicle's windshield which is normally tinted by the**
45 **manufacturer of motor vehicle safety glass.**

46 3. [A motor vehicle in violation of this section shall not be approved during any
47 motor vehicle safety inspection required pursuant to sections 307.350 to 307.390.

48 4.] Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010,
49 RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective
50 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and,

51 if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are
52 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to
53 chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date or to disapprove and annul a
54 rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and
55 any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2001, shall be invalid and void.

56 [5.] 4. Any person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a class
57 C misdemeanor.

58 [6.] 5. Any vehicle licensed with a historical license plate shall be exempt from
59 the requirements of this section.

2 Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to clarify the laws regarding
3 tinted windows, this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the
4 public health, welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act
5 within the meaning of the constitution, and this act shall be in full force and effect upon
6 its passage and approval.

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