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HOUSE BILL NO. 2264

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES LARGENT (Sponsor), TRACY,
DAY AND HOSKINS (121) (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 41, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to the Missouri youth challenge academy, with an emergency clause.

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

Section A. Chapter 41, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 41.208 and 41.209, to read as follows:

41.208. The adjutant general shall establish the "Missouri Youth Challenge Academy" in order to provide positive interventions in the lives of at-risk high school age youth. The academy will utilize residential military based training and supervised work experience to build life skills of high school dropouts. Academy participants will receive training that focuses on responsible citizenship, life coping skills, academic skills, job training and placement, physical fitness, services to the community, personal development, group skills, professional values, and additional subjects as directed by the adjutant general. The employees of the program shall receive salaries in amounts as fixed by the adjutant general within the limits of appropriations made for such salaries.

41.209. The "Missouri Youth Challenge Foundation Fund" is hereby created in the state treasury and shall consist of all gifts, donations, appropriations, transfers, and bequests to the funds. The adjutant general shall have the power to make grants from the fund to support the Missouri youth challenge academy as specified in section 41.208. The provisions of section 33.080 requiring all unexpended balances remaining in various state funds to be transferred and placed to the credit of the general revenue fund of the state at

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

7 **the end of each biennium shall not apply to the Missouri youth challenge foundation fund.**
8 **Interest and moneys earned on the fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund**
9 **shall be used for the sole purpose of funding the Missouri youth challenge academy**
10 **established under section 41.208.**

Section B. Because of the need to address high school drop out rates in Missouri and the
2 need to authorize the Missouri youth challenge foundation fund to accept monetary gifts in
3 support of the Missouri youth challenge academy at the earliest possible time, section A of this
4 act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace and
5 safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and
6 section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

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