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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill Nos. 1542 & 1101, Page 2, Section A, Line
2 18, by inserting after all of said section, the following:

3 “32.028. 1. There is hereby created a department of revenue in charge of a director appointed by
4 the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate. The department shall collect all taxes and
5 fees payable to the state as provided by law and may collect, upon referral by a state agency, debts owed
6 to any state agency subject to section 32.420.

7 2. The powers, duties and functions of the department of revenue, chapter 32 and others, are
8 transferred by type I transfer to the department of revenue. All powers, duties and function of the
9 collector of revenue are transferred to the director of the department by type I transfer and the position of
10 collector of revenue is abolished.

11 3. The powers, duties and functions of the state tax commission, chapter 138 and others, are
12 transferred by type III transfer to the department of revenue.

13 4. All of the powers, duties and functions of the state tax commission relating to administration of
14 the corporation franchise tax, chapter 152, and others, are transferred by type I transfer to the department
15 of revenue; provided, however, that the provision of section 138.430 relating to appeals from decisions of
16 the director of revenue shall apply to these taxes.

17 5. All the powers, duties and functions of the highway reciprocity commission, chapter 301, are
18 transferred by type II transfer to the department of revenue.

19 32.058. For all years beginning after January 1, 2013, notwithstanding the certified mail
20 provisions contained in chapters 32, 140, 142, 143, 144, 147, 148, 149, and 302, the director of revenue
21 may choose to mail any document by first class mail only if at least one notice of deficiency or assessment
22 is sent to the taxpayer via certified mail to the last known address.”; and

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24 Further amend said bill, Page 8, Section 32.087, Line 140, by inserting after all of said section, the
25 following:

26 _____ “32.088. 1. Beginning January 1, 2013, the possession of a statement from the department of
27 revenue stating no tax, applicable to the business seeking to issue or renew its license, is due under
28 chapters 142, 143, 144, 147, and 149, and that no fees are due under section 260.262 or 260.273, shall be
29 a prerequisite to the issuance or renewal of any city or county occupation license or any state license
30 required for conducting any business unless the owner is by law subject at least biennially to a state tax
31 check for purposes of retaining a professional license under sections 168.071, 324.010 and 484.053. The
32 statement of no tax due shall be dated no longer than ninety days before the date of submission for

1 application or renewal of the city or county license.

2 2. Beginning January 1, 2013, in lieu of subsection 1 of this section, the director shall, as soon as
3 practical thereafter, enter into an agreement with any state agency responsible for issuing any state license
4 for conducting any business requiring the agency to provide the director of revenue with the name and
5 Missouri tax identification number of each applicant for licensure within one month of the date the
6 application is filed or at least one month prior to the anticipated renewal of a licensee's license. If such
7 licensee is delinquent on any taxes under chapters 142, 143, 144, 147, and 149, or fees under section
8 260.262 or 260.273, the director shall then send notice to each such entity and licensee. In the case of
9 such delinquency or failure to file, the licensee's license shall be suspended within ninety days after notice
10 of such delinquency or failure to file, unless the director of revenue verifies that such delinquency or
11 failure has been remedied or arrangements have been made to achieve such remedy. The director of
12 revenue shall, within ten business days of notification to the governmental entity issuing the license that
13 the delinquency has been remedied or arrangements have been made to remedy such delinquency, send
14 written notification to the licensee that the delinquency has been remedied. Tax liability paid in protest or
15 reasonably founded disputes with such liability shall be considered paid for the purposes of this section.”;
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18 Further amend said bill, Page 9, Section 32.383, Lines 21-22, by deleting the words, “within sixty days of
19 approval by the department of revenue” and inserting in lieu thereof the words, “by October 31, 2012”;
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22 Further amend said bill, section, page, Line 40, by inserting after the word, “fund.”, the following: “The
23 department must track all payments received and submit a report, no later than December 31, 2012, to the
24 speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tem of the senate.”; and

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26 Further amend said bill, section, Page 10, Line 49, by inserting after all of said line, the following:

27 “9. This section shall become effective on July 1, 2012, and shall expire on December 31, 2015.

28 32.385. 1. The director of revenue and the commissioner of administration may jointly enter into
29 a reciprocal collection and offset of indebtedness agreement with the federal government, under which the
30 State will offset from state tax refunds and from payments otherwise due to vendors and contractors
31 providing goods or services to state departments, agencies, or other state agencies non-tax debt owed to
32 the federal government; and the federal government will offset from federal payments to vendors,
33 contractors, and taxpayers debt owed to the state of Missouri.

34 2. When used in this section, the following words, terms, and phrases are defined as set forth
35 herein:

36 (1) "Federal official", a unit or official of the federal government charged with the collection of
37 nontax liabilities payable to the federal government under 31 U.S.C. Section 3716, as amended;

38 (2) "Nontax liability due the state", a liability certified to the director of revenue by a state agency
39 and shall include, but shall not be limited to, fines, fees, penalties, and other nontax assessments imposed
40 by or payable to any state agency that is finally determined to be due and owing;

1 (3) "Offset agreement", the agreement authorized by this section;

2 (4) "Person", an individual, partnership, society, association, joint stock company, corporation,
3 public corporation, or any public authority, estate, receiver, trustee, assignee, referee, and any other
4 person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity whether appointed by a court or otherwise, and any
5 combination of the foregoing;

6 (5) "Refund", an amount described as a refund of tax under the provisions of the state tax law that
7 authorized its payment;

8 (6) "State agency", any department, division, board, commission, office, or other agency of the
9 state of Missouri;

10 (7) "Vendor payment", any payment, other than a refund, made by the state to any person or
11 entity, and shall include but shall not be limited to any expense reimbursement to an employee of the
12 state; but shall not include a person's salary, wages, or pension.

13 3. Under the offset agreement, a federal official may:

14 (1) Certify to the state of Missouri the existence of a person's delinquent nontax liability owed by
15 the person to the federal government;

16 (2) Request that the state of Missouri withhold any refund and vendor payment to which the
17 person is entitled;

18 (3) Certify and request the state of Missouri to withhold a refund or vendor payment only if the
19 laws of the United States:

20 (a) Allow the state of Missouri to enter into a reciprocal agreement with the United States, under
21 which the federal official would be authorized to offset federal payments to collect delinquent tax and
22 nontax debts owed to the state; and

23 (b) Provide for the payment of the amount withheld to the state;

24 (4) Retain a portion of the proceeds of any collection setoff as provided under the setoff
25 agreement.

26 4. Under the offset agreement, a certification by a federal official to the state of Missouri shall
27 include:

28 (1) The full name of the person and any other names known to be used by the person;

29 (2) The Social Security number or federal tax identification number;

30 (3) The amount of the nontax liability; and

31 (4) A statement that the debt is past due and legally enforceable in the amount certified.

32 5. If a person for whom a certification is received from a federal official is due a refund of
33 Missouri tax or a vendor payment, the agreement may provide that the state of Missouri shall:

34 (1) Withhold a refund or vendor payment that is due a person whose name has been certified by a
35 federal official;

36 (2) In accordance with the provisions of the offset agreement, notify the person of the amount
37 withheld in satisfaction of a liability certified by a federal official;

38 (3) Pay to the federal official the lesser of:

39 (a) The entire refund or vendor payment; or

40 (b) The amount certified; and

1 (4) Pay any refund or vendor payment in excess of the certified amount to the person.

2 6. Under the agreement, the director of revenue shall:

3 (1) Certify to a federal official the existence of a person's delinquent tax or nontax liability due
4 the state owed by the person to any state agency;

5 (2) Request that the federal official withhold any eligible vendor payment to which the person is
6 entitled; and

7 (3) Provide for the payment of the amount withheld to the state.

8 7. A certification by a state agency to the director of revenue and by the director of revenue to the
9 federal official under the offset agreement shall include:

10 (1) The full name and address of the person and any other names known to be used by the person;

11 (2) The Social Security number or tax identification number;

12 (3) The amount of the tax or nontax liability;

13 (4) A statement that the debt is past due and legally enforceable in the amount certified; and

14 (5) Any other information required by federal statute or regulation applicable to the collection of
15 the debt by offset of federal payments.

16 8. Any other provisions of law to the contrary notwithstanding, the director of revenue and the
17 commissioner of administration shall have the authority to enter into reciprocal agreements with any other
18 state which extends a like comity to this state to set off offset from state tax refunds and from payments
19 otherwise due to vendors and contractors providing goods or services to state departments, agencies, or
20 other state agencies nontax debt for debts due the other state that extends a like comity to this state.

21 32.410. As used in sections 32.410 to 32.460, the following terms shall mean:

22 (1) "Debt", an amount owed to the state directly or through a state agency, on account of a fee,
23 duty, lease, direct loan, loan insured or guaranteed by the state, rent, service, sale of real or personal
24 property, overpayment, fine, assessment, penalty, restitution, damages, interest, tax, bail bond, forfeiture,
25 reimbursement, liability owed, an assignment, recovery of costs incurred by the state, or any other source
26 of indebtedness to the state;

27 (2) "Debtor", an individual, a corporation, a partnership, an unincorporated association, a limited
28 liability company, a trust, an estate, or any other public or private entity, including a state, local, or federal
29 government, or an Indian tribe, that is liable for a debt or against whom there is a claim for a debt;

30 (3) "Department", the department of revenue;

31 (4) "State agency", any division, board, commission, office, or other agency of the state of
32 Missouri, including public community college districts and any state or municipal court.

33 32.420. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, all state agencies may
34 refer to the department for collection debts owed to them. The department may provide collection
35 services on debts referred to the department by a state agency. This authority shall not supersede the
36 authority granted to the attorney general under section 27.060 or any other statute.

37 2. A referring agency may refer the debt to the department for collection at any time after a debt
38 becomes delinquent and uncontested and the debtor shall have no further administrative appeal of the
39 amount of the debt. Methods and procedures for referral shall be governed by an agreement between the
40 referring agency and the department.

1 3. The collection procedures and remedies under this chapter are in addition to any other
2 procedure or remedy available by law. If the state agency's applicable state or federal law requires the use
3 of a particular remedy or procedure for the collection of a debt, that particular remedy or procedure shall
4 govern the collection of that debt to the extent the procedure or remedy is inconsistent with this chapter.

5 4. The state agency shall send notice to the debtor by United States mail at the debtor's last
6 known address at least twenty days before the debt is referred to the department. The notice shall state the
7 nature and amount of the debt, identify to whom the debt is owed, and inform the debtor of the remedies
8 available under this chapter or the state agency's own procedures.

9 32.430. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the department shall have the authority
10 to use all general remedies afforded creditors of this state in collection of debt as well as any remedies
11 afforded the state agency referring the debt and to the state in general as a creditor. The department shall
12 not have authority to prosecute or defend civil actions on behalf of any other state agency, except as
13 necessary to defend any challenges made to actions under section 140.910 or 143.902 for a debt referred
14 by a state agency or to prosecute an action under subsection 10 of section 140.910.

15 2. In addition to the remedies identified in sections 32.410 to 32.460, the department may use the
16 collection remedies afforded under sections 140.910 and 143.902 in the collection of any state debt
17 referred to the department.

18 3. The department may employ department staff and attorneys, and at the department's discretion,
19 prosecuting attorneys and private collection agencies as authorized in sections 136.150 and 140.850 in
20 seeking collection of debts referred to the department by a state agency.

21 32.440. 1. The department shall add to the amount of debt referred to the department by a state
22 agency the cost of collection which shall be ten percent of the total debt referred by the state agency. The
23 department shall have the same authority to collect the cost of collection as the department has in
24 collecting the debt referred by the state agency.

25 2. The cost of collection shall only be waived when:

26 (1) Within thirty days after the initial notice to the debtor by the department, the debtor
27 establishes to the department reasonable cause for the failure to pay the debt prior to referral of the debt to
28 the department, enters into an agreement satisfactory to the department to pay the debt in full, and fully
29 abides by the terms of that agreement;

30 (2) A good faith dispute as to the legitimacy or the amount of the debt exists, and payment is
31 remitted or an agreement satisfactory to the department to pay the debt in full is entered into within thirty
32 days after resolution of the dispute, and the debtor fully abides by the terms of that agreement; or

33 (3) Collection costs have been added by the state agency and are included in the amount of the
34 referred debt.

35 3. If the department collects an amount less than the total due, the payment shall be applied
36 proportionally to collection costs and the underlying debt unless the department has waived this
37 requirement for certain categories of debt. Collection costs collected by the department under this section
38 shall be deposited in the general revenue fund.

39 32.450. The department may compromise state debt referred to the department in accordance with
40 section 32.378 and any agreement with the referring agency.

1 32.460. The department and state agencies, including the judiciary, may exchange such
2 information, including the debtor's Social Security number, as is necessary for the successful collection of
3 the state debt referred. The referring agency shall follow all applicable federal and state laws regarding
4 the confidentiality of information and records regarding the debtor. The confidentiality laws applicable to
5 the particular information received and retained by each agency shall apply to the employees of such state
6 agency and to the department when such information has been forwarded to the department.”; and
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8 Further amend said bill, Page 90, Section 94.705, Line 68, by inserting after all of said section, the
9 following:

10 “105.716. 1. Any investigation, defense, negotiation, or compromise of any claim covered by
11 sections 105.711 to 105.726 shall be conducted by the attorney general; provided, that in the case of any
12 claim against the department of conservation, the department of transportation or a public institution
13 which awards baccalaureate degrees, or any officer or employee of such department or such institution,
14 any investigation, defense, negotiation, or compromise of any claim covered by sections 105.711 to
15 105.726 shall be conducted by legal counsel provided by the respective entity against which the claim is
16 made or which employs the person against whom the claim is made.
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18 In the case of any payment from the state legal expense fund based upon a claim or judgment against the
19 department of conservation, the department of transportation or any officer or employee thereof, the
20 department so affected shall immediately transfer to the state legal expense fund from the department
21 funds a sum equal to the amount expended from the state legal expense fund on its behalf.

22 2. All persons and entities protected by the state legal expense fund shall cooperate with the
23 attorneys conducting any investigation and preparing any defense under the provisions of sections 105.711
24 to 105.726 by assisting such attorneys in all respects, including the making of settlements, the securing
25 and giving of evidence, and the attending and obtaining witness to attend hearings and trials. Funds in the
26 state legal expense fund shall not be used to pay claims and judgments against those persons and entities
27 who do not cooperate as required by this subsection.

28 3. The provisions of sections 105.711 to 105.726 notwithstanding, the attorney general may
29 investigate, defend, negotiate, or compromise any claim covered by sections 105.711 to 105.726 against
30 any public institution which awards baccalaureate degrees whose governing body has declared a state of
31 financial exigency.

32 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 2 of section 105.711, funds in the state legal
33 expense fund may be expended prior to the payment of any claim or any final judgment to pay costs of
34 defense, including reasonable attorney's fees for retention of legal counsel, when the attorney general
35 determines that a conflict exists or particular expertise is required, and also to pay for related legal
36 expenses including medical examination fees, expert witness fees, court reporter expenses, travel costs
37 and ancillary legal expenses incurred prior to the payment of a claim or any final judgment.

38 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, except for payments of less than
39 ten thousand dollars for property damage, no funds shall be expended from the state legal expense fund
40 for settlement of any liability claim except upon the production of a no tax due statement from the

1 department of revenue by the party making claim or having judgment under section 105.711, which shall
2 be satisfied from such fund. If the party is found by the director of revenue to owe a delinquent tax debt
3 to the state of Missouri under the revenue laws of this state, after the payment of attorney's fees and
4 expenses associated with liability of the fund to the party, any remaining funds to be paid to the party from
5 the state legal expense fund shall be offset to satisfy such tax debt before payment is made to the party
6 making claim or having judgment.”; and

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8 Further amend said bill, Page 94, Section 137.115, Line 173, by inserting after all of said section, the
9 following:

10 “140.910. 1. In addition to any other remedy provided by law for the collection of delinquent
11 taxes due the state of Missouri, if the director has filed a certificate of lien in the circuit court as provided
12 by section 143.902, 144.380, or 144.690, the director or the director's designee may issue an order
13 directing any person, after the payment of attorney fees and expenses associated with creating the
14 proceeds belonging to, due, or to become due to the taxpayer, to withhold and pay over to the department
15 assets belonging to, due, or to become due the taxpayer. The director or the director's designee shall not
16 issue the administrative garnishment if the taxpayer has entered into a written agreement with the
17 department for an alternative payment arrangement and the taxpayer is in compliance with the agreement.

18 2. An order entered under this section shall be served on the person or other legal entity either by
19 regular mail or by certified mail, return receipt requested, or may be issued through electronic means, and
20 shall be binding on the employer or other payor two weeks after mailing or electronic issuance of such
21 service. The person or other entity in possession of assets belonging to, due, or to become due the
22 taxpayer may deduct an additional sum not to exceed six dollars per month as reimbursement for costs,
23 except that the total amount withheld shall not exceed the limitations contained in the federal Consumer
24 Credit Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 1673, as amended.

25 3. A copy of the order shall be mailed to the taxpayer at the taxpayer's last known address. The
26 notice shall advise the taxpayer that the administrative garnishment has commenced and the procedures to
27 contest such garnishment on the grounds that such garnishment is improper due to a mistake of fact by
28 requesting a hearing within thirty days from mailing or electronic issuance of the notice. At such a
29 hearing the certified records of the department shall constitute prima facie evidence that the director's
30 order is valid and enforceable. If a prima facie case is established, the obligor may only assert as a
31 defense mistake as to the identity of the taxpayer, mistake as to payments made, or existence of an
32 alternative payment agreement for which no default has occurred. The taxpayer shall have the burden of
33 proof on such issues. The taxpayer may obtain relief from the garnishment by paying the amount owed.

34 4. An employer or other payor shall withhold from the earnings or other income of each taxpayer
35 the amount specified in the order. The employer or other payor shall transmit the payments as directed in
36 the order within ten business days of the date the earnings, money due, or other income was payable to the
37 taxpayer. For purposes of this section, "business day" means a day that state offices are open for regular
38 business. The employer or other payor shall, along with the amounts transmitted, provide the date the
39 amount was withheld from the taxpayer.

40 5. An order issued under subsection 1 of this section shall be a continuing order and shall remain

1 in effect and be binding upon any employer or other payor upon whom it is directed until a further order
2 of the director. The director shall notify an employer or other payor upon whom such an order has been
3 directed whenever the deficiency is paid in full.

4 6. If the order is served on a person other than an employer or other payor, it shall be a lien
5 against any money belonging to the taxpayer that is in the possession of the person on the date of service.
6 The person other than an employer or other payor shall pay over any assets within ten business days of the
7 service date of the order. A financial institution ordered to surrender an account shall be entitled to
8 collect its normally scheduled account activity surcharges to maintain the account during the period of
9 time the account is garnished. For purposes of this section, the interest of the taxpayer in any joint
10 financial accounts shall be presumed to be equal to all other joint owners.

11 7. An order issued under subsection 1 of this section shall have priority over any other legal
12 process under state law against the same income or other asset, except that where the other legal process is
13 an order issued under section 452.350, 454.505, or 454.507, the withholding for child support shall have
14 priority.

15 8. No person who complies with an order entered under this section shall be liable to the
16 taxpayer, or to any other person claiming rights derived from the taxpayer, for wrongful withholding. A
17 person who fails or refuses to withhold or pay the amounts as ordered under this section shall be liable to
18 the state in a sum equal to the value of the wages or property not surrendered, but not to exceed the
19 amount of tax deficiency. The director is hereby authorized to bring an action in circuit court to determine
20 the liability of a person for failure to withhold or pay the amounts as ordered. If a court finds that a
21 violation has occurred, the court may fine the person in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars.
22 The court may also enter a judgment against the person or other legal entity for the amounts to be
23 withheld or paid, court costs, and reasonable attorney's surcharges.

24 9. The remedy provided by this section shall be available where the state or any of its political
25 subdivisions is the employer or other payor of the taxpayer in the same manner and to the same extent as
26 where the employer or other payor is a private party.

27 10. An employer shall not discharge, or refuse to hire or otherwise discipline, an employee as a
28 result of an order to withhold and pay over certain money authorized by this section. If any such
29 employee is discharged within thirty days of the date upon which an order to withhold and pay over
30 certain money is to take effect, there shall arise a rebuttable presumption that such discharge was a result
31 of such order. This presumption shall be overcome only by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence
32 produced by the employer that the employee was not terminated because of the order to withhold and pay
33 over certain money. The director or the director's designee is hereby authorized to bring an action in
34 circuit court to determine whether the discharge constitutes a violation of this subsection. If the court
35 finds that a violation has occurred, the court may enter an order against the employer requiring
36 reinstatement of the employee and may fine the employer in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars.
37 Further, the court may enter judgment against the employer for the back wages, costs, attorney's
38 surcharges, and for the amount of taxes that should have been withheld and paid over during the period of
39 time the employee was wrongfully discharged.

40 11. If a taxpayer for whom an order to withhold has been issued under subsection 1 of this section

1 terminates the taxpayer's employment, the employer shall, within ten days of the termination, notify the
2 department of the termination, shall provide to the department the last known address of the taxpayer, if
3 known to the employer, and shall provide to the department the name and address of the taxpayer's new
4 employer, if known. The director or the director's designee may issue an order to the new employer as
5 provided in subsection 1 of this section.

6 12. For purposes of this section, "assets" include, but are not limited to, currency, any financial
7 account or other liquid asset, and any income or other periodic form of payment due to a taxpayer
8 regardless of source, including, but not limited to, wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, workers'
9 compensation benefits, disability benefits, payments pursuant to a pension or a retirement program, and
10 interest."; and

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12 Further amend said bill, Page 159, Section 144.140, Line 19, by inserting after all of said section, the
13 following:

14 "144.190. 1. If a tax has been incorrectly computed by reason of a clerical error or mistake on the
15 part of the director of revenue, such fact shall be set forth in the records of the director of revenue, and the
16 amount of the overpayment shall be credited on any taxes then due from the person legally obligated to
17 remit the tax pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525, and the balance shall be refunded to the person
18 legally obligated to remit the tax, such person's administrators or executors, as provided for in section
19 144.200.

20 2. If any tax, penalty or interest has been paid more than once, or has been erroneously or
21 illegally collected, or has been erroneously or illegally computed, such sum shall be credited on any taxes
22 then due from the person legally obligated to remit the tax pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525, and
23 the balance, with interest as determined by section 32.065, shall be refunded to the person legally
24 obligated to remit the tax, but no such credit or refund shall be allowed unless duplicate copies of a claim
25 for refund are filed within three years from date of overpayment. If a taxpayer applying for a refund under
26 the provisions of this section submits a written request for the director to hold a refund claim unprocessed
27 pending the outcome of legal proceedings on the same or similar grounds or transactions, and agrees that
28 the taxpayer's claim will be bound by the outcome of such legal proceeding should the outcome of such
29 proceeding be adverse to the taxpayer's position, the director shall hold such refund claim unprocessed
30 pending the outcome of such legal proceedings on the same or similar grounds or transactions.

31 Notwithstanding any provision of section 32.069 to the contrary, interest shall not accrue on any refund
32 for the time period such refund claim is held at the request of the taxpayer applying for a refund under the
33 provisions of this subsection. If the seller did not file a return with the director for the period for which
34 the refund is claimed and remit payment as shown on the return, the director shall not issue the refund to
35 the purchaser.

36 3. Every claim for refund must be in writing and signed by the applicant, and must state the
37 specific grounds upon which the claim is founded. Any refund or any portion thereof which is
38 erroneously made, and any credit or any portion thereof which is erroneously allowed, may be recovered
39 in any action brought by the director of revenue against the person legally obligated to remit the tax. In
40 the event that a tax has been illegally imposed against a person legally obligated to remit the tax, the

1 director of revenue shall authorize the cancellation of the tax upon the director's record.

2 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 32.057, a purchaser that originally paid sales or use
3 tax to a vendor or seller may submit a refund claim directly to the director of revenue for such sales or use
4 taxes paid to such vendor or seller and remitted to the director, provided no sum shall be refunded more
5 than once, any such claim shall be subject to any offset, defense, or other claim the director otherwise
6 would have against either the purchaser or vendor or seller, and such claim for refund is accompanied by
7 either:

8 (1) A notarized assignment of rights statement by the vendor or seller to the purchaser allowing
9 the purchaser to seek the refund on behalf of the vendor or seller. An assignment of rights statement shall
10 contain the Missouri sales or use tax registration number of the vendor or seller, a list of the transactions
11 covered by the assignment, the tax periods and location for which the original sale was reported to the
12 director of revenue by the vendor or seller, and a notarized statement signed by the vendor or seller
13 affirming that the vendor or seller has not received a refund or credit, will not apply for a refund or credit
14 of the tax collected on any transactions covered by the assignment, and authorizes the director to amend
15 the seller's return to reflect the refund; or

16 (2) In the event the vendor or seller fails or refuses to provide an assignment of rights statement
17 within sixty days from the date of such purchaser's written request to the vendor or seller, or the purchaser
18 is not able to locate the vendor or seller or the vendor or seller is no longer in business, the purchaser may
19 provide the director a notarized statement confirming the efforts that have been made to obtain an
20 assignment of rights from the vendor or seller. Such statement shall contain a list of the transactions
21 covered by the assignment, the tax periods and location for which the original sale was reported to the
22 director of revenue by the vendor or seller.

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24 The director shall not require such vendor, seller, or purchaser to submit amended returns for refund
25 claims submitted under the provisions of this subsection. Notwithstanding the provisions of section
26 32.057, if the seller is registered with the director for collection and remittance of sales tax, the director
27 shall notify the seller at the seller's last known address of the claim for refund. If the seller objects to the
28 refund within thirty days of the date of the notice, the director shall not pay the refund. If the seller agrees
29 that the refund is warranted or fails to respond within thirty days, the director may issue the refund and
30 amend the seller's return to reflect the refund. For purposes of section 32.069, the refund claim shall not
31 be considered to have been filed until the seller agrees that the refund is warranted or thirty days after the
32 date the director notified the seller and the seller failed to respond.

33 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 32.057, when a vendor files a refund claim on behalf
34 of a purchaser and such refund claim is denied by the director, notice of such denial and the reason for the
35 denial shall be sent by the director to the vendor and each purchaser whose name and address is submitted
36 with the refund claim form filed by the vendor. A purchaser shall be entitled to appeal the denial of the
37 refund claim within sixty days of the date such notice of denial is mailed by the director as provided in
38 section 144.261. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all refund claims filed after August 28,
39 2012. The provisions of this subsection allowing a purchaser to appeal the director's decision to deny a
40 refund claim shall also apply to any refund claim denied by the director on or after January 1, 2007, if an

1 appeal of the denial of the refund claim is filed by the purchaser no later than September 28, 2012, and if
2 such claim is based solely on the issue of the exemption of the electronic transmission or delivery of
3 computer software.

4 _____ 6. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the director of revenue shall authorize
5 direct-pay agreements to purchasers which have annual purchases in excess of seven hundred fifty
6 thousand dollars pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the director of revenue. For the purposes of
7 such direct-pay agreements, the taxes authorized pursuant to chapters 66, 67, 70, 92, 94, 162, 190, 238,
8 321, and 644 shall be remitted based upon the location of the place of business of the purchaser.

9 [5.] 7. Special rules applicable to error corrections requested by customers of mobile
10 telecommunications service are as follows:

11 (1) For purposes of this subsection, the terms "customer", "home service provider", "place of
12 primary use", "electronic database", and "enhanced zip code" shall have the same meanings as defined in
13 the Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act incorporated by reference in section 144.013;

14 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, if a customer of mobile telecommunications
15 services believes that the amount of tax, the assignment of place of primary use or the taxing jurisdiction
16 included on a billing is erroneous, the customer shall notify the home service provider, in writing, within
17 three years from the date of the billing statement. The customer shall include in such written notification
18 the street address for the customer's place of primary use, the account name and number for which the
19 customer seeks a correction of the tax assignment, a description of the error asserted by the customer and
20 any other information the home service provider reasonably requires to process the request;

21 (3) Within sixty days of receiving the customer's notice, the home service provider shall review
22 its records and the electronic database or enhanced zip code to determine the customer's correct taxing
23 jurisdiction. If the home service provider determines that the review shows that the amount of tax,
24 assignment of place of primary use or taxing jurisdiction is in error, the home service provider shall
25 correct the error and, at its election, either refund or credit the amount of tax erroneously collected to the
26 customer for a period of up to three years from the last day of the home service provider's sixty-day
27 review period. If the home service provider determines that the review shows that the amount of tax, the
28 assignment of place of primary use or the taxing jurisdiction is correct, the home service provider shall
29 provide a written explanation of its determination to the customer.

30 [6.] 8. For all refund claims submitted to the department of revenue on or after September 1,
31 2003, notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, if a person legally obligated to remit
32 the tax levied pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525 has received a refund of such taxes for a specific
33 issue and submits a subsequent claim for refund of such taxes on the same issue for a tax period beginning
34 on or after the date the original refund check issued to such person, no refund shall be allowed. This
35 subsection shall not apply and a refund shall be allowed if an additional refund claim is filed due to any of
36 the following:

37 (1) Receipt of additional information or an exemption certificate from the purchaser of the item at
38 issue;

39 (2) A decision of a court of competent jurisdiction or the administrative hearing commission; or

40 (3) Changes in regulations or policy by the department of revenue.

1 [7.] 9. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the director of revenue shall respond
2 to a request for a binding letter ruling filed in accordance with section 536.021 within sixty days of receipt
3 of such request. If the director of revenue fails to respond to such letter ruling request within sixty days of
4 receipt by the director, the director of revenue shall be barred from pursuing collection of any assessment
5 of sales or use tax with respect to the issue which is the subject of the letter ruling request. For purposes
6 of this subsection, the term "letter ruling" means a written interpretation of law by the director to a
7 specific set of facts provided by a specific taxpayer or his or her agent.

8 [8.] 10. If any tax was paid more than once, was incorrectly collected, or was incorrectly
9 computed, such sum shall be credited on any taxes then due from the person legally obligated to remit the
10 tax pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.510, against any deficiency or tax due discovered through an audit
11 of the person by the department of revenue through adjustment during the same tax filing period for which
12 the audit applied.”; and

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14 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.