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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES CURTIS (Sponsor), HICKS, MIMS, KOLKMEYER, MAYFIELD,
PACE, MORGAN, MCNEIL, NEWMAN, PIERSON, OTTO, BUTLER, JUSTUS, ENGLISH,
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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 210.861, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to community children's services funds.

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

Section A. Section 210.861, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.861, to read as follows:

210.861. 1. When the tax prescribed by section 210.860 or section 67.1775 is established, the governing body of the city or county or city not within a county shall appoint a board of directors consisting of nine members, who shall be residents of the city or county or city not within a county. All board members shall be appointed to serve for a term of three years, except that of the first board appointed, three members shall be appointed for one-year terms, three members for two-year terms and three members for three-year terms. Board members may be reappointed. In a city not within a county, or any county of the first classification with a charter form of government with a population not less than nine hundred thousand inhabitants, or any county of the first classification with a charter form of government with a population not less than two hundred thousand inhabitants and not more than six hundred thousand inhabitants, or any noncharter county of the first classification with a population not less than one hundred seventy thousand and not more than two hundred thousand inhabitants, or any noncharter county of the first classification with a population not less than eighty thousand and not more than eighty-three thousand inhabitants, or any third classification county with a population not less than twenty-eight thousand and not more than thirty thousand inhabitants, or any county of the

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.

16 third classification with a population not less than nineteen thousand five hundred and not more
17 than twenty thousand inhabitants the members of the community mental health board of trustees
18 appointed pursuant to the provisions of sections 205.975 to 205.990 shall be the board members
19 for the community children's services fund. The directors shall not receive compensation for
20 their services, but may be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses.

21 2. The board shall elect a chairman, vice chairman, treasurer, and such other officers as
22 it deems necessary for its membership. Before taking office, the treasurer shall furnish a surety
23 bond, in an amount to be determined and in a form to be approved by the board, for the faithful
24 performance of his or her duties and faithful accounting of all moneys that may come into his
25 or her hands. The treasurer shall enter into the surety bond with a surety company authorized
26 to do business in Missouri, and the cost of such bond shall be paid by the board of directors. The
27 board shall administer and expend all funds generated pursuant to section 210.860 or section
28 67.1775 in a manner consistent with this section.

29 3. The board may contract with public or not-for-profit agencies licensed or certified
30 where appropriate to provide qualified services and may place conditions on the use of such
31 funds. The board shall reserve the right to audit the expenditure of any and all funds. The board
32 and any agency with which the board contracts may establish eligibility standards for the use of
33 such funds and the receipt of services. No member of the board shall serve on the governing
34 body, have any financial interest in, or be employed by any agency which is a recipient of funds
35 generated pursuant to section 210.860 or section 67.1775.

36 4. Revenues collected and deposited in the community children's services fund may be
37 expended for the purchase of the following services:

38 (1) Up to thirty days of temporary shelter for abused, neglected, runaway, homeless or
39 emotionally disturbed youth; respite care services; and services to unwed mothers;

40 (2) Outpatient chemical dependency and psychiatric treatment programs; counseling and
41 related services as a part of transitional living programs; home-based and community-based
42 family intervention programs; unmarried parent services; crisis intervention services, inclusive
43 of telephone hotlines; **preventative services designed to prevent substance abuse and mental**
44 **abuse;** and prevention programs which promote healthy lifestyles among children and youth and
45 strengthen families;

46 (3) Individual, group, or family professional counseling and therapy services;
47 psychological evaluations; and mental health screenings.

48 5. Revenues collected and deposited in the community children's services fund may not
49 be expended for inpatient medical, psychiatric, and chemical dependency services, or for
50 transportation services.

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