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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 547, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by
2 inserting immediately after said line the following:

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4 "208.024. 1. Eligible recipients of temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) or
5 supplementary nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits shall not use such funds in any
6 electronic benefit transfer transaction in any liquor store, casino, gambling casino, or gaming
7 establishment, any retail establishment which provides adult-oriented entertainment in which
8 performers disrobe or perform in an unclothed state for entertainment, or in any place for the
9 purchase of alcoholic beverages, lottery tickets, or tobacco products or for any item the department
10 determines by rule is primarily marketed for or used by adults eighteen or older and is not in the best
11 interests of the child or household. An eligible recipient of TANF or SNAP assistance who makes a
12 purchase in violation of this section shall reimburse the department of social services for such
13 purchase.

14 2. An individual, store owner or proprietor of an establishment shall not knowingly accept
15 TANF cash assistance or supplementary nutrition assistance program (SNAP) funds held on
16 electronic benefit transfer cards for the purchase of alcoholic beverages, lottery tickets, or tobacco
17 products or for use in any electronic benefit transfer transaction in any liquor store, casino, gambling
18 casino, or gaming establishment, any retail establishment which provides adult-oriented
19 entertainment in which performers disrobe or perform in an unclothed state for entertainment, or in
20 any place for the purchase of alcoholic beverages, lottery tickets, or tobacco products or for any item
21 the department determines by rule is primarily marketed for or used by adults eighteen or older and
22 is not in the best interests of the child or household. No store owner or proprietor of any liquor store,
23 casino, gambling casino, gaming establishment, or any retail establishment which provides
24 adult-oriented entertainment in which performers disrobe or perform in an unclothed state for
25 entertainment shall adopt any policy, either explicitly or implicitly, which encourages, permits, or
26 acquiesces in its employees knowingly accepting electronic benefit transfer cards in violation of this
27 section. This section shall not be construed to require any store owner or proprietor of an
28 establishment which is not a liquor store, casino, gambling casino, gaming establishment, or retail
29 establishment which provides adult-oriented entertainment in which performers disrobe or perform
30 in an unclothed state for entertainment to check the source of payment from every individual who
31 purchases alcoholic beverages, lottery tickets, tobacco products, or any item the department
32 determines by rule is primarily marketed for or used by adults eighteen or older and is not in the best
33 interests of the child or household. An individual, store owner or proprietor of an establishment who
34 knowingly accepts electronic benefit transfer cards in violation of this section shall be punished by a
35 fine of not more than five hundred dollars for the first offense, a fine of not less than five hundred
36 dollars nor more than one thousand dollars for the second offense, and a fine of not less than one

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1 thousand dollars for the third or subsequent offense.

2 3. Any recipient of TANF or SNAP benefits who does not make at least one electronic
3 benefit transfer transaction within the state for a period of ninety days shall have his or her benefit
4 payments to the electronic benefit account temporarily suspended, pending an investigation by the
5 department of social services to determine if the recipient is no longer a Missouri resident. If the
6 department finds that the recipient is no longer a Missouri resident, it shall close the recipient's case.
7 Closure of a recipient's case shall trigger the automated benefit eligibility process under section
8 208.238. A recipient may appeal the closure of his or her case to the director under section 208.080.

9 4. A recipient who does not make an electronic benefit transfer transaction within the state
10 for a period of sixty days shall be provided notice of the possibility of the suspension of funds if no
11 electronic benefit transfer transaction occurs in the state within another thirty days after the date of
12 the notice.

13 5. For purposes of this section:

14 (1) The following terms shall mean:

15 (a) "Electronic benefit transfer transaction", the use of a credit or debit card service,
16 automated teller machine, point-of-sale terminal, or access to an online system for the withdrawal of
17 funds or the processing of a payment for merchandise or a service; and

18 (b) "Liquor store", any retail establishment [which sells exclusively or primarily] where at
19 least eighty-five percent of the merchandise sold at such establishment is intoxicating liquor. Such
20 term does not include a grocery store which sells both intoxicating liquor and groceries including
21 staple foods as outlined under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008;

22 (2) Casinos, gambling casinos, or gaming establishments shall not include:

23 (a) A grocery store which sells groceries including staple foods, and which also offers, or is
24 located within the same building or complex as a casino, gambling, or gaming activities; or

25 (b) Any other establishment that offers casino, gambling, or gaming activities incidental to
26 the principal purpose of the business."; and

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