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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# HOUSE BILL NO. 129

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 217, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to inmate charges for medical treatment at correctional facilities.

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

Section A. Chapter 217, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 217.243, to read as follows:

217.243. 1. Any inmate who receives on-site nonemergency medical examination  
2 or treatment from the correctional center's medical personnel shall be assessed a charge  
3 of fifty cents per visit for the medical examination or treatment.

4 2. Inmates shall be charged a copay fee except for the following:

5 (1) Health care services based on staff referrals;

6 (2) Staff approved follow up treatment for chronic illnesses;

7 (3) Preventive health care;

8 (4) Emergency services;

9 (5) Prenatal care;

10 (6) Diagnosis or treatment of chronic infectious diseases;

11 (7) Mental health care; or

12 (8) Substance abuse treatment.

13 3. Inmates without funds will not be charged provided the inmate is considered to  
14 be indigent and are unable to be pay the health care services fee.

15 4. The department is authorized to promulgate rules necessary to implement the  
16 provisions of this section.

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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.