

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 753

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MIMS.

1675L.021

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 43, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the creation of a pilot program by the division of drug and crime control.

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

Section A. Chapter 43, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 43.381, to read as follows:

43.381. 1. The division of drug and crime control, in conjunction with the crime laboratory division, within the Missouri state highway patrol shall create a pilot program that uses technologies and protocols to instantly identify new synthetic cannabinoids and cathinones, as well as other designer drugs. The pilot program shall focus on using technology capable of presumptive identification of synthetic cannabinoids and cathinones and other designer drugs in the field. Funding for the pilot program shall be subject to appropriation.

2. Beginning January 1, 2017, the division of drug and crime control shall submit an annual report to the general assembly outlining the findings of the pilot program and make any recommendation on whether the technologies and protocols selected for the pilot program can be used to prevent the growth of synthetic drugs and other illicit drugs throughout the state. Specifically, the evaluation shall include, but not be limited to the following:

(1) Review of technical capabilities and accuracy rates of technologies and protocols for the pilot program;

(2) Describe the impact to state and local crime lab backlogs if the technologies and protocols selected could eliminate the need to send synthetic drugs, or other illicit drugs to

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.

18 the crime lab for presumptive testing, including the potential cost savings to state and local
19 government;

20 (3) Describe the status of the courts' acceptance of the technologies and protocols
21 selected for the pilot program for the presumptive identification of synthetic cannabinoids
22 and cathinones and other designer drugs.

23

24 The report shall also identify any newly created synthetic cannabinoids and cathinones,
25 as well as other designer drugs.

✓