

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 997, Page 1, Section A, Line 3, by  
2 inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "103.003. As used in sections 103.003 to 103.175, the following terms mean:

5 (1) "Actuarial reserves", the necessary funding required to pay all the medical expenses for  
6 services provided to members of the plan but for which the claims have not yet been received by the  
7 claims administrator;

8 (2) "Actuary", a member of the American Academy of Actuaries or who is an enrolled  
9 actuary under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974;

10 (3) "Agency", a state-sponsored institution of higher learning, political subdivision or  
11 governmental entity or instrumentality;

12 (4) "Alternative delivery health care program", a plan of covered benefits that pays medical  
13 expenses through an alternate mechanism rather than on a fee-for-service basis. This includes, but  
14 is not limited to, health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations, all of  
15 which shall include chiropractic physicians licensed under chapter 331, in the provider networks or  
16 organizations;

17 (5) "Board", the board of trustees of the Missouri consolidated health care plan;

18 (6) "Claims administrator", an agency contracted to process medical claims submitted from  
19 providers or members of the plan and their dependents;

20 (7) "Coordination of benefits", to work with another group-sponsored health care plan  
21 which also covers a member of the plan to ensure that both plans pay their appropriate amount of  
22 the health care expenses incurred by the member;

23 (8) "Covered benefits", a schedule of covered services, including chiropractic services,  
24 which are payable under the plan;

25 (9) "Employee", any person employed full time by the state or a participating member  
26 agency, or a person eligible for coverage by a state-sponsored retirement system or a retirement  
27 system sponsored by a participating member agency of the plan;

28 (10) "Evidence of good health", medical information supplied by a potential member of the  
29 plan that is reviewed to determine the financial risk the person represents to the plan and the  
30 corresponding determination of whether or not he or she should be accepted into the plan;

31 (11) "Health care plan", any group medical benefit plan providing coverage on an expense-  
32 incurred basis, any HMO, any group service or indemnity contract issued by a health plan of any  
33 type or description;

34 (12) "Medical benefits coverages" shall include services provided by chiropractic physicians  
35 as well as physicians licensed under chapter 334;

36 (13) "Medical expenses", costs for services performed by a provider and covered under the

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1 plan;

2 (14) "Missouri consolidated health care plan benefit fund account", the benefit trust fund  
3 account containing all payroll deductions, payments, and income from all sources for the plan;

4 (15) "Officer", an elected official of the state of Missouri;

5 (16) "Participating higher education entity", a state-sponsored institution of higher learning;

6 (17) "Participating member agency", a [state-sponsored institution of higher learning,]  
7 political subdivision or governmental entity that has elected to join the plan and has been accepted  
8 by the board;

9 [(17)] (18) "Plan year", a twelve-month period designated by the board which is used to  
10 calculate the annual rate categories and the appropriate coverage;

11 [(18)] (19) "Provider", a physician, hospital, pharmacist, psychologist, chiropractic  
12 physician or other licensed practitioner who or which provides health care services within the  
13 respective scope of practice of such practitioner pursuant to state law and regulation;

14 [(19)] (20) "Retiree", a person who is not an employee and is receiving or is entitled to  
15 receive an annuity benefit from a state-sponsored retirement system or a retirement system of a  
16 participating member agency of the plan or becomes eligible for retirement benefits because of  
17 service with a participating member agency.

18 103.079. 1. The health care programs sponsored by the departments of transportation and  
19 conservation shall become a part of this plan only upon request to and acceptance by the board of  
20 trustees by the highways and transportation commission or the conservation commission and any  
21 such transfer into this plan shall be deemed reviewable by such department every three years. Such  
22 department may withdraw from the plan upon approval by such department's commission and by  
23 providing the board a minimum of six months' notice prior to the end of the then current plan year  
24 and termination of coverage will become effective at the end of the then current plan year. For any  
25 of the foregoing state agencies choosing to participate, the plan shall not assume responsibility for  
26 any liabilities incurred by the agency or its eligible employees, retirees, or dependents prior to its  
27 effective date.

28 2. Any participating higher education entity may, by its own election, become part of this  
29 plan. The board of trustees shall accept the participating higher education entity. The board of  
30 trustees may request the participating higher education entity pay a first year adjustment if the  
31 population being brought into the plan is actuarially substantial and materially different than the  
32 current population in the state plan. Once a participating higher education entity comes into the  
33 plan, it may not leave the plan for a period of five years. Such participating higher education entity  
34 may withdraw from the plan upon approval by such participating higher education entity governing  
35 board and by providing the board a minimum of six month's notice prior to the end of the then  
36 current plan year and termination of coverage will become effective at the end of the then current  
37 plan year. For any of the foregoing participating higher education entities choosing to participate,  
38 the plan shall not assume responsibility for any liabilities incurred by the participating higher  
39 education entity or its eligible employees, retirees, or dependents prior to its effective date."; and

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