

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2368

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGAUGH.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To repeal sections 59.021 and 59.100, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to county recorders of deeds.

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

Section A. Sections 59.021 and 59.100, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 59.021 and 59.100, to read as follows:

59.021. A candidate for county recorder where the offices of the clerk of the court and recorder of deeds are separate, except in any city not within a county or any county having a charter form of government, shall be at least twenty-one years of age, a registered voter, and a resident of the state of Missouri as well as the county in which he or she is a candidate for at least one year prior to the date of the general election. Upon election to office, the person shall continue to reside in that county during his or her tenure in office. **Each candidate for county recorder shall provide to the election authority a copy of an affidavit from a surety company authorized to do business in this state that indicates the candidate is able to satisfy the bond requirements under section 59.100.**

59.100. Every recorder elected as provided in section 59.020, before entering upon the duties of the office as recorder, shall enter into bond to the state, in a sum set by the county commission [~~of not less than one thousand dollars~~], with sufficient sureties, not less than two, to be approved by the commission, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties enjoined on such person by law as recorder, and for the delivering up of the records, books, papers, writings, seals, furniture and apparatus belonging to the office, whole, safe and undefaced, to such officer's successor. **For a recorder elected before January 1, 2021, 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.

8 **bond shall be no less than one thousand dollars. For a recorder elected after December 31,**  
9 **2020, the bond shall be no less than five thousand dollars.**

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