SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2339

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MOON.

AN ACT

To repeal section 536.037, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to state enforcement of federal regulations.

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

Section A. Section 536.037, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 1.360 and 536.037, to read as follows:

1.360. 1. To ensure that the powers reserved to this state under Amendment X of the Constitution of the United States are protected and to ensure that the federal government does not encroach on this state’s status as an independent sovereign in a federal system of governance, all federal rules and regulations shall be subject to review.

2. No department or agency of this state shall enforce any rule or regulation promulgated by any federal agency within the borders of this state unless the enforcement of such regulation is approved by the general assembly.

3. No rule or regulation promulgated on or after August 28, 2020, by any department or agency of this state in conjunction with the enforcement of any regulation promulgated by any federal agency shall be enforceable unless such rule or regulation is approved by the general assembly.

4. Any existing rule or regulation promulgated before August 28, 2020, by any department or agency of this state in conjunction with the enforcement of any rule or regulation promulgated by any federal agency that is in force and effect after August 28, 2020, shall be subject to review by the committee on administrative rules, established under section 536.037. The committee shall determine whether such rule or regulation shall continue to be enforced and shall make a recommendation thereof to the general assembly.

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.
The general assembly shall review all rules and regulations referred to it by the committee and shall approve or disapprove the continued enforcement of such rules or regulations. No rule or regulation that the general assembly disapproves shall be enforceable unless and until the rule or regulation is again referred to the general assembly by the committee of administrative rules and then approved by the general assembly. Any rule or regulation that the general assembly approves shall continue to be enforced unless such rule or regulation is repealed by the agency or department.

536.037. 1. There is established a permanent joint committee of the general assembly to be known as the "Committee on Administrative Rules", which shall be composed of five members of the senate and five members of the house of representatives. The senate members of the committee shall be appointed by the president pro tem of the senate and the house members by the speaker of the house. The appointment of each member shall continue during his term of office as a member of the general assembly unless sooner removed. No major party shall be represented by more than three appointed members from either house.

2. The committee on administrative rules shall meet within ten days after its creation and organize by selecting a chairman and a vice chairman, one of whom shall be a member of the senate and one of whom shall be a member of the house of representatives. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum. Meetings of the committee may be called at such time and place as the chairman designates.

3. The committee shall review all rules promulgated by any state agency after January 1, 1976, except rules promulgated by the labor and industrial labor relations commission. In its review the committee may take such action as it deems necessary which may include holding hearings.

4. The committee shall review all rules and regulations promulgated before August 28, 2020, by any federal agency or by any state agency in conjunction with the enforcement of any rule or regulation promulgated by any federal agency that are in force and effect on August 28, 2020, and determine whether such rules and regulations should continue to be enforced under section 1.360. In its review the committee may take such action as it deems necessary, which may include holding hearings. The committee shall refer all reviewed rules and regulations to the general assembly with a recommendation of whether such rule or regulation should be enforceable. Any citizen of this state may request the review of any specific rule or regulation, and the committee shall review such rule or regulation.

5. The members of the committee shall receive no compensation in addition to their salary as members of the general assembly, but may receive their necessary expenses while attending the meetings of the committee, to be paid out of the joint contingent fund.