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101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE TATE.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to video recordings made during the transportation of students.

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

Section A. Chapter 160, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 160.578, to read as follows:

160.578. 1. Each school district, including each charter school, shall install and maintain camera systems on all school buses operated by the district or school and ensure that camera systems are installed and maintained on any buses or other modes of transportation provided by an operator with which the district or school has contracted to provide transportation services for its students.

2. The camera systems required under subsection 1 of this section shall provide full video coverage of each bus or other mode of transportation and automatically record while the bus or other mode of transportation is in use for a school function. The video recording made by the camera systems for each instance in which a bus or other mode of transportation is used for a school function shall be automatically saved and accessible to school administrators for at least sixty days after the date of such recording. The camera systems shall also allow any school administrator to save any recording for a particular school day for any period beyond sixty days. If an incident is reported or an action is taken in response to an incident that was recorded, the video recording of the incident shall be saved and maintained for one year.

3. If a school district or charter school has contracted to provide transportation services for its students, the operator with which the district or school has contracted shall

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 be responsible for saving and maintaining the video recordings for at least sixty days in
19 accordance with subsection 2 of this section. If an incident is reported or an action is taken
20 in response to an incident that was recorded, the operator with which the district or school
21 has contracted shall provide a copy of the video recording of the incident to the district or
22 school, and both the operator and the district or school shall save and maintain the video
23 recording for one year. Any incident reports shall be directed to the district or school
24 rather than the operator.

25 4. Access to the video recordings shall be limited in a manner consistent with state
26 and federal law and as provided for by rule of the department of elementary and
27 secondary education.

28 5. Regular review of the video recordings made by the camera systems shall not be
29 required, but review shall occur upon request or as otherwise required by law.

30 6. The department of elementary and secondary education shall promulgate rules
31 to implement the provisions of this section including, but not limited to, the procedures and
32 requirements related to requests for review of video recordings. Any rule or portion of a
33 rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority
34 delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all
35 of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and
36 chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly
37 pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul
38 a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and
39 any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2021, shall be invalid and void.

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