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HOUSE BILL NO. 1466

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BERRY.

D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 67, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to data storage centers.

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

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Section A. Chapter 67, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 67.2050, to read as follows: 67.2050. 1. As used in this section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following terms mean: 2 3 (1) "Facility", a location composed of real estate, buildings, fixtures, machinery, and equipment; 4 5 (2) "Municipality", any county, city, incorporated town, or village of the state; (3) "NAICS", the 2007 edition of the North American Industry Classification 6 7 System developed under the direction and guidance of the federal Office of Management and Budget. Any NAICS sector, subsector, industry group, or industry identified in this 8 9 section shall include its corresponding classification in previous and subsequent federal 10 industry classification systems; 11 (4) "Technology business facility", a facility purchased, constructed, extended, or 12 improved under this section, provided that such business facility is engaged in: 13 (a) Wired telecommunications carriers (NAICS 517110); 14 (b) Data processing, hosting, and related services (NAICS 518210); or 15 (c) Internet publishing and broadcasting and web search portals (NAICS 519130) 16 at the business facility; 17 (5) "Technology business facility project" or "project", the purchase, construction, 18 extension, or improvement of technology business facilities, whether of the facility as a EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended

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19 whole or of any one or more of the facility's components of real estate, buildings, fixtures,

20 machinery, or equipment.

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2. The governing body of any municipality may:

(1) Carry out technology business facility projects for economic development under
 this section;

(2) Accept grants from the federal and state governments for technology business
facility project purposes and may enter into such agreements as are not contrary to the
laws of this state, which may be required as a condition of grants by the federal
government or its agencies; and

(3) Receive gifts and donations from private sources to be used for technology
 business facility project purposes.

30 3. The governing body of the municipality may enter into loan agreements and may 31 sell, lease, or mortgage to private persons, partnerships, or corporations any one or more 32 of the components of a facility received, purchased, constructed, or extended by the 33 municipality for development of a technology business facility project. The loan 34 agreement, installment sale agreement, lease, or other such document shall contain such 35 other terms as are agreed upon between the municipality and the obligor, provided that such terms shall be consistent with this section. If, in the judgment of the governing body 36 37 of the municipality, the technology business facility project will result in economic benefits 38 to the municipality, the governing body may lawfully enter into an agreement that includes 39 nominal monetary consideration to the municipality in exchange for the use of one or more 40 components of the facility.

41 4. Transactions involving the lease or rental of any components of a project under 42 this section shall be specifically exempted from the provisions of the local sales tax law as 43 defined under sections 32.085, 144.010 to 144.525, 144.600 to 144.761, and 238.235 and 44 exempted from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under the local sales 45 tax law as defined under sections 32.085, 144.010 to 144.525, 144.600 to 144.746, and 46 238.235.

47 5. Leasehold interests granted and held under this section shall not be subject to
48 property taxes.

6. Any payments in lieu of taxes expected to be made by any lessee of the project shall be applied in accordance with this section. The lessee may reimburse the municipality for its actual costs of administering the plan. All amounts paid in excess of such actual costs shall, immediately upon receipt thereof, be disbursed by the municipality's treasurer or other financial officer to each affected taxing entity in proportion to the current ad valorem tax levy of each affected taxing entity.

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55 7. The county assessor shall include the current assessed value of all property 56 within the affected taxing entities in the aggregate valuation of assessed property entered 57 upon the assessor's book and verified under section 137.245, and such value shall be used 58 for the purpose of the debt limitation on local government under article VI, section 26(b) 59 of the Constitution of Missouri.

60 8. The governing body of any municipality may sell or otherwise dispose of the property, buildings, or plants acquired under this section to private persons or 61 corporations for technology business facility project purposes upon approval by the 62 63 governing body. The terms and method of the sale or other disposal shall be established by the governing body so as to reasonably protect the economic well-being of the 64 65 municipality and to promote the development of technology business facility projects. A 66 private person or corporation that initially transfers property to the municipality for the purposes of a technology business facility project and that does not charge a purchase price 67 68 to the municipality shall retain the right, upon request to the municipality, to have the 69 municipality retransfer the donated property to the person or corporation at no cost.

9. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to allow political subdivisions to provide telecommunications services or telecommunications facilities to the extent that they are prohibited from doing so under section 392.410.

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