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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 221, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the use of waist restraints on certain prisoners.

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

Section A. Chapter 221, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 221.525, to read as follows:

221.525. 1. A county or city jail shall not use a waist restraint on a pregnant 2 prisoner during transportation to and from visits to health care providers, court 3 proceedings, or medical appointments and examinations or during labor, delivery, or 4 forty-eight hours postdelivery.

- 2. If a doctor, nurse, or other health care provider treating the pregnant prisoner 6 or the postpartum prisoner within forty-eight hours postdelivery requests that a waist 7 restraint not be used, the sheriff or jailer accompanying such prisoner shall immediately 8 remove the waist restraint.
- 3. If a sheriff or jailer determines that extraordinary circumstances exist and 10 that a waist restraint is necessary, the sheriff or jailer shall fully document in writing 11 within forty-eight hours of the incident the reasons he or she determined the waist 12 restraint was necessary. Such document shall be kept on file by the county or city jail 13 for at least five years from the date the waist restraint was used.