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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 513.653, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to independent audits of certain federal seizures by law enforcement agencies that use the federal forfeiture system, with penalty provisions in existing language.

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

Section A. Section 513.653, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 513.653, to read as follows:

513.653. 1. Law enforcement agencies involved in using the federal 2 forfeiture system under federal law shall be required at the end of their 3 respective fiscal year to acquire an independent audit of the federal seizures

4 [and] when the proceeds received therefrom exceed five hundred thousand 5 dollars and provide this audit to their respective governing body and to the

6 department of public safety. A copy of such audit shall be provided to the state

7 auditor's office. This audit shall be paid for out of the proceeds of such federal

8 forfeitures. The department of public safety shall not issue funds to any law

9 enforcement agency that fails to comply with the provisions of this section.

10 2. Intentional or knowing failure to comply with the audit requirement

11 contained in this section shall be a class A misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of

12 up to one thousand dollars.

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