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SENATE BILL NO. 861

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 21, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to effects on Missouri in the event of a sudden breakdown in the authority of the federal government, with an emergency clause.

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

Section A. Chapter 21, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 21.802, to read as follows:

21.802. 1. The "Task Force on Government Continuity" is hereby established consisting of the following members:

(1) Two senators appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate;

(2) Two representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(3) The director of the department of homeland security or designee thereof;

(4) The attorney general or designee thereof;

(5) The adjutant general or designee thereof; and

(6) The director of the department of agriculture or designee thereof.

2. The task force shall be charged with studying the potential impacts on Missouri from, and preparation of the government and the citizens of Missouri for, a potential disruption of the United States federal government including, but not limited to:

(1) Potential effects of the rapid decline of the United States dollar and the ability to quickly provide an alternative currency;

(2) Potential effects of a situation in which the federal government has no effective power or authority over the people of the

21 **United States;**

22 **(3) Potential effects of a constitutional crisis;**

23 **(4) Coordination between the governor's office, Missouri national**
24 **guard and any federal military in Missouri;**

25 **(5) Potential effects of a disruption in food distribution; and**

26 **(6) Potential effects of a disruption in energy distribution.**

27 **3. The task force shall submit a report containing**
28 **recommendations with respect to the issues specified in subsection 2**
29 **of this section to the governor and the general assembly by December**
30 **1, 2012.**

31 **4. The members of the task force shall serve without**
32 **compensation but may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses**
33 **actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties by**
34 **the office of administration.**

Section B. Because of the need to prepare for the effects on Missouri in
2 the event of a sudden breakdown in the authority of the federal government,
3 section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the
4 public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby declared to be an
5 emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and section A of this act
6 shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

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