SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 893

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BECK.

ANACT

To repeal section 290.502, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the minimum wage rate.

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

Section A. Section 290.502, RSMo, is repealed and one new

ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

- 2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 290.502,
- 3 to read as follows:
 - 290.502. 1. Except as may be otherwise provided
- 2 pursuant to sections 290.500 to 290.530, effective January
- 3 1, 2007, every employer shall pay to each employee wages at
- 4 the rate of \$6.50 per hour, or wages at the same rate or
- 5 rates set under the provisions of federal law as the
- 6 prevailing federal minimum wage applicable to those covered
- 7 jobs in interstate commerce, whichever rate per hour is
- 8 higher.

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- 9 2. The minimum wage shall be increased or decreased on
- 10 January 1, 2008, and on January 1 of successive years, by
- 11 the increase or decrease in the cost of living. On
- 12 September 30, 2007, and on each September 30 of each
- 13 successive year, the director shall measure the increase or
- 14 decrease in the cost of living by the percentage increase or
- 15 decrease as of the preceding July over the level as of July
- 16 of the immediately preceding year of the Consumer Price
- 17 Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) or
- 18 successor index as published by the U.S. Department of Labor

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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19 or its successor agency, with the amount of the minimum wage 20 increase or decrease rounded to the nearest five cents. 21 3. Except as may be otherwise provided pursuant to sections 290.500 to 290.530, and notwithstanding subsection 22 1 of this section, effective January 1, 2019, every employer 23 24 shall pay to each employee wages at the rate of not less than \$8.60 per hour, or wages at the same rate or rates set 25 under the provisions of federal law as the prevailing 26 federal minimum wage applicable to those covered jobs in 27 28 interstate commerce, whichever rate per hour is higher. Thereafter, the minimum wage established by this subsection 29 shall be increased each year by \$.85 per hour, effective 30 31 January 1 of each of the next four years, until it reaches \$12.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2023. Thereafter, the 32 minimum wage established by this subsection shall be 33 34 increased by one dollar per hour, effective January 1 of 35 each of the succeeding three years, until it reaches fifteen dollars per hour, effective January 1, 2026. 36 Thereafter, the minimum wage rate established by this subsection shall 37 be increased or decreased on January 1, [2024] 2027, and on 38 39 January 1 of successive years, per the method set forth in 40 subsection 2 of this section. If at any time the federal minimum wage rate is above or is thereafter increased above 41 42 the minimum wage then in effect under this subsection, the minimum wage required by this subsection shall continue to 43 44 be increased pursuant to this subsection, but the higher 45 federal rate shall immediately become the minimum wage required by this subsection and shall be increased or 46 decreased per the method set forth in subsection 2 for so 47 long as it remains higher than the state minimum wage 48

required and increased pursuant to this subsection.

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4. For purposes of this section, the term "public 50 employer" means an employer that is the state or a political 51 subdivision of the state, including a department, agency, 52 officer, bureau, division, board, commission, or 53 instrumentality of the state, or a city, county, town, 54 55 village, school district, or other political subdivision of the state. Subsection 3 of this section shall not apply to 56 a public employer with respect to its employees. Any public 57 58 employer that is subject to subsections 1 and 2 of this section shall continue to be subject to those subsections. 59

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