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AN ACT

To amend chapters 565 and 569, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to school or recreation athletic contest offenses, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Chapters 565 and 569, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be known as sections 565.093 and 569.154, to read as follows:

565.093. 1. As used in this section, the following terms and phrases mean:

- 2 (1) "Harassment", verbal or nonverbal behavior by a person that would cause a reasonable person to be placed in fear of receiving bodily harm;
 - (2) "Recreation athletic contest official", any referee, umpire, coach, instructor, administrator, staff person, or recreation employee of any public or quasi-public recreation program;
 - (3) "School athletic contest official", any referee, umpire, coach, instructor, administrator, staff person, or school or school board employee of any public or private elementary or secondary school.
 - 2. A person commits the offense of harassment of a school or recreation athletic contest official if the harassment occurs under the following circumstances:
 - (1) While the school or recreation athletic contest official is actively engaged in the conducting, supervising, refereeing, or officiating of a school-sanctioned interscholastic athletic contest or a sanctioned recreation athletic contest; or
- 15 (2) In the immediate vicinity of a school-sanctioned interscholastic athletic contest 16 or a sanctioned recreation athletic contest and is based on the official's performance in the

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conducting, supervising, refereeing, or officiating of a school-sanctioned interscholastic athletic contest or a sanctioned recreation athletic contest.

- 3. A person who commits the offense of harassment of a school or recreation athletic contest official shall be fined no more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for no more than ninety days, or both.
 - 4. In addition to any other penalty imposed, the court shall order the person:
 - (1) To perform forty hours of court-approved community service work; and
- (2) To participate in a court-approved counseling program that may include anger management, abusive behavior intervention groups, or any other type of counseling deemed appropriate by the court. Any costs associated with the counseling program shall be paid by such person.
- 5. Participation in the community service and counseling program required under subsection 4 of this section shall not be suspended.
 - 569.154. 1. A person commits the offense of entry or remaining on site of a school or recreation athletic contest if such person, without authority, goes into or upon or remains in or upon, or attempts to go into or upon or remain in or upon, any immovable property or other site or location that belongs to another and that is used for any school or recreation athletic contest, including any area in the immediate vicinity of the site or location of the school or recreation athletic contest, after having been forbidden to do so, either orally or in writing, by any owner, lessee, or custodian of the property or by any other authorized person.
 - 2. A person who violates subsection 1 of this section shall be fined no more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for no more than six months, or both.

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