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HOUSE BILL NO. 320

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BARNES.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 494.425, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to jury service by persons of a certain age.

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

Section A. Section 494.425, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 494.425, to read as follows:

494.425. The following persons shall be disqualified from serving as a petit or grand juror:

- 3 (1) Any person who is less than [twenty-one] eighteen years of age;
- 4 (2) Any person not a citizen of the United States;
- 5 (3) Any person not a resident of the county or city not within a county served by the 6 court issuing the summons;
- 7 (4) Any person who has been convicted of a felony, unless such person has been restored 8 to his civil rights;
- 9 (5) Any person unable to read, speak and understand the English language, unless such person's inability is due to a vision or hearing impairment which can be adequately compensated for through the use of auxiliary aids or services;
 - (6) Any person on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States or any member of the organized militia on active duty under order of the governor;
 - (7) Any judge of a court of record;
- 15 (8) Any person who, in the judgment of the court, is incapable of performing the duties 16 of a juror because of mental or physical illness or infirmity. The juror or the juror's personal 17 representative, may provide the court with documentation from a physician licensed to practice

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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18 medicine verifying that a mental or physical condition renders the person unfit for jury service

19 for a period of up to twenty-four months.

