



GOVERNOR OF MISSOURI

JEFFERSON CITY

65102

ERIC R. GREITENS  
GOVERNOR

P.O. Box 720  
(573) 751-3222

June 30, 2017

TO THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
99th GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

Herewith I return to you Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 6 entitled:

AN ACT

To appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Conservation, and the several divisions and programs thereof and for the expenses, grants, refunds, distributions, and capital improvements projects involving the repair, replacement, and maintenance of state buildings and facilities of the Department of Natural Resources and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds, for the period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018; provided the Department of Natural Resources notify members of the General Assembly, in writing, about pending land purchases sixty (60) days prior to the close of sale; and further provided that the Department of Natural Resources not implement or enforce any portion of a federal proposed rule finalized after January 1, 2015, to revise or provide guidance on the regulatory definition of "waters of the United States" or "navigable waters" under the federal Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. Section 1251 et seq., without the approval of the General Assembly; and further provided the Department of Natural Resources not implement or enforce any portion of the federal Environmental Protection Agency's "Carbon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units," 80 Fed. Reg. 64,662 (October 23, 2015).

Section 6.340

I hereby veto \$2,659,260 for the State Environmental Improvement Authority Fund (SEIA). Section 6.340 brings the operations of the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority (EI ERA) onto the state budget. Section 260.035, RSMo, grants the EI ERA, not the legislative branch, broad and specific powers to carry out the statutory duties assigned to the Authority. In addition, a majority of the resources in the SEIA Fund are the proceeds from EI ERA bond sales, for which the state has no liability (Section 260.065, RSMo), and should not be considered state resources located in the state treasury. The Supreme Court of Missouri has already rejected the claim that revenues collected by the Authority are to be deposited in the state treasury and appropriated therefrom. *State ex inf. Danforth v. State Env'tl. Improvement Auth.*, 518 S.W.2d 68 (Mo. banc 1975).

Personal Service by \$496,260 from \$496,260 to \$0.

Expense and Equipment by \$2,163,000 from \$2,163,001 to \$1.

From \$2,659,261 to \$1 in total from State Environmental Improvement Authority Fund.

From \$2,659,261 to \$1 in total for the section.

On June 30, 2017, I approved said Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 6, except for those items specifically vetoed and not approved.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several sweeping, interconnected loops and lines, positioned above the printed name and title.

Eric R. Greitens  
Governor