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MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' CHIEF CLERK 101st GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST REGULAR SESSION

Herewith I return to you Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 11 entitled:

AN ACT

To appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Social Services 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, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022.

Section 11.005

I hereby veto \$100,799 general revenue for a salary adjustment for the Department Director. This increase was not part of my budget recommendations and undermines the Executive's constitutional authority to appoint and compensate department directors.

In addition, I hereby veto the language "provided the director is confirmed by the Senate to hold the office." This change was not part of my budget recommendations and undermines the Executive's constitutional authority to appoint and compensate department directors.

For the department director.

Annual salary adjustment in accordance with Section 105.005, RSMo. by \$100,799 from \$102,931 to \$2,132 from General Revenue Fund. From \$208,282 to \$107,483 in total from General Revenue Fund.

From \$294,745 to \$193,946 in total for the section.

Section 11.006

I hereby veto \$668,558, including \$223,656 general revenue for the purpose of funding performance incentives for high-achieving department employees. Alternative performance-based incentive structures are being analyzed in an effort to maximize this targeted investment in recruiting and retaining state employees.

Said section is vetoed in its entirety.
From \$223,656 to \$0 from general revenue.
From \$444,902 to \$0 from federal and other funds.
From \$668,558 to \$0 in total for the section.

Section 11.305

I hereby veto \$2,110,111, including \$1,004,385 general revenue, for a three percent pay increase for Children's Division case workers and supervisors. In order to ensure equity across departments and divisions, specialized pay plans should be part of a comprehensive pay evaluation.

For the Children's Division field staff and operations.

Personal Service by \$1,004,385 from \$38,950,851 to \$37,946,466 from General Revenue Fund. From \$41,484,288 to \$40,479,903 in total from General Revenue Fund.

Personal Service by \$338,506 from \$12,972,373 to \$12,633,867 from Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Federal Fund.

From \$14,728,735 to \$14,390,229 in total from Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Federal Fund.

Personal Service by \$766,103 from \$29,715,512 to \$28,949,409 from Department of Social Services Federal Fund.

From \$32,750,880 to \$31,984,777 in total from Department of Social Services Federal Fund.

Personal Service by \$1,117 from \$77,997 to \$76,880 from the Health Initiatives Fund. From \$109,590 to \$108,473 in total from Health Initiatives Fund.

From \$91,857,943 to \$89,747,832 in total for the section.

Section 11.705

I hereby veto \$1,000,000 general revenue for expansion of the Missouri Rx Plan. Currently, the Missouri Rx Plan only provides services to dual participants who are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare. This funding was not part of my budget recommendations and is not sufficient for the Missouri Rx Plan to account for all non-dual eligible individuals without significant additional funding.

By \$1,000,000 from \$4,765,778 to \$3,765,778 from General Revenue Fund. From \$7,554,552 to \$6,554,552 in total for the section.

Section 11.765

I hereby veto \$50,000,000 FMAP Enhancement Fund for distribution to Missouri hospitals that demonstrate losses due to the change in payment methodology from a percentage of billed charges to an outpatient simplified fee schedule. This funding increase is contrary to the Medicaid reforms included as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 budget.

For distribution to hospitals. By \$50,000,000 from \$50,000,000 to \$0 from FMAP Enhancement Fund. From \$665,344,059 to \$615,344,059 in total for the section.

On June 30, 2021 I approved said Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 11, except for those items specifically vetoed and not approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Governor