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STATE OF MISSOURI

June 30, 2022

TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI  
101st GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SECOND 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. 3008 entitled:

AN ACT

To appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Public Safety 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, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

Section 8.005

I hereby veto \$500,000 general revenue for a communication platform for active duty National Guardsmen, first responders and veterans to receive direct access to chaplains and provide suicide prevention information and resources. The Fiscal Year 2023 budget invests nearly \$30 million in 988 mental health hotline infrastructure to assist citizens statewide experiencing a mental health emergency. The General Assembly also included \$1 million to market the 988 program of which my administration will use to target national guardsmen, veterans, first responders, and members of our armed forces. Further, the National Guard also has an existing phone application which includes a suicide hotline component. This program would be duplicative of those investments.

For a communication platform for National Guardsmen, first responders, and veterans.

From \$500,000 to \$0 from General Revenue Fund.

From \$62,907,748 to \$57,907,748 in total for the section.

Section 8.216

I hereby veto \$500,000 Compulsive Gamblers Fund for the coordination of a statewide plan to address problem gambling. This program was established to help provide funding for gaming addiction resulting from the passage of sports betting, proposed in both House Bill 2502 & House Bill 2556 (2022). The General Assembly failed to pass House Bill 2502 & House Bill 2556 (2022) where the parameters for this program were established, including providing additional recovery services from additional state revenues that would have been generated. As a result of the legislation not passing the General Assembly, no additional funds would be available for this service expansion.

Said section is vetoed in its entirety.

Personal Service from \$80,000 to \$0 from Compulsive Gamblers Fund.

Expense and Equipment from \$420,000 to \$0 from Compulsive Gamblers Fund.

From \$500,000 to \$0 in total for the section.

Section 8.260

I hereby veto \$500,000 Gaming Commission Fund for transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Fund. This program was established to help provide funding for gaming addiction resulting from the passage of sports betting, proposed in both House Bill 2502 & House Bill 2556 (2022). The General Assembly failed to pass House Bill 2502 & House Bill 2556 (2022) where the parameters for this program were established, including providing additional recovery services from additional state revenues that would have been generated. As a result of the legislation not passing the General Assembly, no additional funds would be available for this service expansion.

For funds to be transferred out of the State Treasury to the Compulsive Gamblers Fund.

By \$500,000 from \$694,181 to \$194,181 Gaming Commission Fund.

From \$694,181 to \$194,181 for the section.

On June 30, 2022 I approved said Conference Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute House Bill No. 3008, except for those items specifically vetoed and not approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael L. Parson".

Michael L. Parson  
Governor