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As Director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services ("Department"), pursuant to Executive Orders 20-02 and 20-04, I am vested with the authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory requirement or administrative rule, upon approval of the Office of the Governor. After consultation with and receiving approval from the Office of the Governor, I am hereby waiving the following laws in order to assist the state, and its citizens prepare and respond to COVID-19 until May 15, 2020, unless otherwise modified by the Department.

Closure or Restrictions on Businesses Relating to Food Supply

19 CSR 20-20.040 and 19 CSR 20-20.050 shall be waived to the extent necessary to remove the authority of a local health authority from closing or restricting the operations of a business which is a part of the food supply, whether that be agricultural production, manufacturing, distribution, or sale of food. This waiver shall not limit the authority of a local health authority from closing or restricting the operations of a retail food establishment.

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