

EXECUTIVE ORDER

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WHEREAS, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is authorized pursuant to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution and created pursuant to Chapter 161.020, RSMo; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is created pursuant to Article IV, Section 37 of the Missouri Constitution and Chapter 660.010, RSMo; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Senior Services is created pursuant to Chapter 192.005, RSMo; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education currently provides personal attendant care to individuals with severe physical disabilities to enable them to live more independently through the Personal Assistance Services Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services currently provides access to health care for low-income elderly and disabled individuals through the Medicaid Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Senior Services provides support services to help seniors and adults with disabilities maintain their independence and safety; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of in-home care programs and services to one state department would better serve the state's elderly and disabled clients; and

WHEREAS, consolidation of these services would increase efficiencies and eliminate duplication of efforts; and

WHEREAS, I am committed to integrating executive branch operations to improve the way the state delivers services.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Matt Blunt, Governor of the State of Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri, including Article IV, Section 12, Missouri Constitution, Chapter 26, RSMo, and the Omnibus State Reorganization Act of 1974, hereby order the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Missouri Department of Social Services, and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services to cooperate to:

1. Develop mechanisms and processes necessary to effectively transfer in-home services programs that serve the elderly and disabled individuals to the Department of Health and Senior Services;
2. Transfer all authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, contracts, budgets, matters pending, and other pertinent vestiges of the in-home services programs to the Department of Health and Senior Services, by Type I transfer, as defined under the Reorganization Act of 1974; and
3. Take the steps necessary to maintain compliance with federal requirements, so as not to jeopardize federal financial participation with this consolidation.

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**SECRETARY OF STATE
COMMISSIONS DIVISION**



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 3rd day of February, 2005.

Matt Blunt
Governor

ATTEST:

Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State