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Governor Parson has signed for a Cottage Law revision, also known as House Bill 1697, which becomes effective August 28, 2022. This legislation removes the annual gross income $50,000 cap for cottage product sales and allows sales of products that fall under the Cottage Law to be sold over the internet. There is a limitation for internet sales in that the Cottage Food Production Operation and the purchaser must both be located in Missouri. It will be up to the Cottage Food Production Operator to ensure that they are selling directly to a consumer located in Missouri. Cottage Law products are not allowed to be sold across state lines without inspection and/or FDA approval. Cottage Law products are still to be sold directly to the end consumer.

More information can be found here:
https://house.mo.gov/billtracking/bills221/hlrbillspdf/3826H.01T.pdf

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