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**SEN. JOHN GRIESHEIMER SPONSORS  
GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT OF SHARON ROBINSON**

JEFFERSON CITY -- Sen. John Griesheimer, R-Washington, has successfully sponsored the appointment of Sharon Robinson, Union, to the Workers' Compensation Determination Review Board.

Robinson, who is self-employed, has served as the general manager of Robinson Concepts Inc., Union, since 1987, as president of the Cornerstone Builders Group Inc., since 1995 and is a managing member of Robinson Properties LLC, since 1999. Her professional memberships include the Independent Electrical Contractors, both at state and national level, and Missouri Merchants and Manufacturers Association.

"As a business owner, Sharon has worked with the workers' comp regulations," said Griesheimer. "Her first-hand knowledge will be valuable to the committee."

The Workers' Compensation Determination Review Board, which meets four times a year, oversees all aspects of Missouri workers' compensation regulations including reviewing interpretations, calculations of an individual employers' modification factor, and any other related uniform rule interpretations not addressed by department rule or regulation. The board reviews code classification of individual self-insured employers and self-insured employers in group insurance arrangements. The board recommends changes to the uniform classification system.

The governor makes appointments to state boards and commissions with the advice and consent of the Senate.

The Senate Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments usually meets weekly during the legislative session. Their sponsoring senator presents each appointee to the committee.

Once the committee has approved appointments, the chairman reports on the committee's action to the floor for consideration by the full Senate.

Appointees must be approved by the committee and confirmed by the full Senate before taking the position on the board or the committee.