



Senator Bill Stouffer
Joint Interim Committee on MO Health Care
Stabilization Fund

September 7, 2005

Tentative Date Set for Next Meeting:
Thursday, September 15th, 8:00 A.M.
STATE CAPITOL, SCR 2 (First Floor)

The next committee meeting will begin the morning of Thursday, September 15th at 8:00 A.M. in SCR 2 on the first floor of the State Capitol. All committee members should be available for the annual veto session. If any committee members will have difficulty attending at this time, please contact the chair's office—we need 100% participation at this meeting.

Information To Be Added Online

Additional information including handouts from the last meeting is being added to the committee's website daily. In addition, contact information for past and future witnesses is also available by calling (573) 751-1507. Please don't forget to view information on the

committee's website at <http://www.senate.mo.gov/05info/comm/interim/jchc.htm> or to sign up for the email distribution list.

Information from Last Meeting

In Springfield we heard from Buck Long, Intermed, who testified against starting a Stabilization Fund in MO based on their work with the KS Fund and knowledge of others throughout the nation. Daniel Landon with the MO Hospital Association also discussed their position on the issue which will also be available online as soon as possible. Finally, the group heard from Tom Holloway to answer questions from the MO Medical Society.

One important theme continues to be brought up by members and witnesses. Mandatory data collection would be an important first step in better understanding the state's med-mal environment and the effectiveness of some form of patient compensation fund.

A future meeting was discussed for the special/ veto session to determine the committee's recommendations. If you have suggestions for witnesses, etc., please contact the chair's office. We are also accepting correspondence from any health-care related association on their position on a Missouri HCSF.

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