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Sen. Barnitz Enjoys Serving the 16th District

JEFFERSON CITY – The legislative session is completed for now and the Capitol halls are once again quiet. I am back to my other life of farming and meetings. I have been catching up with local organizations and individuals and still have several meetings to attend. These are some of the best moments of being your State Senator. I have had the privilege to speak at graduations, rotary club and chamber of commerce meetings, and other events. I have also been able to visit project dedications and memorial services.

Recently I was given the honor of being named to serve on the Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission. This body investigates various issues relating to the presence of the American military here in Missouri.

In the commission's most recent meeting we discussed the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) decision and what that could mean to Missouri. The federal government recently decided to close or consolidate several military bases throughout the United States. There will be a multi-state hearing to allow for states to address the BRAC commission with their concerns. I believe we will also be moving forward to address potential legislation to help our military.

I am happy to be a member of the commission and to help find new ways to support our state's military presence.

Call or e-mail me with your thoughts or concerns. Remember my door is always open. My Capitol office is: Room 425, phone: (573) 751-2108, and e-mail: Frank.Barnitz@senate.mo.gov.

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