## Senator Jason Crowell Successfully Sponsors College Governing Board Member

Al Spradling Joins Southeast Board of Regents

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Jason Crowell, R-Cape Girardeau, today announced unanimous senate confirmation of Albert M. Spradling, the gubernatorial appointee Crowell sponsored for membership to the Southeast Missouri State University Board of Regents, which provides strategic oversight and management of the school's operations.

The heads of many state agencies, commissions and boards are appointed by the governor. Gubernatorial appointees then work with their state senator, who serves as a sponsor in the confirmation process, which begins before the Senate's Gubernatorial Appointments Committee and concludes with a consenting vote by the full Senate.

"Al has an impressive history of educational, financial, military and legal experience that will help Southeast advance its standing as an exceptional university," Crowell said. "I'm thrilled he's agreed to serve and honored to have guided him through the confirmation process."

A Cape Girardeau native, Spradling earned as bachelor's degree in business administration from Southeast and a law degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Honorably discharged from the U.S. Army after a brief term as a bank examiner for the state, Spradling has been with the Cape Girardeau law firm of Spradling, Spradling & Southard for more than 30 years. Spradling's numerous civic roles include terms as councilman and mayor for Cape Girardeau.

