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# Sen. Rob Mayer Announces Senate Committee Approval of Gubernatorial Appointees

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JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. Rob Mayer, R-Dexter, today announced that the Senate Gubernatorial Appointments Committee has approved the nomination of two members of the 25<sup>th</sup> District to state commissions. Dr. Jamie Frakes and Kathie Miller were appointed by Gov. Matt Blunt. A Senate vote will conclude the process.

Dr. Jamie Frakes, of Portageville, received committee approval for the Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Commission.

“Dr. Frakes is a person of the highest character who I believe will work hard to serve all Missourians in this position,” Mayer said. “I’ve known Jamie for quite some time and have the utmost confidence that he will serve diligently and help the commission meet its constitutional and legal charge.”

The seven-member Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Commission, a division of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, promotes hazardous-waste recycling, reuse and reduction; adopts and modifies rules to implement the hazardous waste statutes; holds hearings on rules, complaints and permit appeals; and is empowered to grant variances. Dr. Frakes will be the only commission member from Southeast Missouri and will serve a four-year term on this bipartisan commission.

Kathie Miller, of Dexter, was approved for the State Committee for Social Workers. Miller is the executive director of The Center for Family Resources in Malden. She holds a master’s degree in social work from the University of Illinois and is a member of the National Association of Social Workers.

“Ms. Miller’s credentials display a wealth of expertise in the field of social work,” Mayer said. “Her service in the 25<sup>th</sup> District offers further proof of her capability. She will well serve the state of Missouri on this important committee.”

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The State Committee for Social Workers licenses clinical social workers and baccalaureate social workers and assesses their competence to practice. The committee is also charged with investigating complaints against licensees.

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.



Above: Sen. Rob Mayer (left) and Dr. Jamie Frakes of Portageville (right) in the Senate Lounge on Wednesday, Feb. 22. Below: Sen. Mayer sits with Kathie Miller. JPEGs of the images are attached. If you have trouble with the photos, contact Senate Communications at (573) 751-3824 or [twarren@senate.mo.gov](mailto:twarren@senate.mo.gov).



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*Senator Robert Mayer represents the people of Wayne, Ripley, Butler, Stoddard, New Madrid, Pemiscot and Dunklin counties in the Missouri Senate.*