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Sen. Barnitz Attends the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucus Summit

JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, recently joined fellow legislators and sportsmen from throughout the nation in Branson for the Fourth Annual National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC) Sportsman-Legislator Summit. The gathering of sportsmen legislators and authorities from the conservation community met in order to discuss strategies and legislation in support of hunting, fishing, and trapping.

"I was pleased that Missouri was chosen to host this important event and was thrilled to welcome my fellow sportsmen to our great state," said Sen. Barnitz. "This was a great opportunity to show off the many natural resources here in Missouri as well as discuss the issues important to hunters and fishermen throughout the nation."

Sen. Barnitz and Rep. Charlie Schlottach, R-Owensville, are the co-chairs of the Missouri Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus, a bipartisan legislative organization that supports the rights of hunters and fishermen. State sportsman caucus leadership from throughout the country traveled to Missouri in order to promote the interests of sportsmen and discuss outdoors related legislation. Currently, there are 34 states with recognized caucuses. At the NASC Sportsman-Legislator Summit, 20 states were recognized.

Issues discussed at the event included access to hunting opportunities, increasing the number of youth hunters, and funding for conservation or fish and game departments in other states.

"Missouri showed our dedication to outdoor enthusiasts and the strong economic benefits brought to the state by those enthusiasts," said Sen. Barnitz. "I found that other states are envious of Missouri."

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