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## Senate Confirms Two of Sen. Griesheimer's Gubernatorial Appointments

JEFFERSON CITY— Sen. John Griesheimer, R-Washington, is glad the full Senate has approved two gubernatorial appointees from the 26<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District. Charlene M. Heyde from Glencoe has been named as a member of the state Drug Utilization Review Board, and James G. Wesselschmidt of New Haven to the State Milk Board.

"I couldn't be prouder to sponsor these two fine appointees for these important groups," said Sen. Griesheimer. "Both of their qualifications are top-notch, and I'm happy they have agreed to serve their fellow Missourians."

Heyde has been a pharmacist for 30 years and is currently the pharmacy director for Foundation Care in Earth City. The Drug Utilization Review Board advises the Division of Medical Services and provides educational outreach (both general and patient-specific information) on drug therapy to improve prescribing and dispensing practices for Medicaid recipients. The board, which meets four times a year, is an information sharing panel, not a punitive panel. The group provides information to physicians and pharmacies to assist with the continued evaluation and management of the patient's pharmaceutical requirements.

Wesselschmidt is a lifelong dairy farmer. He is also the director of the Dairy Farmers of America (1996-present) and the Saint Louis District Dairy Council (1998-present). In addition, Wesselschmidt is charter member of the State Johne's Committee and has served on the Midwest Dairy Association. He joins the 12-member State Milk Board that administers Missouri's Grade A and manufacturing grade milk sanitation programs. Milk procurers, manufacturing plants, field superintendents, testers, graders, samplers, bulk milk truck operators and market testing laboratories are licensed by the State Milk Board.

"I appreciate the time and talents these two individuals from the 26<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District will give to the people of Missouri," said Sen. Griesheimer. "I know their work will continue to help the legislature and their respective industries."