



Senator Scott T. Rupp Named to Chair, Vice-Chair Posts on Senate Committees

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Scott T. Rupp, R-Wentzville, was recently appointed by Senate Leader Charlie Shields, R-St. Joseph, to serve on four Senate committees, including as chairman of the Senate’s Small Business, Insurance and Industry Committee and vice-chair of the General Laws Committee.

Senator Rupp previously served on both committees — one of which has undergone a slight name change and the other divided from a previously existing committee. Senator Rupp requested the title of the former Small Business, Insurance and Industrial Relations Committee be changed to refine the committee’s purpose and to make the title more reflective of Missouri’s role in the global economy. Recently, the Pensions, Veterans Affairs and General Laws Committee was divided into two committees — the General Laws Committee and the Veteran’s Affairs, Pensions and Urban Affairs Committee — to redistribute the volume of proposed bills.

Senator Rupp will also once again serve in key roles on the education and appropriations committees. He will serve two-year terms for all committee assignments.

“Sen. Rupp’s experience running his own small business and now helping other businesses grow made him the best choice to chair the Senate Committee on Small Business, Insurance and Industry,” said Senate Leader Charlie Shields. “He has led the Senate on important issues such as cracking down on illegal immigration and I know he will be able to translate that leadership to craft legislation that will promote and enhance Missouri’s small businesses.”

As chairman of the small business committee, Sen. Rupp and committee members will consider bills and matters regarding ownership and operation of small businesses, life, accident, indemnity and other forms of insurance, labor management, fair employment standards, workers’ compensation and employment security, and industrial development.

As vice-chair of the general laws committee, Sen. Rupp and committee members will consider proposed legislation relating to general topics that come before the legislative body.

“I am very pleased to be named to these leadership roles and important committees and will do my best to carefully consider the merits of proposed bills in these areas, plus also weigh the state’s revenue and spending as the General Assembly works to draft the state budget,” Sen. Rupp said.

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