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Senator Scott T. Rupp Named to Joint Interim Committee On Oversight of Federal Stimulus and Stabilization Funds

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Scott T. Rupp, R-Wentzville, was recently appointed to serve on the Joint Interim Committee on Oversight of Federal Stimulus and Stabilization Funds — a committee that was created following the General Assembly's approval of Sen. Rupp's <u>Senate Concurrent Resolution 27</u>.

The newly formed committee will study ways to maximize the amount of federal funds received under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and provide oversight to ensure that the funds are properly spent.

"This committee will serve a very vital function as it examines any of the conditions or stipulations that are attached to the receipt of federal funds, ensures the one-time money is directed properly and spent wisely to benefit Missouri citizens, and determines the proper course of future legislative and budgetary action," Sen. Rupp said.

The committee is composed of three majority party members and two minority party members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tem and three majority party members and two minority party members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House. Other than Sen. Rupp, Senate representatives include Sen. Brad Lager, R-Savannah, Sen. Eric Schmitt, R-Glendale, Sen. Jeff Smith, D-St. Louis, and Sen. Robin Wright-Jones, D-St. Louis. Committee members from the Missouri House of Representatives include Rep. Allen Icet, R-Wildwood, Rep. Sally Faith, R-St. Charles, Rep. Steve Hobbs, R-Mexico, Rep. Chris Kelly, D-Columbia, and Rep. Roman LeBlanc, D-Kansas City.

The committee will function during the legislative interim between the first regular session of the 95th General Assembly through Jan. 15, 2010, of the second regular session of the 95th General Assembly.

Earlier this year, Sen. Rupp was elected chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Oversight of Federal Stimulus.

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