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Legislation Sponsored by Senator Wright-Jones Moves to the House

JEFFERSON CITY – The Missouri Senate recently (2-25) gave final approval to [Senate Bill 179](#), sponsored by Sen. Robin Wright-Jones, D-St. Louis. The bill transfers the title of a particular piece of property in St. Louis from the Missouri Department of Corrections to the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) in order to allow the construction of the New Mississippi River Bridge in St. Louis.

“Passage of this legislation is one more step toward improving the quality of life and creating jobs for residents in St. Louis and East St. Louis,” said Sen. Wright-Jones. “Construction of this bridge will benefit the thousands of citizens that travel back and forth between Missouri and Illinois each day.”

The new bridge is designed to have a 100-year lifespan and carry two lanes in each direction with room to expand to three lanes. The new Mississippi River Bride is expected to carry approximately 40,000 vehicles per day, increasing that daily amount to 55,000 by 2030. For more information on the Mississippi River Bridge project, visit www.newriverbridge.org.

Senate Bill 179 must be approved by the House of Representatives before reaching the governor’s desk for his signature. To follow the actions of this measure, visit www.senate.mo.gov, and type if SB179 (without any spaces) in the bill search field.

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