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Senator John Griesheimer to Receive 2009 Legislative Award Presented by the St. Louis Business Journal

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator John Griesheimer, R-Washington, who played a key role in advancing two of the General Assembly's major economic bills of the 2009 legislative session, has been chosen to receive the 2009 Legislative Award by the *St. Louis Business Journal*.

This is the third time Sen. Griesheimer has been chosen to receive the distinguished honor by the *St. Louis Business Journal*, which recognizes state legislators who have worked throughout the legislative session to help advance the agenda of the St. Louis area.

Senator Griesheimer, chairman of the Senate Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government Committee, worked closely with lawmakers throughout the session to pass legislation aimed at spurring job creation coupled with tax credit reforms (HB 191) and legislation to sustain the state's unemployment insurance fund (HB 1075).



Sen. John Griesheimer

As the Senate handler of both bills, Sen. Griesheimer worked to find a compromise for passing the highly debated jobs bill, which expands the state's successful Quality Jobs Act and caps how many credits in the larger tax credit programs can be awarded annually, including the Historic Preservation Tax Credit. Senator Griesheimer also led the effort to expand financing options for sustaining the state's unemployment trust fund.

"I am deeply honored and extremely grateful to once again be recognized by the *St. Louis Business Journal* for my legislative efforts on behalf of the St. Louis region," Sen. Griesheimer said. "I am also very pleased with the progressive legislation the General Assembly succeeded in passing this year to benefit the citizens and businesses of our state."

Senator Griesheimer represents the 26th Senatorial District in the Missouri Senate, which is made up of parts of Franklin, Warren and West St. Louis counties. He will be recognized by the *St. Louis Business Journal* during an awards ceremony on Friday, June 19, at the Old Post Office, 815 Olive St., in St. Louis.