



Senator David Pearce
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Sen. David Pearce Appointed as Vice-Chair of Education, Member of Appropriations

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator David Pearce (R-Warrensburg) was today appointed by Senate President Pro Tem Charlie Shields (R-St. Joseph) to serve on five Senate committees for the 2009 legislative session, including serving as vice-chair of the Senate Education Committee. Sen. Pearce was also assigned to the Senate Appropriations; Veterans’ Affairs, Pensions and Urban Affairs; Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government; and Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections committees.

“I am honored to be asked to serve in a leadership position on the Education Committee,” Sen. Pearce said. “Improving our schools so we can ensure that every Missouri child receives an excellent education and is able to compete in a global economy is one of my top priorities as a lawmaker.”

The Senate Education Committee considers all bills relating to education in the state, including K–12 and colleges and universities.

Sen. Pearce was also appointed to the Appropriations Committee, an especially important assignment considering the current economic climate. The Appropriations Committee works on all legislation relating to the state budget.

“To be in the position to serve on the Appropriations Committee and to work to craft a fiscally responsible budget for the state is a great opportunity for me, and for the 31st District,” Sen. Pearce said. “We are at an economic crossroads, and Missourians are depending on us to work diligently and make the right choices.”

Sen. Pearce’s other committee descriptions include:

- **Veterans’ Affairs, Pensions and Urban Affairs:** Considers bills involving veterans’ issues, retirement, pensions and all matters relating to urban areas.
- **Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government:** Works with legislation relating to the promotion of economic development, the creation and retention of jobs, community development, tourism and local government.
- **Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections:** Considers legislation

relating to banks and other financial institutions in the state, state agencies and election law.

“Senator Pearce is a valuable addition to the Missouri Senate, and I look forward to working with him in the coming years,” Senate Leader Charlie Shields said. “I know he will rise to meet the challenges that await him in his new committees, and he will look out for the best interests of all Missourians, especially when it comes to his roles on committees to help bring more jobs to Missouri and to make sure state government lives within the taxpayers’ means.”

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