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Senator David Pearce Appointed to Two Joint Committees

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator David Pearce (R-Warrensburg) was recently appointed to serve on the Joint Committee on Terrorism, Bioterrorism and Homeland Security and the Joint Committee on Capital Improvements and Leases Oversight by Senate Leader Charlie Shields (R-St. Joseph).

The Joint Committee on Terrorism, Bioterrorism and Homeland Security consists of seven senators and seven members of the House of Representatives. Members are charged with studying all state government terrorism, bioterrorism and homeland security efforts to determine if any changes are needed in statutory law. The committee is also responsible for issuing recommendations to the General Assembly relating to the security of the state of Missouri.

“While efforts have certainly been ramped up to make Missouri more secure against any threats of terrorism, we must still remain vigilant and continue to analyze our weaker security areas,” Sen. Pearce said. “I believe in a strong defense and taking preventative action to protect our state. I am honored Senator Shields chose me for this committee, and I look forward to working with my colleagues to develop practical solutions to improve Missouri’s security.”

The Joint Committee on Capital Improvements and Leases Oversight is comprised of five members of the Senate Appropriations Committee and five members of the House of Representatives Budget Committee. Committee duties include examining all proposed state-funded capital improvement projects, monitoring new construction of such projects, analyzing the costs, and reporting on capital improvement projects to the General Assembly.

“The capital improvements committee is an important extension of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and I know I will be able to bring my financial experience to the table as we pursue significant projects that will improve the 31st District and the entire state of Missouri,” Sen. Pearce said. “Successful capital improvement projects are crucial in our goal to better public facilities, educational institutions and recreational opportunities.”

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