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## \*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\*

## Missouri Senate Educated Citizenry 2020 Committee to Hear Public Testimony at Meeting in Warrensburg

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator David Pearce, R-Warrensburg, who serves as chairman of the Missouri Senate <u>Educated Citizenry 2020 Committee</u>, has scheduled a committee meeting at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5 at the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg to hear public testimony about the future of education in Missouri. The committee is charged with determining where Missouri should stand in terms of education by the year 2020 and developing long-term strategies to achieve these future goals.

The public testimony will focus on answering specific questions, such as what it will mean to be an educated citizen in the year 2020, what employers will require from their employees by the year 2020, what principles will anchor the state's decisions about education, and how to best balance the needs of Missouri students.

Also serving on the committee is Sen. Jane Cunningham (R-Chesterfield), Sen. Kurt Schaefer (R-Columbia), Sen. Wes Shoemyer (D-Clarence) and Sen. Robin Wright-Jones (D-St. Louis).

WHO: Sen. David Pearce, R-Warrensburg; Missouri Senate Educated Citizenry 2020 Committee members.

WHAT: Missouri Senate Educated Citizenry 2020 Committee Meeting.

WHERE: University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, James C. Kirkpatrick Library, 601 South

Missouri, Room 1260.

WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 5 at 1 p.m.

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