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Senator Scott T. Rupp Recently Appointed to Serve on Joint Interim Committee

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Scott T. Rupp (R-Wentzville) was recently appointed to serve on the [Joint Interim Committee on Reducing the Size of State Government](#). The committee was created during the 2010 legislative session through a resolution that received overwhelming support in the Senate.

“During these difficult economic times, we must do all we can to prepare our state for tough decisions in order to maintain a balanced budget,” said Sen. Rupp. “I am honored to be selected to serve on this committee, which will examine unnecessary programs and inefficient allocations of funds within our state’s government.”

More specifically, the committee is charged with examining each state department and agency within each department to determine programs or bureaucracies that should be eliminated or reduced. In addition, the committee will develop recommendations, strategies, and plans to reduce the size of Missouri’s government, address budget shortfalls, and examine other areas that are vital to reducing the size of state government.

Fourteen members of the General Assembly have been selected by the Senate President Pro Tem and the Speaker of the House to serve on the committee. Senators sitting on the committee along with Sen. Rupp include Sen. Chuck Purgason of Caulfield, Sen. Jack Goodman of Mt. Vernon, Sen. Jason Crowell of Cape Girardeau, Sen. Joan Bray of St. Louis, Sen. Timothy Green of St. Louis, and Sen. Yvonne Wilson of Kansas City.

The committee must report its recommendations to the Senate Appropriations Committee and House Budget Committee by Dec. 31, 2010.

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