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2010 Legislative Report On The Way

I have just put the finishing touches on my 2010 Legislative Report, and looking back on my first full legislative session, I am proud to say that we certainly made progress.

The state budget was the biggest issue this session, and despite some historic shortfalls and difficult decisions, I believe we did the best we could with what we had to work with. Next year will be an even bigger challenge, because even with some bright spots and optimism, the revenue picture still appears grim. This year's experience will be beneficial to me as we continue to deal with the budget crisis in the future. My newsletter breaks down the state and federal budget in detail and explains how your tax dollars are spent.

This year's session saw some of my priorities advance, including: local control of the city's police force; modification of child support provisions; changing the laws regarding delinquent property taxes; establishing an annual veteran's audit; new measures on campaign contributions and transparency, and autism insurance coverage. My newsletter discusses these and the other priorities I'll be revisiting in the future, like increased seat belt fines, school attendance modifications, and payday loan reform.

My newsletter also discusses some of the many achievements of our schools, as well as the results of our mid-session survey. There is also vital information for seniors, and information on the following community events:

July 10 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free Health Fair! Screenings & more!

Where: St. Louis Community College at Forest Park,
5600 Oakland Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110

July 21 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Payday loan forum.

Where: Julia Davis Branch Library,
4415 Natural Bridge, St. Louis, MO 63115-2626

Please mark your calendars for these events, and be on the lookout for my 2010 Legislative Report. It should be arriving soon in your mailboxes, or you can also look at an electronic copy at my Senate website: www.senate.mo.gov/Keaveny.

Thank you for your support this session, and as always, feel free to contact me about any matter in state government at (573) 751-3599 or (866) 783-1534.

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