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## **Senator Wright-Jones Serves As Panelist on Domestic Violence Task Force**

JEFFERSON CITY – As a member of the newly created Domestic Violence Task Force, Sen. Robin Wright-Jones, D-St. Louis, joined several of her colleagues in the General Assembly for the task force’s first meeting to examine current laws and identify recommendations regarding domestic violence in Missouri.

“I was pleased to be selected to serve on this very important task force,” said Sen. Wright-Jones. “Since my early days in the Missouri House of Representatives when I served on committees that dealt with public safety, law enforcement, children, and families in Missouri, I have made it my goal to help protect those who find themselves in domestic violence situations. This task force brings light to this very serious issue in our state and opens the door for the Legislature to give teeth to laws that will help protect victims of domestic violence in Missouri.”

The task force was created by [Attorney General Chris Koster](#) on Sept. 1, 2010 to examine laws addressing domestic violence that were created more than three decades ago. Law enforcement, prosecutors, victims’ advocates, and probation and parole and court officials are invited to attend the meetings to review the state’s current laws and suggest changes that need to be made to improve how the state addresses domestic violence. The task force will hold two more meetings this month, one on Sept. 20 in Columbia and the other on Sept. 27 in Kansas City.

Other Democrats appointed to serve on the task force include Sen. Joan Bray, St. Louis; Rep. Tishaura Jones, St. Louis; Rep. Chris Kelly, Columbia; Rep. Margo McNeil, Florissant; Rep. Stacey Newman, St. Louis; Rep. Jeff Roorda, Barnhart; and Rep. Jill Schupp, Creve Coeur.

For more information on the Domestic Violence Task Force, please call the Missouri Attorney General’s office at (573) 751-3321.

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