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STATEMENT:

Senator Eric Schmitt Again Calls on Missouri Attorney General to Break Silence on the ‘Nebraska Compromise’

JEFFERSON CITY – Following up on his pledge to protect Missouri taxpayers, Sen. Eric Schmitt, R-Glendale, recently issued a letter to Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster calling on Koster to challenge the so-called “Nebraska Compromise,” a deal that exempts Nebraska from paying billions in Medicaid expansion costs, forcing other states to shoulder a larger burden for the program expansion outlined in pending federal healthcare legislation. After a week long silence from the attorney general, Sen. Schmitt filed Senate Concurrent Resolution 37, seeking to compel the attorney general to take action on this unfair deal.

“It’s been one week since I called on Attorney General Koster to take action and join the 13 other state attorneys general from across the nation in challenging the special deal made by Nebraska Sen. Ben Nelson and investigate its constitutionality and legality. The people of Missouri deserve action from our attorney general as to whether they will be picking up another state’s tab for the Medicaid expansion that hangs in the balance in D.C. Silence is not an option and time is of the essence. We need him to answer the call and stand up for Missouri taxpayers who are in danger of being left holding the bag on this special deal.”

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