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Senator Schaefer Files Bill Banning Additional Controlled Substances

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Kurt Schaefer today filed <u>Senate Bill 887</u>, which adds six new items to the Department of Health and Senior Services' list of controlled substances.

Among these prohibited substances are spice cannabinoids, more commonly known as "spice." The substance is smoked for its cannabis-like effect, similar to the drug marijuana. By the end of 2009, leaders of every European nation had banned the substance.

"Spice, as well as the other drugs contained in this bill, are widely available and pose a significant health risk to our youth," Senator Schaefer said. "I am proud to take the lead on this bill and work with parents and law enforcement to ban these dangerous substances."

To see available summaries and the full text for SB 887, visit my website at <u>www.senate.mo.gov/schaefer</u> and click on my sponsored bill link.

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