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# Senator Tom Dempsey's Health Care Legislation Signed Into Law

*Bills Aimed At Reducing Costs and Promoting Health Receive Governor's Signature*

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JEFFERSON CITY — State Sen. Tom Dempsey, R-St. Charles, announces two of his health care proposals have been signed into law by the governor. [Senate Bill 1007](#) makes changes to several public assistance programs administered by the state. [House Bill 1898](#) establishes a program promoting women's heart health.

Senate Bill 1007 will save approximately \$19 million per year by requiring MO HealthNet recipients to be informed about their options before being admitted to a long-term care facility. The measure also requires the auditing of service providers and contracts for in-home services assessments, among other provisions. All of this would be handled by the [Department of Health and Senior Services](#).

House Bill 1898 will establish the Women's Heart Health Program, which will provide screenings to uninsured and underinsured women. Services would be offered by providers currently caring for women under the [Show-Me Healthy Women Program](#). Senator Dempsey was the Senate handler of this bill.

"I would like to thank the governor for signing both of these bills," Sen. Dempsey said. "Senate Bill 1007 is a milestone piece of legislation that will save the state millions of dollars each year and make improvements to the [MO HealthNet](#) program. House Bill 1898 points to Missouri's continued commitment to promoting women's health issues."

Both bills will become law on August 28, 2010.

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