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Week of December 9, 2019

Pre-filing Season is Underway

December 2 marked the first day lawmakers could pre-file legislation for the 2020 legislative session. Following the first few days of pre-filing, senators had already submitted more than 250 Senate Bills more than 20 Senate joint resolutions.

So far, I have filed 13 Senate bills. I believe these bills address some of the issues that are most important to the people I serve across the 32nd Senatorial District.

Here a few of the bills I have pre-filed so far:

Senate Bill 718 modifies laws relating to military families, including state designations, programs implemented by the state attorney general, teacher licensing, developmental disability services and child protection.

Senate Bill 667 states that any costs which are the responsibility of a defendant in a criminal case to pay may be collected as court costs and disbursed to the state or the county in which the case takes place.

Senate Bill 666 requires there to be no restrictions imposed on individual antipsychotic medication for MO HealthNet participants.

Senate Bill 749 requires health insurance policies to provide coverage for hearing instruments and related services for enrollees under the age of 18.

To see a full list of my bills, as well as those filed by other lawmakers, visit: www.senate.mo.gov/legislation.

Christmas Cheer in the 32nd Senatorial District

Over the course of the upcoming weeks, there will be several parades, tree lighting ceremonies and charitable events that offer ways to spread the Christmas cheer in our community. One of many charitable events that I enjoy participating in is Operation Christmas Card, hosted by the United Soldiers and Sailors of America. This organization collects and sends thousands of Christmas cards to soldiers who are serving our country in Iraq, Afghanistan and other parts of the world and will not be able to spend time with their families and friends during the holidays. This is just one way to get involved and let the soldiers know they have not been forgotten. I truly believe Christmas is about being a blessing to others, and I encourage you all to get involved in your local charities.



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If you know someone who has not subscribed to our newsletter, I encourage you to share my email with them for future updates.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a joyous start to 2020. See you in the new year.



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A. On Nov. 23, Sen. Bill White participated in the Joplin Firefighters 2nd annual Chili Cook Off and Car show. **B.** On Dec. 3, Sen. Bill White served as the grand marshall in the 2019 Joplin Christmas Parade. C. On Nov. 23, Sen. Bill White attended Lockwood's Merchant Sale and Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony. **D.** Senator Bill White presented a resolution to the Newton County Community Coalition, which led the charge of passing a more stringent alcohol ordinance in their community. E. Senator Bill White and Rep. Lane Roberts, R-Joplin, attended Joplin's 52nd annual Citizens Police Academy Ceremony. F. On Dec. 4, Sen. Bill White spoke to a government and law class at the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce.

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