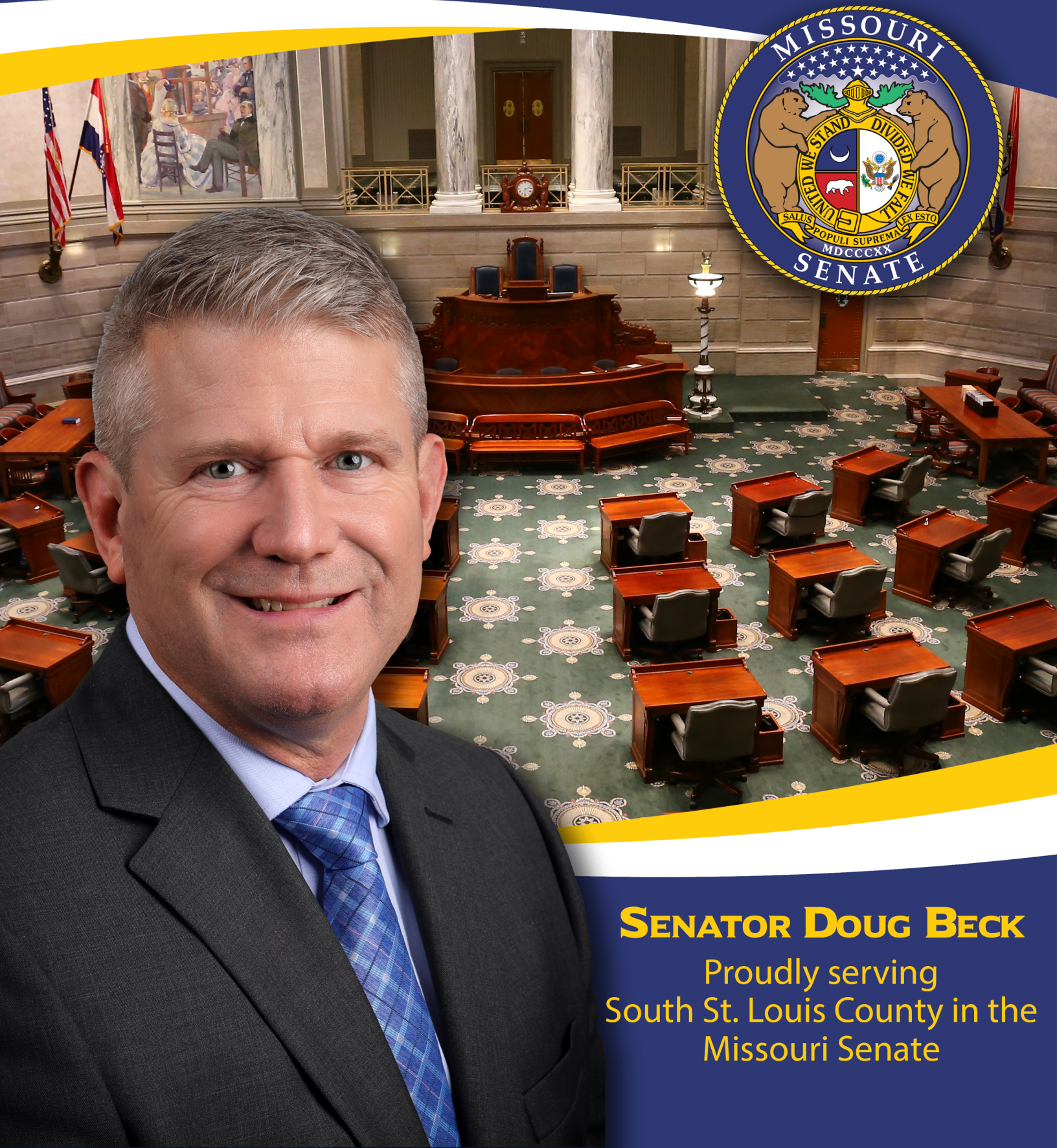


# LEGISLATIVE REVIEW



**SENATOR DOUG BECK**  
Proudly serving  
South St. Louis County in the  
Missouri Senate





# LEGISLATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

Friends and Neighbors,

The 2022 legislative session has concluded, and I'm thankful my colleagues and I were able to pass several key policies to move our state forward and help our children thrive. We fully funded the foundation formula for our K-12 schools and provided the funding needed to expand Medicaid coverage for low-income individuals, to name a few. I will keep fighting to raise the minimum wage, provide tax credits to build grocery stores in food deserts and help our emergency responders who develop diseases in the line of duty. Representing our community in the Missouri Senate is the most rewarding challenge of my career. Thank you for entrusting me to be your voice in Jefferson City, and please reach out if you need assistance!

*Davey Beach*

## Helping Mothers

Last year, I added [legislation](#) to [House Bill 432](#) to help nursing mothers. The new law requires school districts to accommodate breastfeeding students, teachers and staff by dedicating a private space and allotting time to express milk or nurse their baby throughout the school day.



## Will's Law



[Will's Law](#), named for a nonverbal child with a seizure disorder, will become official on Aug. 28, 2022, requiring school districts to regularly train staff and develop individualized health care plans to respond to students' seizures. Thanks to the advocacy of Will's family, schools will now be seizure safe!

## Guarding Jobs

During the 2021 legislative session, my sponsored [legislation](#) to establish hiring preferences for our current and former military service men and women was passed as a part of [Senate Bill 120](#). Under this law, qualified members of the U.S. Armed Forces or Missouri National Guard who apply for state jobs will be granted an interview.

## You Can, Too!

On the opening day of the 2022 legislative session, the women of the Missouri Senate debuted *You Can, Too!*, a children's book they published portraying the historic journey each of our state's 36 women senators have taken on their way to the State Capitol. The 11 women serving in the Senate is the most in the history of our chamber. This spring, I enjoyed distributing the books to each elementary school in our district to encourage children to read and inspire girls to serve in public office.

# TRULY AGREED AND FINALLY PASSED

[Senate Bill 681](#) establishes the Get the Lead out of School Drinking Water Act and the Show Me Success Diploma Program and addresses our state's low literacy rates.

[Senate Bill 775](#) updates and strengthens the Sexual Assault Survivors Bill of Rights and further protects children from being trafficked or exploited.

[House Bill 1552](#) creates the Charter Public School Commission Revolving Fund within the state treasury and modifies the weighted average daily attendance calculations for charter school funding.

[House Bill 2116](#) authorizes patients and residents in health care facilities to designate a compassionate care visitor to have in-person contact during their stay.

Click [here](#) to read the entire list of TAFP bills.

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## Highlights from Our Community



Students from Affton High School visited the Capitol on March 29 and were introduced on the floor of the Senate.



Cardinals fans welcomed legendary shortstop Ozzie Smith to the chamber during the 2021 legislative session.



Superintendent John Simpson of Webster Groves School District receives a copy of You Can, Too!



I attended the Inaugural Ball with my best friend and bride of 36 years, Marilyn.



Major General Cassie Strom received a 2022 Woman of Achievement Award from the lieutenant governor.



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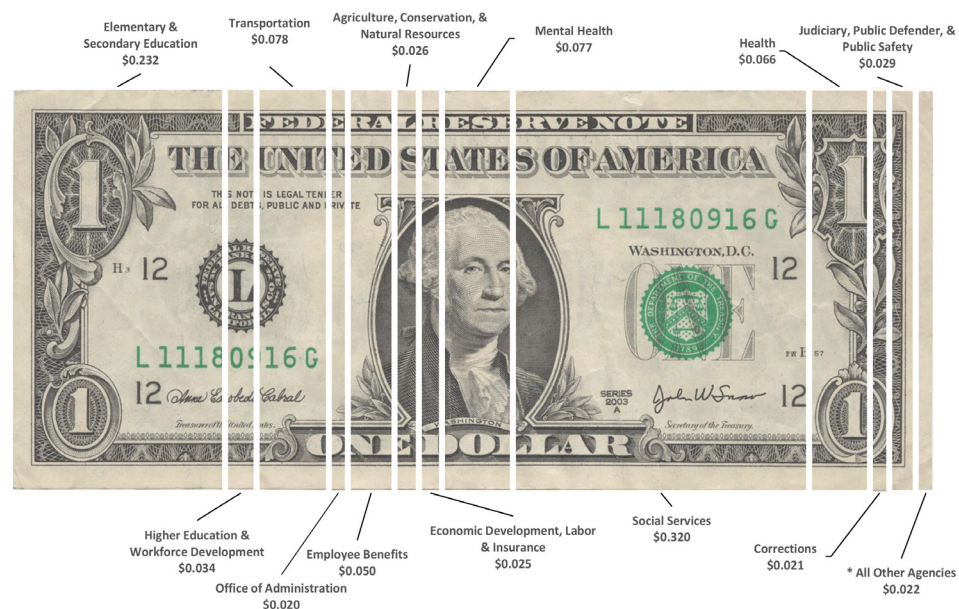
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## Fiscal Year '23 Budget

- Increases school transportation funding
- Raises teachers' base salary to \$37K
- Invests \$25 million into an evidence-based Reading Instruction Program
- Boosts funding to community colleges
- Allocates funding to launch the Missouri Prison Nursery Program, allowing newborns to stay with their mothers until released from prison
- Appropriates money for the Department of Mental Health to market and promote the 988 National Suicide Lifeline

### DISTRIBUTION OF EACH DOLLAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET

All Funds: **\$44.708 Billion**



\* Includes: Revenue, Elected Officials, General Assembly, and Statewide Real Estate