Feb. 20, 1907

*This Date in Missouri Senate History*

On *This Date in Missouri Senate History*, the date was Feb. 20, 1907, the day the Missouri Senate adopted a resolution relating to a smallpox outbreak in the Show-Me State.

In this case, the outbreak was in Jefferson City and on its way to the Capitol.

Then-Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Frank McAllister oversaw adoption of a Senate Joint Resolution requesting the State Board of Health to, “convene at once at the City of Jefferson and take such steps immediately as it may seem necessary and proper to effectively control and prevent further spread in the City of Jefferson.”

In the days leading up to this, some lawmakers had left Jefferson City, whether solely because of the smallpox outbreak or for other reasons.

However, session was not necessarily over.

February 20, 1907, the date marking adoption of a joint resolution relating to a smallpox outbreak in Jefferson City, on *This Date in Missouri Senate History*.

(Sources: [Missouri Legislative Library](https://www.senate.mo.gov/LegislativeLibrary/Timeline.html))