

# Journal of the Senate

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

---

**EIGHTH DAY - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023**

---

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Hough in the Chair.

Senator Fitzwater offered the following prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father who dwells in and through everything, great is Your name! May Your will be done in these halls even today, as we seek to redeem our days and Your world through grace and peace just as it is in Heaven. Today, provide all the things we need to sustain a desire to glorify You, while allowing us the boldness to forgive and seek forgiveness for our wrongs, just as You've forgiven us. And please give us a clear vision, one that honors You and doesn't lead us down the wrong paths that only create hardship for ourselves and our state. For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

A quorum being established, the Senate proceeded with its business.

The Journal of the previous day was read and approved.

The following Senators were present during the day's proceedings:

Present—Senators

Arthur	Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16th Dist.)
Brown (26th Dist.)	Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Eigel	Eslinger
Fitzwater	Gannon	Hoskins	Hough	Koenig	Luetkemeyer	May
McCreery	Moon	Mosley	O'Laughlin	Razer	Rizzo	Roberts
Rowden	Schroer	Thompson Rehder	Trent	Washington	Williams—34	

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

President Kehoe assumed the Chair.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were read the 1st time and ordered printed:

**SB 513**—By Hoskins.

An Act to repeal section 144.030, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to a sales tax exemption for boat docks.

**SB 514**—By Hoskins.

An Act to repeal sections 32.028, 53.084, 53.260, 137.037, 137.110, 137.112, 137.113, 137.114, 137.150, 137.165, 137.180, 137.190, 137.220, 137.240, 137.245, 137.320, 137.335, 137.375, 137.380, 137.415, 137.480, 137.500, 137.750, 138.200, 138.220, 138.260, 138.290, 138.330, 138.433, 138.435, 138.440, and 138.480, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twenty-one new sections relating to taxation.

**SB 515**—By McCreery.

An Act to repeal section 290.502, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the minimum wage rate.

**SB 516**—By McCreery.

An Act to amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to electric vehicle tax credits.

**SB 517**—By Roberts.

An Act to amend chapter 9, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to Edith Cunnane Day in Missouri.

On motion of Senator O'Laughlin the Senate recessed until 2:40 p.m.

**RECESS**

The time of recess having expired, the Senate was called to order by President Kehoe.

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through its Chief Clerk:

Mr. President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the Speaker has appointed the following members to act with a like committee from the Senate pursuant to **HCR 1**. Representatives: Pollitt, Dinkins, Black, Houx, Owen, Thompson, Shields, Bangert, Mosley, and Young.

On motion of Senator O'Laughlin, the Senate repaired to the House of Representatives to receive the State of the State Address from His Excellency, Governor Michael L. Parson.

**JOINT SESSION**

The Joint Session was called to order by President Kehoe.

The Color Guard from the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Troop F, presented the colors.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

On roll call the following Senators were present:

Present—Senators

Arthur	Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (26th Dist.)
Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Eigel	Eslinger	Fitzwater
Gannon	Hoskins	Hough	Koenig	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery
Moon	Mosley	O'Laughlin	Razer	Rizzo	Roberts	Rowden
Schroer	Thompson Rehder	Trent	Washington	Williams—33		

Absent—Senator Brown (16th Dist.)—1

Absent with leave—Senators—None

Vacancies—None

On roll call the following Representatives were present:

PRESENT: 150

Adams	Aldridge	Allen	Amato	Anderson	Banderman	Bangert
Baringer	Barnes	Billington	Black	Boggs	Bonacker	Bosley
Boyd	Bromley	Brown 149	Brown 16	Brown 27	Brown 87	Buchheit-Courtway
Burger	Burton	Busick	Butz	Byrnes	Casteel	Christ
Christofanelli	Clemens	Coleman	Collins	Cook	Copeland	Crossley
Davidson	Deaton	Diehl	Dinkins	Doll	Ealy	Falkner
Farnan	Fogle	Fountain Henderson	Francis	Gallick	Gragg	Gray
Gregory	Griffith	Haden	Haffner	Haley	Hardwick	Hausman
Hein	Henderson	Hicks	Hinman	Houx	Hovis	Hudson
Hulbert	Ingle	Johnson 12	Johnson 23	Jones	Justus	Kalberloh
Keathley	Kelley 127	Kelly 141	Knight	Lavender	Lewis 25	Lewis 6
Lonsdale	Lovasco	Mackey	Mann	Marquart	Matthiesen	Mayhew
McGaugh	McGill	McMullen	Merideth	Morse	Mosley	Murphy
Myers	Nurrenbern	O'Donnell	Oehlerking	Owen	Parker	Patterson
Perkins	Peters	Plank	Plocher	Pollitt	Pouche	Proudie
Quade	Reedy	Reuter	Richey	Riggs	Riley	Roberts
Sander	Sassman	Sauls	Schnelting	Schulte	Schwadron	Seitz
Sharp 37	Sharpe 4	Shields	Smith 155	Smith 163	Smith 46	Sparks
Stacy	Steinhoff	Stephens	Stinnett	Strickler	Taylor 48	Taylor 84
Terry	Thomas	Thompson	Titus	Toalson Reisch	Unsicker	Van Schoiack
Veit	Voss	Waller	Walsh Moore	Weber	West Wilson	Woods
Wright	Young	Mr. Speaker				

ABSENT: 13

Appelbaum	Atchison	Aune	Baker	Bland Manlove	Burnett	Chappell
Cupps	Davis	Evans	Nickson-Clark	Phifer	Windham	

VACANCIES: 0

The Joint Committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency, Governor Michael L. Parson, escorted the Governor to the dais where he delivered the State of the State Address to the Joint Assembly:

**2023 STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS – NOT DONE YET**

**GOVERNOR MIKE PARSON**

Thank you Lieutenant Governor, Mr. Speaker, statewide officials, Judges of the Missouri Supreme Court, and state legislators.

It is an honor to be joined by the First Lady as I stand before you again today as the 57th Governor of the Great State of Missouri.

Today, I stand here with excitement and a renewed sense of optimism for the future of Missouri and its people.

This past year was one of opportunity. We recognized that. Took advantage of that. AND now we are reaping the benefits...both today and tomorrow.

By working together, we've done better than before. We've established a new baseline of service for state government. We've set a **new standard** for the people of Missouri.

Together, we've moved billions of dollars in investments across this state. Whether you live in Kansas City or St. Louis...Kennett or Rockport... grow corn or cotton...vote left, right, or center...We've left no community behind.

We are building a bench in this state that will continue the tremendous successes we are seeing. AND that means a bench that SEES everyone, that INCLUDES everyone, and is FOR everyone.

Teachers and police officers...state workers and factory workers... every hard-working Missourian is critical to the continued success of our state. Every year, we've supported them, invested in them, and we must never quit on them.

Last year, I stood before you and proclaimed that Missouri is Strong Today and will be Even Stronger Tomorrow. Well this year, I'm here to tell you that tomorrow has arrived...

Missouri IS Stronger today, and we're going to continue what we've started...Because THIS Governor isn't done yet...**WE**... **ARE...NOT... DONE... YET!**

This past year, words like "historical" "largest ever" and "most in history" seemed to become permanent parts of our vocabulary...whether it was workforce development, education, infrastructure, mental health, public safety, or agriculture...these words applied to all.

In October, we concluded a historic special session with the passage of the **largest** income **tax cut** in our state's history.

We cut the tax rate and simplified the tax code for all Missourians. Missourians work hard, they provide for their families, pay their bills, and pay their taxes. AND they deserve to keep their hard-earned money.

This tax cut means that our administration will have cut Missourians' taxes **three times** and by **20 percent**. Money that can help put gas in the car, food on the table, or saved for a rainy day. It means more money in our economy.

We thank Senator Koenig, Senator Hough, and Representative Smith for their leadership as well as everyone in this chamber who voted for and fought for this tax cut.

In Missouri...when the coffers are full from a booming economy, growing businesses, and job creation...we don't spend for the sake of spending like we see in Washington D.C....we spend what is necessary for our growth...for the future...and put more money back in Missourians' pockets **where it was EARNED**...and **where IT BELONGS**.

During that same special session, we also secured opportunity and support for our state's number one economic driver...agriculture.

I am an Ag Governor and this administration will always stand up for our Missouri farmers and ranchers. AND we challenged legislators who **say** the same to **do** the same...

By working together with the leadership of Senator Bean and Representative Pollitt, we put politics and special interests aside and passed long term extensions for our critical agriculture tax credit programs...

Programs that create jobs, promote farm and business innovation, and help add value to our Missouri Grown products.

Despite the roadblocks, political games, and those who stood against agriculture... support for our farmers and ranchers could not be denied. AND we appreciate everyone who took a stand and offered your support for those who feed and fuel our economy.

While tax cuts and support for agriculture are huge wins...you have probably noticed, **MISSOURI IS ON THE MOVE**.

Our economy is booming. Businesses are investing, growing, and creating jobs in our state.

Thanks to our focus on workforce development and infrastructure, we have achieved countless economic wins.

In 2022, our unemployment rate fell to 2.4 percent...the lowest rate ever recorded in the history of the State of Missouri, and it remains historically low today.

While the federal government tried to solve an inflation problem with more spending, we got to work creating jobs and securing business investment.

This year, we celebrated business announcements all across the State of Missouri...

In total, more than **\$2.9 billion dollars** and **nearly 5,000 new jobs** were created by businesses that utilized our state programs, like Missouri One Start.

Since its reform in 2019, Missouri One Start has trained nearly 130,000 workers for companies of all sizes.

Its success is why we are continuing our investment of \$27 million dollars for additional Missouri One Start training projects to help recruit and train skilled workers for companies choosing our state.

AND we are proud that **Missouri ranks 1st in the United States for our low cost of doing business...**

Whether it is investments in Missouri One Start, broadband, education, or so on, by prioritizing infrastructure and workforce development, companies are choosing our state to invest.

Some of the first things we are asked about on our Trade Missions is our progress on infrastructure, education, workforce, and our cost of doing business.

In fact, from our Trade Missions alone, we have been able to achieve over **1,000 jobs** and more than **\$1 billion dollars** in business investment for Missouri.

AND WE ARE NOT DONE YET

### **Infrastructure**

Last year, we made one of the largest investments in broadband expansion across our state.

Thanks to our efforts, nearly **70,000 under-served** homes and businesses across our state **NOW have broadband.**

BUT we know we can't stop now. That is why we are investing an additional \$250 million dollars to do even more.

If we can put electricity in every home, we can do the same with broadband today.

We are not done until **every** home, **every** school, **every** business, and **every** farm has access to quality internet.

Not only is broadband important so is our vast transportation network.

But this year, we learned the hard way that we must do more to improve transportation safety.

Over the summer, an Amtrak passenger train derailed near the small town of Mendon, killing four and seriously injuring dozens of others.

Thankfully in this instance, small town America rose to the occasion. Neighbors helping neighbors, strangers helping strangers...the Mendon community represented the best of our people...the best of our state.

AND on behalf of all Missourians...I want to thank them...

While the power of our people and the goodness of their character made a bad situation a little better this time, the state must be proactive and help prevent a similar situation again.

That is why we are including \$35 million dollars to begin updating railway crossings to modern day safety standards **ALL ACROSS OUR STATE...**

When I became Governor, we worked with all of you and set out to repair or replace 250 of our state's poorest bridges, and we are happy to report that 222 have already been completed, and the remaining bridges will be under contract by March.

We have also set out to address crumbling roads in rural areas. Thanks to our rural routes program established in last year's budget, 1,700 lane miles of low volume roads in the poorest conditions will be resurfaced by the end of June of this year.

AND we are extremely proud of our Transportation Cost-Share which has awarded 28 local transportation projects with the funding to improve roads and bridges and bring economic development to their areas.

Through our \$75 million dollar investment and partnering with both public and private entities, we have leveraged more than \$175 million dollars in new projects all across our state, from the most rural areas to our urban areas.

As you can see, our infrastructure investments are making a real difference for Missourians in our state.

AND one project in particular we want to highlight is the I-270 North project in St. Louis...one of the largest investments ever in our state's history.

This project not only represents stronger infrastructure...it demonstrates the opportunities that these projects can bring to hard-working Missourians.

Involved with the I-270 project is Project Pave. A STEM program that works to mentor, teach, and support students in North St. Louis County high schools. These students get to pursue interests in highway design, engineering, and construction.

AND here with us today is Christian Malloyd.

Christian was an intern with Project Pave and secured full-time employment with Mill-stone Weber as an IT Technician **directly out of high school**...

AND that is exactly what we are trying to achieve.

Would you please help me in welcoming Christian and his fellow Project PAVE students to the chamber today?

While we might have thought we were just putting asphalt on roads or steel over waterways, what we're really doing is supporting the future.

These investments create REAL jobs that provide REAL careers... to support REAL families and REAL futures.

#### **AND WE ARE NOT DONE YET**

For years, congestion, traffic accidents, and delays have become serious issues for commuters on I-70. Not only are we concerned for motorist safety, these inefficiencies are costly to our state's economy. AND we must invest to improve I-70.

To those who say we can't afford it, I say we can't afford not to.

This year, we are requesting \$859 million dollars... the largest investment in decades... to widen and rebuild the I-70 corridor and take the first step in adding a third lane across our state.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

And the **TIME...IS...NOW**.

#### **Education/Workforce Development**

Now, as a product of public education, the father of a school teacher, and grandfather of a first-year school teacher and preschooler, I know the American Dream could not be possible for so many without a quality education.

This year, we will again fully fund the foundation formula with an additional \$117 million dollars to ensure Missouri schools are receiving the support they need.

But as I've said, we've set a new standard in this state. AND that includes a new standard of accountability for our students, teachers, and administrators across the state.

Last year, we funded our part of school transportation for the first time in more than two decades, and **we aren't one and done**.

This year, we are again investing \$233 million dollars for school transportation to ensure our kids can get to and from school safely.

Additionally, last year, in working with the General Assembly, we funded the Career Ladder Program. Nearly 140 school districts participated and over **11,000 veteran** school teachers received an increase in pay.

This year, we are again funding the program with an additional \$32 million dollars to continue the state's part and benefit more Missouri teachers.

Another program we are very proud of is our Teacher Baseline Salary Grant program, which raised baseline teacher pay from \$25,000 dollars to \$38,000 dollars per year.

A total of 356 Missouri school districts participated in the program and provided pay increases to more than 6,000 school teachers.

Clearly this program is making a difference, and we are committed to continuing it for teachers like the one joining us today.

In the upper gallery is one of the teachers we had the pleasure of meeting. She's a first grade teacher from Meadville R-4 School District located in Linn County.

She's a second year teacher and received a nearly **\$7,000 dollar** pay increase thanks to our baseline teacher pay program. She was able to move out of her parents' house, get married, and begin pursuing a master's degree.

Mrs. Fluckey is a great example of the majority of our educators who do it for the right reasons. She represents our educators who certainly don't do it for the money, but do it for our children and the future of our state.

Would you please join me in giving Mrs. Fluckey and all our Missouri educators a round of applause?

We also know that early childhood care is essential to our state's success.

We've already invested nearly \$1 billion dollars to improve our child care network and create more options for more Missouri families.

### **BUT WE ARE NOT DONE YET**

We know child care remains a struggle for many parents and businesses. Child care providers often have to limit their hours due to staffing shortages or increase their prices...this poses a real challenge to parents as they weigh the decision **to work or stay home**.

Prior to COVID-19, more than 50 percent of Missouri residents lived in an area with a shortage of child care. We know that problem has only worsened with one-third of facilities no longer open after the pandemic.

We need to do better...for our parents, children, providers, and businesses.

Joining us today is Sharon Winton, the Director of Discovery Place child care right here in Jefferson City.

Ms. Winton stayed the course and kept her doors open...even as enrollment declined and revenue fell...

Even with her determination and passion for serving Missouri families... overcoming the challenges she faced might not have been possible without the state programs and services our Office of Childhood provides.

Would you please join me in recognizing Ms. Sharon Winton, the children of Discovery Place, and all those who care for our children across the state?

Now...Ms. Winton faces the opposite issue...more and more families are seeking child care options. AND while she would love to help, she simply does not have the resources, space, or staff to accommodate.

To help address this issue, we are proposing three new child care tax credit programs.

These programs will help improve child care facilities, support employers who support their workers with child care assistance, and allow more of our dedicated child care workers to earn a pay increase.

We are also investing more than \$78 million dollars to increase Child Care Subsidy rates to child care providers across the state...

Together these actions will help more child care providers to start their business, stay in business, or expand their business.

BUT we are not stopping there...

Missouri's own Susan Blow established the first school kindergarten right here in the State of Missouri, and we want to expand on those efforts started so long ago.

This year, we are here to announce our plan to invest \$56 million dollars to begin expanding Pre-Kindergarten options to **ALL** low-income Missouri children.

Under this program, 50 percent of all our families with pre-k students will be able to enroll their children in expanded programs through their local school district or charter school at no cost.

There is a **clear need** to do better when it comes to **early childhood**. Let's **meet this moment** for Missouri kids, families, and businesses!

Now, for our non-college students or Missourians seeking a new career path...

We are investing \$3 million dollars in Apprenticeship Missouri to expand apprenticeship opportunities with a focus on IT, public health, education, and public safety, among others.

These programs are a great way for Missourians to learn a new skill and earn a good-paying job...right out of high school.

Thanks to this program, we are happy to report that we were able to achieve our goal of creating **20,000 new apprenticeships THREE years** ahead of schedule.

AND thanks to this program we are **NOW 3rd in the United States for apprenticeships opportunities**.

This year, we are seeking \$2.2 million dollars for our 27 job centers across the state. With more than 195,000 job openings in Missouri...we must make sure Missourians who need a job get a job.

Additionally, to further support career opportunities for our young people, we are requesting \$500,000 dollars for our Jobs for America's Graduates to help more high school students further their education or go directly into the workforce.

For college bound Missourians, we are increasing core funding to our Community Colleges and 4-year institutions, by **seven** percent... the largest increase in more than 25 years.

Additionally, we are investing another \$275 million dollars for capital improvement projects on our college campuses...

We are also proposing an additional \$800,000 dollars for our Fast Track program to ensure that any qualified person seeking a scholarship is able to receive it.

For our high school seniors wanting to further their education, we are also again fully funding A+ scholarships.

AND to help promote workforce development on college campuses, we are recommending \$38 million dollars for our MoExcels program to expand employer-driven education and training programs.

Together, these investments will help our colleges and universities keep up with the educational demands of both today and tomorrow.

We all know manufacturing is a leading industry in our state. In fact, we rank **4th in the United State for new manufacturing facilities**.

But a serious hurdle for our manufacturing companies here in Missouri and across the nation is the semiconductor chip supply chain.

To address this issue...for the first time...we are dedicating \$25 million dollars for research, program development, and training to increase our competitiveness for semiconductor manufacturing right here in Missouri.

The last thing we want is to rely on China when we CAN and WILL do it right here in Missouri.



**Government Reform**

These investments in infrastructure, workforce, and education cannot be achieved without a functioning and efficient state government...

AND the dedicated leaders in my Cabinet. Would members of my cabinet please stand to be recognized for all you do on behalf of the people of Missouri?

While businesses build their bench...we need to build the bench in state government.

As many of you know, the recruitment and retention of state employees has been a severe problem for our state. AND while we have made considerable advancements like wage increases, deferred compensation, and professional development opportunities...

MORE is needed.

Supporting our state workers means supporting the people of Missouri...AND **we are not done yet.**

This year, as part of our supplemental budget, we are requesting an immediate **8.7 percent** cost of living increase for our state employees.

For anyone who can't already see the dire need for this action, we want to be clear, this is not state government setting the market...this is merely an attempt by state government to stay competitive **with** the market.

If we allow state government to fall behind, we allow Missourians to fall behind.

With more than 7,000 positions open across state government, **this wage increase is necessary... and it is the MINIMUM we must do...**

**On behalf of all state employees,** I ask for your **full support** to pass this increase and **deliver it to my desk by March 1.**

We also want to improve the services we provide through our agencies like the Children's Division. This Division is critical to the health and safety of some of Missouri's most vulnerable children, yet it is critically understaffed and under-resourced.

By investing \$22 million dollars we can help alleviate the strain, hire more employees, and support struggling families and children.

We must do more and do better for our children, our families, and the future of our state.

We've come a long way... BUT for Missouri to stay on the move...so does state government.

**Health Care/Mental Health Care**

In 2022, fresh out of the grips of COVID-19, we understood the need to do better in this state when it comes to health and mental health care.

Last year, we made historic investments in health and mental health, including the new **State One Health Lab,** which states across the nation are using as a model for their own plans.

Now...frankly, an area in which we are heartbroken to be failing is maternal mortality. Currently, Missouri ranks 44th in the United States for our abnormally high maternal mortality rate.

This is embarrassing and **absolutely unacceptable.**

We are determined to change this. AND we are requesting \$4.3 million dollars to allow the Department of Health and Senior Services to implement a new maternal mortality plan.

DHSS estimates that 75 percent of maternal deaths are preventable with at least one meaningful change to treatment, whether directly to the patient or through the provider, community, or health care system.

We refuse to accept this tragic Missouri statistic. We must do better. If we can't get it right for the mothers and children across our state, we might as well pack our bags and let somebody else occupy our seats.

Let's support our **mothers,** let's support our **children,** let's support **the future of Missouri.**

This year, we are also proposing an additional \$3.5 million dollars to increase the number of youth behavioral health liaisons across our state. This initiative will fund 27 liaisons to help our youth in crisis and receive the treatment they need.

It is needed, it is wanted, and more importantly... It is helping keep our kids SAFE, IN school, and OUT of the system.

Here with us today is Leah Crawford. Last year, she was observing a change in her daughter's behavior and mood. Her daughter, Jewel, was carrying so much hate and anger - things that no child should have to suffer through.

Recognizing a need to do something, Leah took her daughter to Phallin Thornton, one of our youth behavioral liaisons. It was because of Phallin that Leah felt her daughter was finally opening up and making a change for the better.

After a visit with Phallin, she was smiling again... laughing again... being a child again.

This is the real difference this program is making for our kids across the state.

We are grateful to have Leah, Jewel, and Phallin with us here today. Would you please stand to be recognized?

This year, to address the severe shortage of Certified Nursing Assistants all across our state, we are proposing nearly \$4 million dollars to boost C-N-A training and programs.

With this increase, we expect 4,000 additional students to gain C-N-A training and employment at a long-term care facilities and other medical facilities, including our Missouri Veterans Homes.

We owe it to Missourians to provide them with quality care, and C-N-As are critical to that mission.

AND we also want to thank all of our doctors, nurses, and health care professionals across our state who care for our citizens.

### **Public Safety**

We must also always look to improve when it comes to public safety in our state.

Unfortunately, our home, schools, and communities are not immune to violence. BUT it's our jobs... the individuals in this building to do what we can to promote a safer Missouri.

This past year, we saw violence and shootings plague schools and communities across the nation, and sadly our state was no exception.

The events that unfolded at Central Visual & Performing Arts High School just a few months ago were nothing short of tragedy.

As friends and family mourn, a community grieves, and a school tries to continue on without a valued and beloved teacher and student...we must recommit ourselves to ensuring our schools are safe.

While we will never understand or control the violence of these deranged individuals, we can look to the school safety officers and law enforcement who got it right that day.

They were prepared...they had a plan...they saved lives and prevented a tragic situation from becoming even worse.

We want to ensure that preparedness and response can be repeated across our state if the unthinkable ever occurs again.

That's why this year we are proposing **\$50 million dollars** for school safety grants to further protect **our children** and **our schools**.

We know that public safety starts with supporting our men and women on the front lines who answer the call... who wake up every day to protect and serve.

BUT we know that law enforcement recruitment has suffered in recent years...AND it is critical that we take action to **build the bench** in law enforcement.

Last year, we established the Missouri Blue Scholarship program to recruit officers across the state.

Already this program has received high interest and success, with 147 Missourians already earning a scholarship.

Joining us today are Rachel Kelley and Samuel Altom.

Rachel always dreamed of becoming a police officer, but like so many...life gets in the way. Now, she can afford the opportunity to pursue her dream and serve her community thanks to our scholarship program.

Samuel has witnessed firsthand that there can sometimes be disconnect and distrust by younger generations towards law enforcement...he wants to help fix that and hopes to one day help recruit and train future police officers.

This scholarship program and the support it provides to people like Rachel and Samuel are perfect examples of how we can help build the bench in law enforcement.

Would you please join me in welcoming Rachel and Samuel?

For anyone willing to step up to protect and serve their communities, we must do everything we can to support them.

AND as I've said...In this state, we support and defend our law enforcement officers, we don't defund them...**AND OUR ADMINISTRATION NEVER WILL.**

Infrastructure, education, workforce development, health care, mental health, public safety...it's not one or the other...it's everything working together that allows a better future for our children and our families.

We have always invested in these priorities... and we always will.

### **CONCLUSION**

For us, it's all about the WHY.

The WHY we aren't done yet...the WHY we CAN'T be don't yet...it's because of our children.

AND joining us on the floor today is the WHY...

Would you please welcome students from Missouri's Blue Ribbon Schools who want to share their American Dream with you...

From Kirkwood...

- Ben Herwick and Julia McDonald want to study business.

From Nixa...

- Meghana Nakkanti wants to study Public Health
- AND Gideon Carter wants to study computer science.

From Eugene Field...

- Carson DeFazio wants to be a soccer coach
- AND Rosalind Martin wants to be a baker.

From Epic...

- Henley Ricklefs wants to be a Veterinarian
- AND Sawyer Burch who wants to join the NFL...AND we're rooting for Sawyer as long he's with the Kansas City Chiefs.

From Dewey...

- Mahlia Wahid wants to study business
- AND Decker Rardon wants to be an engineer.

From Chapel Lakes...

- Cooper Minks wants to be a sports agent
- AND Skylaur James wants to be an Olympic runner.

From Blair Oaks...

- Emmerson Hilty wants to be a teacher and principal
- AND Preston Snitker wants to play professional sports.

AND behind them, we also have children from Discovery Place Daycare who are here to **SHOW YOU** their American Dream.

Let's give these kids a round of applause.

Teresa and I are living our American Dream. Our dream is one of faith, family, and patriotic service. A dream that allowed a rowdy farm boy from small-town Wheatland and a bright and beautiful woman from Bolivar to meet and one day become the Governor and First Lady of Missouri.

For the kids in this room...It's their future, their dreams, THEIR AMERICAN DREAM that we MUST support and fight for...It's our **privilege** and **our responsibility**.

Kids all across our state have hopes, dreams, and ambitions...AND their American Dream can be bolstered and broadened by the decisions we make right here in this building.

Looking at these kids standing here today...I am confident there is nothing we cannot overcome **FOR THEM**.

These children **are the WHY**...If we're not willing to sacrifice for these kids, support their dreams, or stand up for their future, then we must ask ourselves **why are we here?**

The First Lady and I have always believed in and supported the American Dream...and as we enter the final two years of our time as Governor and First Lady the importance of that mission becomes all the more clear.

Like us, the American Dream should be achievable for **ALL**...**NEVER the exception for SOME**.

Our American Dream was possible because leaders before us looked at you and me...and recognized **we** were worth fighting for.

Today, I ask the same of you...THESE Missouri children are the future. The future of our state, our nation, and our democracy.

If we fail them...then the **failures of tomorrow** are **the failures of today**.

Let's not fail them today, tomorrow, or ever.

This Governor...this Dad... and this Gramps... IS NOT DONE YET...

**WE**...ARE...NOT...DONE...YET...

It is an honor and privilege to serve as the 57<sup>th</sup> Governor of the state of Missouri.

God bless you, God bless the great State of Missouri, and God bless the United States of America.

On motion of Senator O'Laughlin, the Joint Session was dissolved and the Senators returned to the chamber where they were called to order by President Kehoe.

## RESOLUTIONS

Senators Roberts and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 26, regarding Tricia Molnar, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators May and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 27, regarding Eve Brandes, Affton Christian Food Pantry, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators May and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 28, regarding Kristina Kohl, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators May and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 29, regarding Jeff Uhlemeyer, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators May and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 30, regarding Branson Lawrence, Tower Grove South, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 31, regarding AJ Wellness Pharmacy, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 32, regarding Dill, Bamvakais and O'Keefe, P.C., St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 33, regarding Feed My People food pantry, Affton-Lemay, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 34, regarding Gym Stars, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 35, regarding Heine Meine Ballpark, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 36, regarding Organic Remedies, Affton, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 37, regarding Rooftop Church, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 38, regarding Forrest Miller, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 39, regarding Brooke Barfield, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 40, regarding Krista Maness Kimmich, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 41, regarding Kristin Busch, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 42, regarding Hancock Place Elementary, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 43, regarding La Oaxuena Mexican Restaurant, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 44, regarding Officer Tyler Follis, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 45, regarding Janel and Allison Schrunk, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 46, regarding Sandy Kettelkamp, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators McCreery and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 47, regarding Danny Pogue, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators McCreery and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 48, regarding Officer Aaron McClintock, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senators McCreery and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 49, regarding Kristen deJong, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 50, regarding Eagle Scout Riley Pierce, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 51, regarding Eagle Scout Shaun Phillip McMurphy, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 52, regarding Eagle Scout Mack L. Young, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 53, regarding Eagle Scout Caleb D'Amico, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 54, regarding Eagle Scout Zach Jansen, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 55, regarding Eagle Scout Madeline Collins, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 56, regarding Eagle Scout Frank J. Todaro, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 57, regarding Eagle Scout Casey Duffendack, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 58, regarding Eagle Scout Caleb Sides, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senators Schroer and Beck offered Senate Resolution No. 59, regarding Amanda Willis, Lake St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 60, regarding William B. Collins, Harrisonville, which was adopted.

Senator Roberts offered Senate Resolution No. 61, regarding the death of Edith Cunnane, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Roberts offered Senate Resolution No. 62, regarding the St. Patrick Center, which was adopted.

Senator Bernskoetter offered Senate Resolution No. 63, regarding National Champion Camdenton High School Army JROTC Raider Team, which was adopted.

### **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Senator Bernskoetter introduced to the Senate, Vickie and Keith Schwinke; Mary and Jack Deeken; Mark and Joanie McCarter; and Matthew Ross.

Senator May introduced to the Senate, Ben Borgmeyer; and Dereck Winters, St. Louis City.

Senator O'Laughlin introduced to the Senate, Executive Board from the MO Association of Counties, Lori Smith; Carol Johnson; Cheryl Dawson-Spaulding; and Batina Dodge.

On motion of Senator Bean the Senate adjourned under the rules.

### **SENATE CALENDAR**

—————  
NINTH DAY—THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023  
—————

### **FORMAL CALENDAR**

### **SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS**

SB 92-Hoskins	SB 113-Hough
SB 93-Hoskins	SB 114-Brown (16)
SB 94-Hoskins	SB 115-Brown (16)
SB 95-Koenig	SB 116-Brown (16)
SB 96-Koenig	SB 117-Luetkemeyer
SB 97-Koenig	SB 118-Luetkemeyer
SB 98-Eigel	SB 119-Luetkemeyer
SB 99-Eigel	SB 120-May and Luetkemeyer
SB 100-Eigel	SB 121-May
SB 101-Crawford	SB 122-May
SB 102-Crawford	SB 123-Williams
SB 103-Crawford	SB 124-Williams
SB 104-Cierpiot	SB 125-Williams
SB 105-Cierpiot	SB 126-Thompson Rehder
SB 106-Arthur	SB 127-Thompson Rehder
SB 107-Arthur	SB 128-Thompson Rehder
SB 108-Arthur	SB 129-Brattin
SB 109-Bernskoetter	SB 130-Brattin
SB 110-Bernskoetter	SB 131-Brattin
SB 111-Bernskoetter	SB 132-Gannon
SB 112-Hough	SB 133-Moon

SB 134-Moon	SB 181-Crawford
SB 135-Moon	SB 182-Arthur
SB 136-Eslinger	SB 183-Arthur
SB 137-Eslinger	SB 184-Arthur
SB 138-Eslinger	SB 185-Bernskoetter
SB 139-Bean	SB 186-Brown (16)
SB 140-Bean	SB 187-Brown (16)
SB 141-Bean	SB 188-Brown (16)
SB 142-Beck	SB 189-Luetkemeyer
SB 143-Beck	SB 190-Luetkemeyer
SB 144-Beck	SB 191-Luetkemeyer
SB 145-Roberts	SB 192-May
SB 146-Roberts	SB 193-May
SB 147-Roberts	SB 194-May
SB 148-Mosley	SB 195-Williams
SB 149-Mosley	SB 196-Williams
SB 150-Mosley	SB 197-Williams
SB 151-Fitzwater	SB 198-Thompson Rehder
SB 152-Trent	SB 199-Thompson Rehder
SB 153-Trent	SB 200-Brattin
SB 154-Trent	SB 201-Brattin
SB 155-Black	SB 202-Brattin
SB 156-Black	SB 203-Moon
SB 157-Black	SB 204-Moon
SB 158-Schroer	SB 205-Moon
SB 159-Schroer	SB 206-Eslinger
SB 160-Schroer	SB 207-Eslinger
SB 161-Coleman	SB 208-Eslinger
SB 162-Coleman	SB 209-Bean
SB 163-Coleman	SB 210-Bean
SB 164-Carter	SB 211-Bean
SB 165-Carter	SB 212-Beck
SB 166-Carter	SB 213-Beck
SB 167-Brown (26)	SB 214-Beck
SB 168-Brown (26)	SB 215-Roberts and Luetkemeyer
SB 169-Brown (26)	SB 216-Roberts
SB 170-Hoskins	SB 217-Roberts
SB 171-Hoskins	SB 218-Mosley
SB 172-Hoskins	SB 219-Mosley
SB 173-Koenig	SB 220-Mosley
SB 174-Koenig	SB 221-Trent
SB 175-Koenig	SB 222-Trent
SB 176-Eigel	SB 223-Trent
SB 177-Eigel	SB 224-Schroer
SB 178-Eigel	SB 225-Schroer
SB 179-Crawford	SB 226-Schroer
SB 180-Crawford	SB 227-Coleman



SB 228-Coleman	SB 276-Trent
SB 229-Colemen	SB 277-Hoskins
SB 230-Carter	SB 278-Hoskins
SB 232-Carter	SB 279-Hoskins
SB 233-Brown (26)	SB 280-Eigel
SB 234-Brown (26)	SB 281-Eigel
SB 235-Hoskins	SB 282-Eigel
SB 236-Hoskins	SB 283-Arthur
SB 237-Hoskins	SB 284-Arthur
SB 238-Koenig	SB 285-Arthur
SB 239-Koenig	SB 286-Brattin
SB 240-Koenig	SB 287-Brattin
SB 241-Eigel	SB 288-Brattin
SB 242-Eigel	SB 289-Moon
SB 243-Eigel	SB 290-Moon
SB 244-Arthur	SB 291-Moon
SB 245-Arthur	SB 292-Beck
SB 246-Arthur	SB 293-Beck
SB 247-Brown (16)	SB 294-Beck
SB 248-Brown (16)	SB 295-Mosley
SB 249-Brown (16)	SB 296-Mosley
SB 250-Luetkemeyer	SB 297-Mosley
SB 251-May	SB 298-Trent
SB 252-May	SB 299-Hoskins
SB 253-Williams	SB 300-Hoskins
SB 254-Williams	SB 301-Hoskins
SB 255-Brattin	SB 302-Eigel
SB 256-Brattin	SB 303-Eigel
SB 257-Brattin	SB 304-Eigel
SB 258-Moon	SB 305-Arthur
SB 259-Moon	SB 306-Arthur
SB 260-Moon	SB 307-Arthur
SB 261-Eslinger	SB 308-Brattin
SB 262-Eslinger	SB 309-Moon
SB 263-Eslinger	SB 310-Beck
SB 264-Bean	SB 311-Beck
SB 265-Bean	SB 312-Beck
SB 266-Bean	SB 313-Mosley
SB 267-Beck	SB 314-Mosley
SB 268-Beck	SB 315-Mosley
SB 269-Beck	SB 316-Hoskins
SB 270-Roberts	SB 317-Eigel
SB 271-Mosley	SB 318-Eigel
SB 272-Mosley	SB 319-Eigel
SB 273-Mosley	SB 320-Mosley
SB 274-Trent	SB 321-Mosley
SB 275-Trent	SB 322-Mosley

SB 323-Eigel	SB 370-May
SB 324-Mosley	SB 371-May
SB 325-Mosley	SB 372-May
SB 326-Mosley	SB 373-Trent
SB 327-Mosley	SB 374-Cierpiot
SB 328-Mosley	SB 375-Cierpiot
SB 329-Mosley	SB 376-Trent
SB 330-Mosley	SB 377-Coleman
SB 331-Eigel	SB 378-Rowden
SB 332-Brattin	SB 379-Crawford
SB 333-Trent	SB 380-Williams
SB 334-Hoskins	SB 381-Thompson Rehder
SB 335-Crawford	SB 382-Gannon
SB 336-Crawford	SB 383-Gannon
SB 337-Crawford	SB 384-Gannon
SB 338-Razer	SB 385-Bean
SB 339-Razer	SB 386-Trent
SB 340-Razer	SB 387-Trent
SB 341-Trent	SB 388-Hough
SB 342-Trent	SB 389-Hough
SB 343-Razer	SB 390-Brattin
SB 344-Razer	SB 391-Brattin
SB 345-Beck	SB 392-Brattin
SB 346-Crawford	SB 393-Bernskoetter
SB 347-Trent	SB 394-Bernskoetter
SB 348-Trent	SB 395-Bernskoetter
SB 349-Trent	SB 396-Gannon
SB 350-Hoskins	SB 397-Razer
SB 351-Brown (16)	SB 398-Schroer
SB 352-Trent	SB 399-Schroer
SB 353-Hough	SB 400-Schroer
SB 354-Hough	SB 401-Bernskoetter
SB 355-Brown (16)	SB 402-Bernskoetter
SB 356-Moon	SB 403-Bernskoetter
SB 357-Moon	SB 404-Schroer
SB 358-Moon	SB 405-Schroer
SB 359-Coleman	SB 406-Schroer
SB 360-Koenig	SB 407-Bernskoetter
SB 361-Koenig	SB 408-Schroer
SB 362-Koenig	SB 409-Schroer
SB 363-Roberts	SB 410-Koenig
SB 364-Carter	SB 411-Brown (26)
SB 365-Crawford	SB 412-Brown (26)
SB 366-Crawford	SB 413-Hoskins
SB 367-Luetkemeyer	SB 414-Rowden
SB 368-Thompson Rehder	SB 415-Arthur
SB 369-Brown (16)	SB 416-Arthur

SB 417-Arthur	SB 464-Luetkemeyer
SB 418-Brown (16)	SB 465-Schroer
SB 419-Gannon	SB 466-Schroer
SB 420-Gannon	SB 467-Schroer
SB 421-Gannon	SB 468-Roberts
SB 422-Beck	SB 469-Hoskins
SB 423-Washington	SB 470-Bernskoetter
SB 424-Washington	SB 471-Bernskoetter
SB 425-Washington	SB 472-Bernskoetter
SB 426-Eslinger	SB 473-Hough
SB 427-Eslinger	SB 474-Hough
SB 428-Carter	SB 475-Fitzwater
SB 429-Carter	SB 476-Trent
SB 430-Carter	SB 477-Brattin
SB 431-McCreery	SB 478-Cierpiot
SB 432-Gannon	SB 479-Cierpiot
SB 433-Washington	SB 480-Thompson Rehder
SB 434-Washington	SB 481-Thompson Rehder
SB 435-Washington	SB 482-Schroer
SB 436-Carter	SB 483-Eigel
SB 437-Washington	SB 484-Eigel
SB 438-Washington	SB 485-Roberts
SB 439-Washington	SB 486-Williams
SB 440-Washington	SB 487-Williams
SB 441-Washington	SB 488-Coleman
SB 442-Washington	SB 489-Schroer
SB 443-Washington	SB 490-Schroer
SB 444-Washington	SB 491-Cierpiot
SB 445-Washington	SB 492-Trent
SB 446-Washington	SB 493-Crawford
SB 447-Washington	SB 494-Eslinger
SB 448-Luetkemeyer and Williams	SB 495-Eslinger
SB 449-Black	SB 496-Eslinger
SB 450-Cierpiot	SB 497-Eigel
SB 451-Trent	SB 498-Eigel
SB 452-Moon	SB 499-Eigel
SB 453-Moon	SB 500-Eigel
SB 454-Carter	SB 501-Eigel
SB 455-Roberts	SB 502-Schroer
SB 456-Schroer	SB 503-Thompson Rehder
SB 457-Schroer	SB 504-Thompson Rehder
SB 458-Coleman	SB 505-Thompson Rehder
SB 459-Schroer	SB 506-Moon
SB 460-Brown (16)	SB 507-Gannon
SB 461-Gannon	SB 508-Brown(26)
SB 462-Gannon	SB 509-Arthur
SB 463-Koenig	SB 510-Razer

SB 511-Crawford  
 SB 512-McCreery  
 SB 513-Hoskins  
 SB 514-Hoskins  
 SB 515-McCreery  
 SB 516-McCreery  
 SB 517-Roberts  
 SJR 9-Eigel  
 SJR 10-Crawford  
 SJR 11-Cierpiot  
 SJR 12-Cierpiot  
 SJR 13-Cierpiot  
 SJR 14-Brown (16)  
 SJR 15-Luetkemeyer  
 SJR 16-Luetkemeyer  
 SJR 17-Brattin  
 SJR 18-Brattin  
 SJR 19-Moon  
 SJR 20-Moon

SJR 21-Roberts  
 SJR 22-Mosley  
 SJR 23-Mosley  
 SJR 24-Mosley  
 SJR 25-Fitzwater  
 SJR 26-Fitzwater  
 SJR 27-Trent  
 SJR 28-Carter  
 SJR 29-Carter  
 SJR 30-Brown (26)  
 SJR 31-Brittan  
 SJR 32-Moon  
 SJR 33-Moon  
 SJR 34-Schroer  
 SJR 35-Schroer  
 SJR 36-Washington  
 SJR 37-Cierpiot  
 SJR 38-Black

INFORMAL CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS

SR 22-Roberts

To be Referred

SCR 6-Arthur

✓