

# Journal of the Senate

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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**THIRTY-SIXTH DAY - THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024**

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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Fitzwater in the Chair.

Senator Bernskoetter offered the following prayer:

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.” (Romans 12: 2)

Heavenly Father, as we finish up our business of the State today, help us to be mindful and humble of the calling we have to serve the people of the State of Missouri. As we prepare to take Spring break, grant us all the opportunity to reflect and rest so that when we come back together we can be transformed by the renewing of our mind so that we can seek ways to better the lives of every citizen, from the young to the old, of this great state in which we serve. 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.

Photographers from Gray TV, Nexstar Media Group, and KOMU-8 were given permission to take pictures in the Senate Chamber.

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

Present—Senators

Arthur	Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (26th Dist.)
Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Eigel	Eslinger	Fitzwater
Hoskins	Koenig	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery	Moon	Mosley
O’Laughlin	Razer	Rizzo	Roberts	Rowden	Schroer	Thompson Rehder
Trent	Washington	Williams—31				

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senators

Brown (16th Dist.)	Gannon	Hough—3
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Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

President Kehoe assumed the Chair.

## RESOLUTIONS

Senator Coleman offered Senate Resolution No. 779, regarding Everly Boyd, Cedar Hill, which was adopted.

Senator Brown (26) offered Senate Resolution No. 780, regarding Eagle Scout Brody Alexander Thoenen, Loose Creek, which was adopted.

Senator Thompson Rehder offered Senate Resolution No. 781, regarding Jay Wolz, Cape Girardeau, which was adopted.

Senator Thompson Rehder offered Senate Resolution No. 782, regarding Hair Design Studio, Cape Girardeau, which was adopted.

Senator Thompson Rehder offered Senate Resolution No. 783, regarding James "Jim" W. Riley Jr., Cape Girardeau, which was adopted.

Senator Thompson Rehder offered Senate Resolution No. 784, regarding Jeff Rawson, Jackson, which was adopted.

Senator Thompson Rehder offered Senate Resolution No. 785, regarding Laura Younghouse, Cape Girardeau, which was adopted.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Senator Rowden, Chairman of the Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments, submitted the following reports, reading of which was waived:

Mr. President: Your Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments, to which were referred the following appointments and reappointment, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate do give its advice and consent to the following:

Tony Helfrecht, Independent, and William (Buddy) Hardin IV, Republican, as members of the Board of Probation and Parole;

Also,

Timothy Harper, Republican, as the Eastern District Commissioner of the Clark County Commission;

Also,

Travis Elliot, Republican, Jamie Johansen, Independent, and Byron Roach, Democrat, as members of the State Fair Commission; and

Becky Whithaus, as a member of the Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority.

Senator Rowden requested unanimous consent of the Senate to vote on the above reports in one motion. There being no objection, the request was granted.

Senator Rowden moved that the committee report be adopted, and the Senate do give its advice and consent to the above appointments and reappointment, which motion prevailed.

Senator Thompson Rehder, Chair of the Committee on Fiscal Oversight, submitted the following report:

Mr. President: Your Committee on Fiscal Oversight, to which was referred **SS No. 2** for **SCS** for **SB 727**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

On behalf of Senator Brown (16), Chair of the Committee on Emerging Issues, Senator Thompson Rehder submitted the following report:

Mr. President: Your Committee on Emerging Issues, to which was referred **SB 1453**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

**THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS**

**SS No. 2** for **SCS** for **SB 727**, introduced by Senator Koenig, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE NO. 2 FOR  
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 727

An Act to repeal sections 135.713, 135.714, 135.715, 160.011, 160.041, 160.400, 160.415, 161.670, 162.471, 162.492, 162.611, 162.996, 163.011, 163.018, 163.021, 163.044, 163.172, 166.700, 167.031, 167.061, 167.071, 167.600, 167.619, 167.850, 168.021, 168.110, 168.400, 168.500, 169.560, 169.660, 170.048, 171.031, 171.033, 173.232, 210.167, 210.211, 211.031, 452.375, and 595.209, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof forty-four new sections relating to elementary and secondary education, with penalty provisions and an effective date for certain sections.

Was taken up.

On motion of Senator Koenig **SS No. 2** for **SCS** for **SB 727** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

Bean	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (26th Dist.)	Cierpiot	Coleman
Crawford	Eigel	Eslinger	Fitzwater	Hoskins	Koenig	Luetkemeyer
O'Laughlin	Rowden	Schroer	Thompson Rehder	Trent—19		

NAYS—Senators

Arthur	Beck	McCreery	Moon	Mosley	Razer	Rizzo
Roberts	Washington	Williams—10				

Absent—Senators

Carter	May—2
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Absent with leave—Senators

Brown (16th Dist.)	Gannon	Hough—3
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Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Koenig, title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Koenig moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator O'Laughlin moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

**SCR 22**, introduced by Senator Carter, entitled:

Relating to missions of institutions of higher education.

Was taken up.

On motion of Senator Carter, **SCR 22** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

## YEAS—Senators

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

## NAYS—Senators

Razer	Rowden	Washington	Williams—4
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Absent—Senator May—1

Absent with leave—Senators

Brown (16th Dist.)	Gannon	Hough—3
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Vacancies—None

The President declared the concurrent resolution passed.

On motion of Senator Carter, title to the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

Senator Carter moved that the vote by which the concurrent resolution passed be reconsidered.

Senator O'Laughlin moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Senator Crawford introduced to the Senate, Rookie kicker for the New Orleans Saints, Blake Grupe; his parents, Sarah and Brad Grupe; his brother, Brett; and his sister, Lauren, Sedalia.

Senator May introduced to the Senate, Theodore Pullen and John Fort.

Senator Arthur introduced to the Senate, Cici Rojas, Kansas City.

Senator Brown (26) introduced to the Senate, Jan Haviland, Linn.

Senator Bean introduced to the Senate, Laura Hunter Collins; her husband, Ryan; and daughters, Hunter and Maggie, Stoddard County.

Senator Thompson Rehder introduced to the Senate, Sherry Branch-Maxwell, Bertrand; and Patricia Erzfeld, Perryville.

Senator Williams introduced to the Senate, Kennimarie Bell, Berkeley.

Senator Luetkemeyer introduced to the Senate, Natalie Hawn, St. Joseph.

Senator Mosley introduced to the Senate, Lowry Finely-Jackson.

The President introduced to the Senate, 2024 Women of Achievement Award recipients.

Senator Black introduced to the Senate, Kelly Deering, Chillicothe.

Senator Bernskoetter introduced to the Senate, State Champions Blair Oaks Volleyball.

On motion of Senator O’Laughlin, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

SENATE CALENDAR

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THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY-TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024

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FORMAL CALENDAR

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

HCS for HB 1569	HB 1751-Haffner
HCS for HB 2016	HB 1518-Hudson
HCS for HJR 68 & 79	HCS for HB 2352
HB 2287-Christofanelli	HCS for HB 2279
HB 2111-Christofanelli	HB 1486-Shields
HCS for HBs 2322 & 1774	HB 1604-Hinman
HB 2282-Lovasco	HB 1713-Schnelting
HB 2385-Keathley	HCS for HB 2065
HCS for HB 2431	HB 1496-Griffith

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SS for SCS for SB 912-Brown (26)  
(In Fiscal Oversight)

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. SB 801-Fitzwater, with SCS        | 7. SB 903-Schroer            |
| 2. SB 1111-Black                     | 8. SB 1359-Trent             |
| 3. SBs 894 & 825-Fitzwater, with SCS | 9. SB 835-Crawford, with SCS |
| 4. SB 1207-Hoskins                   | 10. SB 845-Bernskoetter      |
| 5. SJR 50-Koenig, with SCS           | 11. SB 900-Black             |
| 6. SB 834-Crawford, with SCS         | 12. SJR 78-Brown (26)        |

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| 13. SB 1351-Luetkemeyer, with SCS | 17. SB 735-Eigel and Moon, with SCS |
| 14. SB 782-Bean, with SCS         | 18. SB 1036-Razer, with SCS         |
| 15. SB 898-Black                  | 19. SB 1391-Luetkemeyer, with SCS   |
| 16. SB 734-Eigel, with SCS        |                                     |

### INFORMAL CALENDAR

#### SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

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| SB 739-Cierpiot  | SB 847-Hough, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 1<br>(pending)  |
| SB 740-Cierpiot, with SCS                                      | SB 848-Hough  |
| SB 742-Arthur, with SS (pending)                               | SB 850-Brown (16)   |
| SB 745-Bernskoetter, with SS & SA 1(pending)                   | SB 862-Thompson Rehder, with SS & SA 7<br>(pending)   |
| SB 748-Hough   | SB 872-Eslinger, with SS & SA 1 (pending)   |
| SB 750-Hough, with SCS & SA 1 (pending)                        | SB 876-Bean, with SCS & SS for SCS (pending)  |
| SBs 767 & 1342-Thompson Rehder, with SCS                       | SB 964-Razer, with SS & SA 5 (pending)  |
| SB 772-Gannon  | SB 984-Schroer  |
| SB 778-Eslinger, with SS & SA 1 (pending)                      | SBs 1168 & 810-Coleman, with SCS, SS for<br>SCS, SA 2, SA 1 to SA 2 & point of order<br>(pending) |
| SB 799-Fitzwater and Eigel, with SCS &<br>SS for SCS (pending) | SB 1199-Trent   |
| SB 811-Coleman, with SCS, SS#2 for SCS &<br>SA 1 (pending)     | SB 1375-Eslinger  |
| SB 818-Brown (26) and Coleman, with SS &<br>SA 2 (pending)     | SB 1392-Trent   |
| SB 830-Rowden, with SS, SA 2 &<br>point of order (pending)     |   |

### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### Senate Bills

Reported 3/14

SB 1453-Brown (16)

### RESOLUTIONS

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|--------------|-------------|
| SR 557-Eigel | SR 561-Moon |
| SR 558-Eigel | SR 562-Moon |

SR 563-Moon  
SR 631-May

SR 647-Coleman

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