

# Journal of the Senate

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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**FOURTEENTH DAY - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024**

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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Kehoe in the Chair.

The Reverend Steven George offered the following prayer:

"In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps." (Proverbs 16:9 NIV)

Almighty God, as we continue the work put before us, we ask that You would lead us and guide us—establish our steps. Help us to seek Your wisdom and guidance in each decision we make and step we take. We thank You for the freedoms we have in this great country, and we ask that You would continue to bless our state and help us to thrive. We ask this in Your Holy Name, 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 Nexstar Media Group 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 (16th 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—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senator Brown (26th Dist.)—1

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

The Senate observed a moment of silence for former first lady and U.S. Senator, Jean Carnahan.

## RESOLUTIONS

Senator Thompson Rehder offered Senate Resolution No. 639, regarding the City of Perryville, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 640, regarding Eagle Scout Michael Goolsby, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 641, regarding Eagle Scout Nathan Wiltrout, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 642, regarding Eagle Scout John Wu, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 643, regarding Eagle Scout Ace Doyle Little, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 644, regarding Eagle Scout Logan Nicholas Hutchens, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 645, regarding Eagle Scout Kaylin Faith Evans, Warrensburg, which was adopted.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

**SB 1374**—By Gannon.

An Act to amend chapter 454, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to restitution payments for certain persons convicted of the offense of driving while intoxicated.

**SB 1375**—By Eslinger.

An Act to repeal section 161.670, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the virtual school program.

**SB 1376**—By Moon.

An Act to amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to allowing public schools to employ or accept chaplains as volunteers.

**SB 1377**—By Cierpiot.

An Act to amend chapter 590, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to automated license plate reader systems.

**SB 1378**—By Arthur.

An Act to repeal section 163.011, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the calculation of weighted average daily attendance, with an effective date.

**SB 1379**—By Arthur.

An Act to repeal section 600.042, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the funding for the office of the public defender.

**SB 1380**—By Washington.

An Act to repeal section 135.1610, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to tax credits for improving access to food.

**SB 1381**—By Washington.

An Act to amend chapter 227, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the designation of infrastructure.

**SB 1382**—By Washington.

An Act to repeal section 190.098, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to community paramedics.

**SJR 87**—By Koenig.

Joint Resolution submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment to article III of the Constitution of Missouri, by adding thereto one new section relating to abortion, with penalty provisions.

Senator Hough assumed the Chair.

### MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message was received from the Governor, reading of which was waived:

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
January 31, 2024

To the Senate of the 102<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I hereby withdraw from your consideration the following appointments:

Robert Cirtin, 785 East Kings Carriage Boulevard, Nixa, Christian County, Missouri 65714, as a member of the Board of Private Investigator and Private Fire Investigator Examiners, for a term ending March 4, 2027, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Thomas H. Skinner, term expired.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael L. Parson  
Governor

President Pro Tem Rowden moved that the above appointment be returned to the Governor per his request, which motion prevailed.

### 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, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate do give its advice and consent to the following:

Andrew Grimm, Democrat, as a member of the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee;

Also,

Susan J. Eickhoff, as a member of the Missouri State Board of Accountancy;

Also,

Judith W. Meyer, Independent, as a member of the Missouri Charter Public School Commission;

Also,

John LaRocca, as a member of the Missouri Wine and Grape Board;

Also,

William E. Ekey, Democrat, as a member of the Health and Educational Facilities Authority of the State of Missouri;

Also,

Stuart (Stu) Rogers, Independent, as a member of the University of Central Missouri Board of Governors; and

Mike Phillips, as a member of the Missouri 911 Service Board.

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, which motion prevailed.

President Pro Tem Rowden assumed the Chair.

Senator Gannon, Chair of the Committee on Local Government and Elections, submitted the following report:

Mr. President: Your Committee on Local Government and Elections, to which were referred **SJR**s 74, 48, 59, 61, and 83, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

Senator Hough assumed the Chair.

### **MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

The following messages were 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 House has taken up and adopted **HCR 45**.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45

BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, of the State of Missouri, the Senate concurring therein, that the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session in the Hall of the House of Representatives at 10:15 a.m., Tuesday, February 6, 2024, to receive a message from Maor Elbaz-Starinsky, the Israeli Consul General in Miami, Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to inform the Senate of the adoption of this resolution.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Also,

Mr. President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 1989**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 163.161, 167.020, and 167.151, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof fourteen new sections relating to admission of nonresident pupils.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

### COMMUNICATIONS

President Pro Tem Rowden submitted the following:

January 31, 2024

Kristina Martin  
Secretary of the Senate  
State Capitol, Room 325  
Jefferson City, MO

Dear Mrs. Martin,

Pursuant to Rule 12, I am replacing Senator Caleb Rowden on Local Government and Elections Committee and appointing Senator Mary Elizabeth Coleman in the vacancy.

Sincerely,



Caleb Rowden

Also,

January 31, 2024

Kristina Martin  
Secretary of the Senate  
State Capitol, Room 325  
Jefferson City, MO

Dear Mrs. Martin;

Please be advised that I am hereby appointing Senator Elaine Gannon as an additional member to the Select Committee on Empowering Missouri Parents and Children.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need any assistance.

Sincerely,



Caleb Rowden

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Senator May introduced to the Senate, Dr. John Holds, St. Louis.

Senator Bean introduced to the Senate, Corey Henry, Wayne County.

Senator Arthur introduced to the Senate, Youth With Vision students, Mary Kimmerle; Jonas Beckham; Ayden Jones; Scout Colvin; Tinley Killingsworth; and Mason Saleni.

Senator Williams introduced to the Senate, Jalen Carter, University City.

On motion of Senator O’Laughlin, the Senate adjourned under the rules.

**SENATE CALENDAR**

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FIFTEENTH DAY—THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 01, 2024  
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**FORMAL CALENDAR****SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS**

SB 1362-Crawford	SB 1375-Eslinger
SB 1363-Crawford	SB 1376-Moon
SB 1364-Gannon	SB 1377-Cierpiot
SB 1365-Fitzwater	SB 1378-Arthur
SB 1366-Trent	SB 1379-Arthur
SB 1367-McCreery	SB 1380-Washington
SB 1368-Thompson Rehder	SB 1381-Washington
SB 1369-Carter	SB 1382-Washington
SB 1370-Black	SJR 84-Mosley
SB 1371-Black	SJR 85-Cierpiot
SB 1372-Eigel	SJR 86-Carter
SB 1373-Thompson Rehder	SJR 87-Koenig
SB 1374-Gannon	

**HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING**

HCS for HB 1989

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 748-Hough  
SB 727-Koenig, with SCS

SJR 74, 48, 59, 61 & 83-Coleman, with SCS

INFORMAL CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS

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

SR 563-Moon  
SR 631-May  
HCR 37-Patterson (O'Laughlin)  
HCR 45-Patterson (O'Laughlin)

To be Referred

SCR 27-Arthur  
SCR 28-Coleman

SCR 29-Carter  
SCR 30-Fitzwater

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