

Journal of the Senate

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

FIFTIETH DAY - THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Wasinger in the Chair.

The Reverend Stephen George offered the following prayer:

“Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord.” (Psalm 40:4a NIV)

Almighty God, we thank You for carrying us through this week, for giving us the strength to stand for what is right, and for guiding our decisions. Your Word reminds us that blessings come to those who trust in You, so we ask that You would help us to trust You in every decision we make, knowing that our state and nation are in Your hands. May we return home this weekend not only as leaders, but also as faithful spouses, parents, and members of our communities. Bless our time of rest, renew our spirit, and prepare us for the challenges ahead. 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.

The Senate observed a moment of silence for victims of the Lexington, Missouri pipeline explosion.

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

Present—Senators

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| Bean | Beck | Bernskoetter | Black | Brattin | Brown (26) | Burger |
| Carter | Cierpiot | Coleman | Crawford | Fitzwater | Gregory (15) | Gregory (21) |
| Henderson | Hough | Hudson | Lewis | Luetkemeyer | May | McCreery |
| Moon | Mosley | Nicola | Nurrenbern | O’Laughlin | Roberts | Schnelting |
| Schroer | Trent | Washington | Webber | Williams—33 | | |

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senator Brown (16)—1

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

RESOLUTIONS

Senator Black offered Senate Resolution No. 355, regarding Seth Hansen, Chillicothe, which was adopted.

Senator Burger offered Senate Resolution No. 356, regarding Keagan Zschille, Jackson, which was adopted.

Senator Black offered Senate Resolution No. 357, regarding Eagle Scout Ethan Rencarge, Amazonia, which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator O’Laughlin, Chair 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 reappointments, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate do give its advice and consent to the following:

John Raines, Independent, as a member of the University of Missouri Board of Curators;

Also,

Mason Bell, Republican, Marcy Hammerle Coletti, Democrat, Michael Pfander, Republican, and Christopher Rohlfing, Independent, as members of the Missouri Veterinary Medical Board;

Also,

Rodney Schad, Republican, as a member of the State Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority;

Also,

Paul Stephen Buckley, Republican, and Chris Slinkard, Republican, as members of the Missouri Commission on Human Rights;

Also,

Matthew Haase, Republican, as a member of the Jackson County Sports Complex Authority;

Also,

Jeremiah Manley, as a member of the State Board of Mediation;

Also,

Adli Jacobs, as a member of the Truman State University Board of Governors; and

Victor Pasley, Independent, and Richard Popp, Republican, as members of the Lincoln University Board of Curators.

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

Senator O’Laughlin moved that the committee report be adopted, and the Senate do give its advice and consent to the above appointments and reappointments, which motion prevailed.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin assumed the Chair.

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

Madam President: Your Committee on Fiscal Oversight, to which was referred **SS** for **SB 266**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

Senator Fitzwater, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety, to which was referred **HB 810**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

President Wasinger assumed the Chair.

Senator Hough, Chair of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following reports:

Madam President: Your Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred **SB 586**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

Also,

Madam President: Your Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred **SB 753**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SS for **SB 266**, introduced by Senator Fitzwater, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 266

An Act to repeal section 161.670, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to assessment of virtual school students.

Was taken up.

On motion of Senator Fitzwater, **SS** for **SB 266** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

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| Bean | Bernskoetter | Black | Brattin | Brown (26) | Burger | Carter |
| Cierpiot | Coleman | Fitzwater | Gregory (15) | Gregory (21) | Henderson | Hough |
| Hudson | Lewis | Luetkemeyer | May | McCreery | Moon | Mosley |
| Nicola | Nurrenbern | O'Laughlin | Roberts | Schnelting | Schroer | Washington |
| Webber | Williams—30 | | | | | |

NAYS—Senator Beck—1

Absent—Senators

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| Crawford | Trent—2 |
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Absent with leave—Senator Brown (16)—1

Vacancies—None

SS for SCS for SBs 166 and 155, introduced by Senator Gregory (21), entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILLS NOS. 166 and 155

An Act to amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to cardiac emergency response plans.

Was taken up.

On motion of Senator Gregory (21), **SS for SCS for SBs 166 and 155** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

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| Bean | Beck | Bernskoetter | Black | Brattin | Brown (26) | Burger |
| Carter | Cierpiot | Coleman | Fitzwater | Gregory (15) | Gregory (21) | Henderson |
| Hough | Hudson | Lewis | Luetkemeyer | May | McCreery | Moon |
| Mosley | Nicola | Nurrenbern | O'Laughlin | Roberts | Schnelting | Schroer |
| Trent | Washington | Webber | Williams—32 | | | |

NAYS—Senators—None

Absent—Senator Crawford—1

Absent with leave—Senator Brown (16)—1

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

On motion of Senator Gregory (21), title to the bill was agreed to.

Senator Gregory (21) moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered.

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

Senator Fitzwater moved that **SS for SB 266** be taken up for titling and perfecting.

SS for SB 266 was taken up.

The President declared the bill passed.

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

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

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

SS for SCS for SB 133, introduced by Senator Fitzwater, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 133

An Act to repeal sections 319.015, 319.022, 319.024, 319.025, 319.026, 319.027, 319.030, 319.031, and 319.035, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eleven new sections relating to underground facilities.

Was taken up.

On motion of Senator Fitzwater, **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 133** was read the 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators

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| Bean | Beck | Bernskoetter | Black | Brattin | Brown (26) | Burger |
| Carter | Cierpiot | Coleman | Fitzwater | Gregory (15) | Gregory (21) | Henderson |
| Hough | Hudson | Lewis | Luetkemeyer | May | McCreery | Moon |
| Mosley | Nicola | Nurrenbern | O’Laughlin | Roberts | Schnelting | Schroer |
| Trent | Washington | Webber | Williams—32 | | | |

NAYS—Senators—None

Absent—Senator Crawford—1

Absent with leave—Senator Brown (16)—1

Vacancies—None

The President declared the bill passed.

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

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

Senator Luetkemeyer moved that motion lay on the table, which motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

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

GOVERNOR
STATE OF MISSOURI
April 10, 2025

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Joseph A. Barbaglia, Democrat, 5521 Daggett Avenue, Saint Louis City, Missouri 63110, as a member of the St. Louis City Board of Election Commissioners, for a term ending January 10, 2028, or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Josph A. Barbaglia, reappointed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Kehoe
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR
STATE OF MISSOURI
April 10, 2025

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Cary Corley, 303 Northeast Sunderland Court, Lee’s Summit, Jackson County, Missouri 64064, as a member of the Committee of Professional Counselors, for a term ending August 28, 2028, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Cindy Baker, term expired.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Kehoe
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR
STATE OF MISSOURI
April 10, 2025

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

W. Dudley McCarter, Independent, 338 Peekskill Drive, Saint Louis, Saint Louis County, Missouri 63141, as a member of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education, for a term ending June 27, 2028, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, W. Dudley McCarter, reappointed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Kehoe
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR
STATE OF MISSOURI
April 10, 2025

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Andrew L. Schwartz, Republican, 10 Homeland Place, St. Louis City, Missouri 63019, as a member of the St. Louis City Board of Election Commissioners, for a term ending January 10, 2029, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Andrew L. Schwartz, reappointed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Kehoe
Governor

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin referred the above appointment and reappointments to the Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin referred **SR 352** to the Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics.

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

The following Bills were read the 2nd time and referred to the Committee indicated:

HCS for HB 1116—Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources.

HB 596—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 313—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HCS for HBs 513, 413, and 536—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HCS for HB 267—Education.

HB 369—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HB 388—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HB 416—Education.

HCS for HBs 575 and 551—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HCS for HBs 195 and 1119—Families, Seniors, and Health.

HB 437—General Laws.

HB 207—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 825—Families, Seniors, and Health.

HCS for HB 268—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 58—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 122—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 397—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 325—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HB 765—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HCS for HB 202—Economic and Workforce Development.

HB 780—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HCS for HB 1175—Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety.

HCS for HB 497—General Laws.

HB 1122—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HCS for HB 1037—Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence.

HCS for HB 176—Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 707—Insurance and Banking.

HCS for HB 378—Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety.

HB 49—Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 147—General Laws.

HCS for HB 169—Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources.

HCS for HBs 44 and 426—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HCS for HBs 145 and 59—General Laws.

HCS for HB 105—General Laws.

HB 42—Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety.

HCS for HB 489—Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources.

HB 520—Government Efficiency.

HCS for HB 794—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HB 770—Economic and Workforce Development.

HCS for HBs 408, 306, and 854—Education.

HB 138—Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety.

HB 543—Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence.

HCS for HBs 1363, 1062, and 1254—Education.

HB 1049—Insurance and Banking.

HCS for HB 507—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

HCS for HBs 493 and 635—Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy & the Environment.

HB 183—Education.

HB 478—Emerging Issues and Professional Registration.

HB 262—Veterans and Military Affairs.

HCS for HB 835—Families, Seniors, and Health.

HCS for HB 970—Appropriations.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives through its Chief Clerk:

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 992**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 43.546, 210.482, 210.487, and 590.060, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof forty-two new sections relating to criminal background checks.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS for HB 1346**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 68.010, 68.015, 68.025, 68.035, 68.040, 68.045, 68.055, 68.057, 68.060, 68.075, 68.080, 68.205, and 68.259, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof fourteen new sections relating to port authorities.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HBs 1524** and **1580**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 67.1461, RSMo, and section 67.1421 as enacted by house bill no. 1606, one hundred first general assembly, second regular session, and section 67.1421 as enacted by senate bills nos. 153 & 97, one hundred first general assembly, first regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to an entertainment district.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Senator Williams introduced to the Senate, Lena, Laila, Terri; and Chris Williams; and Kelly Eggers, St. Louis.

Senator Coleman introduced to the Senate, Macey and Miles Crostic, House Springs; and Macey and Myles were made honorary pages.

Senator Beck introduced to the Senate, Affton High School AP Government and Politics teachers, Jennifer Pickett and Tony Muyco; and students, Mercury Clark; Ryleigh Head; Zander Newell; Emma Roberts; Piper Thomas; and Ella Foy; and Ember Walworth and her parents, Bradley and Lindsey.

Senator Burger introduced to the Senate, Jaedyn Hethcote; her parents, Jonathon and Andrea and her sister, Aubry.

Senator Bean introduced to the Senate, Elliott, Derrick, and Liz Furlow; and Joni Boone, Kennett.

Senator Lewis introduced to the Senate, Missouri American Academy of Pediatrics.

Senator Mosley introduced to the Senate, Ka'Mina Peppers, her mother, Katrina; her father, John Nelson; Denise Curtic; Shakima Morris; and Samorea Robins Allen.

Senator May introduced to the Senate, Kat Walker; and Forsyth School principal, Robert Butler; teacher, Kristin Veldhuizen; and Zachery Boyd; and Zachery was made an honorary page.

On motion of Senator Trent, the Senate adjourned until 4:00 p.m., Monday, April 14, 2025.

SENATE CALENDAR

 FIFTY-FIRST DAY—MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025

FORMAL CALENDAR

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

HCS for HB 5
HB 992-Myers

HCS for HB 1346
HCS for HBs 1524 & 1580

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SS for SCS for SB 80-Gregory (21)
(In Fiscal Oversight)
SS for SJR 46-Carter
(In Fiscal Oversight)

SS for SB 120-Bean
(In Fiscal Oversight)

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

1. SJR 40-Carter, et al, with SCS
2. SB 104-Bernskoetter, with SCS
3. SB 271-Black, with SCS
4. SB 217-Black, with SCS
5. SB 240-Burger
6. SB 506-Schroer
7. SB 196-Moon

8. SB 100-Cierpiot
9. SB 83-Burger, with SCS
10. SB 85-Nicola, with SCS
11. SB 162-Schnelting
12. SB 586-Hough
13. SB 753-Hough

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HCS for HB 75 (Schnelting)
HCS#2 for HBs 567, 546, 758 &
958 (Bernskoetter)
HCS for HBs 595 & 343 (Schroer)

HB 742-Baker, with SCS (Brattin)
HB 68-Overcast (Trent)
(In Fiscal Oversight)

INFORMAL CALENDAR

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 5-Cierpiot
SB 6-Cierpiot
SB 8-Bernskoetter
SB 14-Brown (16)
SB 23-Brattin, with SCS

SB 31-Beck
SB 45-Fitzwater and Carter
SB 46-Trent and Coleman
SBs 52 & 44-Schroer and Carter, with SCS,
SS for SCS & SA 3 (pending)

SB 54-Schroer, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 3
(pending)
SB 58-Carter and Moon, with SCS
SB 62-Brown (26), with SCS
SB 69-Henderson, with SS, SA 1 &
SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)
SB 77-Schnelting, et al, with SS, SA 1 &
SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)
SB 84-Burger
SB 87-Nicola, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 1
(pending)
SB 99-Crawford, with SCS

SBs 101 & 64-Cierpiot, with SCS
SB 107-Brown (16) and Black, with SS (pending)
SB 185-Cierpiot
SB 190-Brown (16) and Gregory (21),
with SS & SA 2 (pending)
SBs 215 & 70-Trent, with SCS
SB 223-Coleman
SB 225-Coleman
SB 230-Brown (26)
SB 360-Carter, with SS & SA 1 (pending)
SB 485-Schroer and Schnelting
SJR 62-Cierpiot

CONSENT CALENDAR

House Bills

Reported 4/10

HB 810-Baker, with SCS (Schnelting)

RESOLUTIONS

SR 18-May
SR 32-Moon

SR 39-Nurrenbern

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