

# SENATE COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL NO: HCS HJR's 173 & 174

SPONSOR: Davidson

HEARING DATE: 4/1/2026

COMMITTEE: Economic and Workforce Development	
CHAIRMAN: Brown (26)	
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Joshua Meyer - American Legislative Exchange Council  
Cary Wells - Missouri Freedom Principle.org  
Shannon Cooper - Kansas City  
Chance Hepola - Missouri Chamber  
Kristina Ingoglia - Developmental Disabilities organization  
Rich Aubuchon  
Laura Holloway - Missouri Municipal League

## WITNESSES FOR:

Juan Londoño - Taxpayers Protection Alliance (TPA)  
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Aaron Hedlund - CEA  
Jeff Overstreet  
Carrie Sheffield - Independent Women  
Austin Petersen  
Chandler Haynes - Missouri Republican Party  
Heather Overstreet  
Leah Vakmir - National Taxpayers Union  
Frank Pendleton  
Byron Keelin - Freedom Principle  
Dennis Ganahl - Missouri Tax Relief Now  
Brian Young  
Dennis Hull - Americans for Tax Reform  
Caleb Hunter  
Camellia Peterson - American's For Prosperity  
Elias Tsapelas - Show Me Institute

## WITNESSES AGAINST:

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David Klarich - Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys

Quentin Wilson

Jay Hardenbrook - AARP

Ray McCarty - Associated Industries of Missouri

Julie Carel

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Lisa Pannett - Armorvine

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Jason Zamkus - Missouri Association of Realtors

Jeff Glenn

Caitlin Whaley - Education org

Rob Didriksen

Chris Roepe - Missouri Retired Teachers Assn

Andy Briscoe - Missouri Bar Assn.

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Jeff Stack - Mid-MO Fellowship of Reconciliation

Jeremy LaFaver - MO Budget Project

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