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Capitol Report
May 24th, 2018

Last week marked the end of a very productive legislative session. The regular session came to a close with the General Assembly having Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed (TAFP) more than 145 bills. The bills approved this year cover a variety of topics including making real improvements for the people of Missouri by lowering taxes for working families, cutting bureaucratic red tape, providing expanded educational opportunities to young people, supporting the state's veterans, and protecting victims of human trafficking and domestic abuse. During the next several weeks I will share these bills with you, along with updates concerning the special session. I will begin this week's recap with House bills.

The Governor

The House Special Investigative Committee on Oversight has been hearing testimony from witnesses this week. Two minority party members have filed resolutions for the impeachment of the governor. These have been referred to the special committee.

The special session lasts 30 days and began at 6:30 PM on May 18. The special committee has several meetings slated for the near future, but the full House does not have a meeting scheduled at this time.

2018 Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed Bills

HB 1246 - Requires the Department of Public Safety to develop human trafficking hotline posters.

HB 1246 requires various establishments, specified in the bill, to display a poster that provides information regarding human trafficking, including what it is and what resources victims have for getting help, in a conspicuous place near the entrance of the establishment, starting March 1, 2019. Any establishment required to display the poster that fails to do so will be subject to the penalty provisions of this bill.

HB 1250 - Establishes the Missouri Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act, which allows fiduciaries to access electronic records of the account holder.

This bill specifies how a health savings account may be created. Currently, a trustee of a trust consisting of trust property having a total value less than \$100,000 may, after notice to qualified beneficiaries, terminate the trust if the trustee concludes that the value of the trust property is insufficient to justify the cost of administration. The bill increases the dollar amount to less than \$250,000.

HB 1252 - Changes the law regarding low-dose mammography screening

This bill adds digital mammography and breast tomosynthesis to the definition of low-dose mammography screening and beginning January 1, 2019, requires reimbursement rates to accurately reflect the resource costs specific to each modality, including any increased resource cost of breast tomosynthesis. Currently, insurance coverage is required for mammograms every two years for women age 40 to 49, unless a physician recommends more frequently and a mammogram every year for women age 50 and over. This bill modifies coverage for mammograms to every year for women age 40 and over.

HB 1268 - Allows the Missouri Dental Board to issue dental faculty permits to individuals who are employed by accredited dental schools, colleges, or programs in Missouri.

HB 1268 creates a dental faculty permit system to be implemented and enforced by the Missouri Dental Board. The bill authorizes the holder of a dental faculty permit to practice dentistry without a Missouri license but only within the course of

teaching as part of an accredited dental school program. The holder of a dental faculty permit will not be able to receive any fee or compensation for the practice of dentistry except salary or benefits received as part of his or her employment with the Missouri dental school, college, or program.

HB 1286 - Modifies provisions of law relating to the detonation of explosives and actions for private nuisances brought against certain permit holders.

Currently, the authorized fee for explosives use cannot exceed \$2 per ton. This bill increases the limit to \$7.50 per ton. However, the fee established by rule cannot exceed the cost of administering the Missouri Blasting Safety Act. The bill clarifies that the fee does not apply to any person, company, or entity regulated by the Department of Natural Resources under the Surface Coal Mining Law and 10 CSR 40-3.160 (Section 319.318, RSMo).

It is an honor to serve the 51st District in the Missouri House of Representatives. Each week I will issue a capitol report to keep you informed of activities in Jefferson City. Any concerns or issues you might have are of great interest to me. I look forward to your input and thoughts, so please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions, concerns, or ideas to improve our state government and the quality of life for all Missourians. My telephone number is 573-751-2204 or you may contact me by email at dean.dohrman@house.mo.gov. Thank you for working with me to make Missouri a great place to live.

Serving the Constituents of the 51st District,



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