

## **2010 Primary Election Notes**

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### **TOP OF THE TICKET**

Senate: Roy Blunt held off Chuck Purgason 71%-13%. Will challenge Robin Carnahan.

Congress Dist. 4: Vicky Hartzler won Republican nomination to challenge Ike Skelton.

Congress Dist. 7: Billy Long will fill seat held by Roy Blunt.

Auditor: Tom Schweich won Republican nomination to challenge Susan Montee.

### **SENATE**

Defense: Scott Rupp (R-Wentzville) and Joe Keaveny (D-St. Louis) withheld credible primary challenges.

Winners of Competitive Races (Primary Only): Mike Kehoe (R-Jefferson City); Will Kraus (R-Lee's Summit); Maria Chappelle-Nadal (D-University City); Brian Nieves (R-Washington); Mike Parson (R-Bolivar).

Winners of Competitive Races (With Looming General): Barbara Fraser won Democrat nomination to face John Lamping in the 24th; Rob Schaaf won Republican nomination to face Martin Rucker in the 34th.

Republican Control: 2010 margin: 23-11; Already determined 2011 margin: 22-8 (4 undecided); Analysis: Republican control not in jeopardy.

### **HOUSE**

Three Incumbents Defeated: Hope Whitehead (D-St. Louis), James Morris (D-St. Louis), Nita Jane Ayres (R-Branson).

Former Senators: Glen Klippenstein (R-Maysville) and John Cauthorn (R-Mexico) won Republican primaries in heavily Republican districts.

Family Affair:

Caleb Jones (R-California) will replace dad Kenny Jones.

CM Spreng (D-Florissant) will replace husband Michael Spreng.

Linda Witte (D-Vandalia) is Democrat nominee to replace husband Terry Witte.

Penny Hubbard (D-St. Louis) will fill seat previously held by son, Rodney Hubbard.

Closest Victory: John Rizzo (D-Kansas City) defeated Will Royster by 6 votes.

Newbies: At least 41% of the House will be comprised of freshmen next year.

Republican Control: 2010 margin: 88-74; Already determined 2011 margin: 42-28 (93 undecided); Analysis: Republican control not in jeopardy.

## **BALLOT INITIATIVES**

Prop. C: Voters overwhelmingly (71%) rejected President Obama's health insurance mandate.

Certified for November Ballot: Repeal of the St. Louis and Kansas City earnings tax. New restrictions on dog breeders.

Not Certified: Repeal of the non-partisan courts plan. Prohibition on a real estate transfer tax.