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HOUSE CHANGES MISSOURI'S HELMET LAW: On April 1, after a one-hour debate, HB 1393, sponsored by Rep. Gary Dusenberg (R-Blue Springs), was given first round approval by the full House. By a vote of 90 to 59, HB 1393 removes the requirement that motorcycle helmets be worn when operating or riding as a passenger on any motorcycle. The bill would require persons under 21 years of age to continue to wear a helmet.

Several amendments were offered on the House floor as an attempt to weaken the intent of the legislative proposal. However, the "freedom of choice" supporters out voted the opponents to the bill each time a vote was taken on an amendment.

On April 3, the bill was given final round of approval in the House by a vote of 94 to 52.

The bill will now go to the Senate for additional review and debate.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ADVANCES TRANSPORTATION BILLS: On April 1, the House Transportation Committee voted to approve several transportation-related bills out of committee. The bills now head to the House floor to be considered by all members of the House. The following bills were either approved or considered by the committee:

- HB 1974, sponsored by Rep. Charlie Schlottach (R-Owensville) – HB 1974 would allow for private investment for the construction of new transportation projects, except construction of interstates, to be approved by the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) if the project costs exceed \$25 million. The interstate exception is a move by the truckers and petroleum marketers to combat any potential tolling on interstates. The public-private partnership however, would provide a valuable tool for advancing new multimodal operations, including an extension of Metro-link in St. Louis. One feature of the proposal is to allow tax credits to the private entities that invest in a public-private partnership. This bill was passed unanimously by a vote of 8 to 0.
- SB 760, sponsored by Sen. Bill Stouffer (R-Napton) – SB 760 relates to the Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) program. This proposal would allow Missouri to participate in the new UCR federal registration program and retain approximately \$2.3 million in registration fees paid by Missouri-based motor carriers.

MoDOT's Motor Carrier Services Director Jan Skouby and Bob Wilson, Missouri Motor Carriers Association, testified in support of the bill. There was no opposition to the bill. The committee passed this bill unanimously by a vote of 8 to 0. The proposal is an MHTC/MoDOT priority for 2008.

- SCS SB 753, 728, 906 & 1026, sponsored by Sen. Rob Mayer (R-Dexter) – SCS SB 753, 728, 906 & 1026 incorporates several memorial highway designations. The bill designates a portion of State Highway 84 from the Interstate Highway 55 exit to the Caruthersville city limits as the "Corporal Rickey L. Bell Memorial Highway"; designates a portion of U.S. Highway 169 from its intersection with Missouri Route 6, north to its intersection with Gene Field Road, as the "Deputy Charles M. Cook Memorial Highway"; designates a portion of State Highway 87 in Moniteau County as the "Lance Corporal Leon B. Deraps Memorial Highway"; and designates a portion of State Highway 13 as the Rick Seiner Memorial Highway". No action was taken on the bill.
- SB 841, sponsored by Sen. Bill Stouffer (R-Napton) – This bill provides that the maximum gross vehicle weight limit and axle weight limit for heavy-duty vehicles equipped with idle reduction technology may be increased up to an additional 400 pounds to account for the technology. Bob Wilson, Missouri Motor Carriers Association, testified in support of the bill. The bill passed unanimously by a vote of 8 to 0.

OMNIBUS TRANSPORTATION BILL TO BE INTRODUCED: On April 1, the House Transportation Committee chair, Rep. Neal St. Onge (R-Ballwin), announced that work is underway to assemble an omnibus transportation bill. The current draft of the proposal includes the following transportation related provisions:

- Authorizing the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) to take the necessary steps to implement and administer a state plan to conform with the Unified Carrier Registration Act (UCR Act) of 2005. The federal UCR Act includes provisions to eliminate the Single State Registration System (SSRS) by January 2007 and replace it with the Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Agreement;
- Allows for private investment for the construction of new transportation projects to be approved by the MHTC if the cost of the project exceeds \$25 million. One feature of the proposal is to allow tax credits to the private entities that invest in a public-private partnership;
- Requiring construction bids to be submitted to the MHTC electronically;
- Allowing MoDOT to accept an annual bid bond for its construction and maintenance projects;
- Revisions to law regarding the place for filing a petition to establish a Transportation Development District (TDD) where fifty or more registered voters from each of two or more counties sign a petition calling for a joint establishment of a TDD;
- Defines the term "utility vehicle" as any motorized vehicle manufactured and used exclusively for off-highway purposes which is 63 inches or less in width, has an unladen dry weight of 1,850 pounds or less, travels on four or six wheels, and is used primarily for landscaping, lawn care, or maintenance purposes. A person operating a utility vehicle on a highway shall have a valid operator or chauffeur's license. The bill allows utility vehicles to be operated on the state highways if the vehicles are owned and operated by a governmental entity for official use, operated for agricultural purposes or industrial on-premises purposes during day light hours or operated by handicapped persons for short distances during day light hours. A person, except handicapped persons, operating a utility vehicle on a highway shall have a valid operator's or chauffeur's license;
- Provides that no truck auto transporter operating on Missouri highways shall have a length in excess of fifty-three feet, exclusive of the front and rear overhang, which shall

be no greater than a three-foot front overhang and no greater than a four foot rear overhang;

- Requires a person under eighteen years of age to demonstrate efforts in schools such as good attendance and maintaining grades and achieving assessment scores consistent with their skills and abilities in order to qualify for a driver's license or temporary driving permit. Waivers of this requirement may be granted for persons who are emancipated minors or who have withdrawn from school and earned a GED;
- Waiver of driver license renewal fees and driver examination fees for applicants seventy years of age or older seeking school bus endorsements;
- Requires test for a commercial driver's license to be given in the English language and applicants must be able to read and speak the English language sufficiently to understand highway traffic signs and signals, respond to official inquiries and make entries on reports and records without the use of an interpreter;
- Allows a vehicle to be driven to the left of a solid yellow center stripe only when executing a lawful turn, when overtaking a vehicle that is traveling at a speed less than 25 miles per hour, when avoiding debris in the roadway or so long as the action does not create a hazard;
- Allows any vehicle responding to an emergency, motor vehicle accident, incident, traffic hazard, or other critical situation on the state highway system, where there is the threat of serious physical injury or death resulting from the emergency, accident, incident, traffic hazard, or other critical situation, to use amber colored lights including red or blue lights;
- Would declare commercial vehicle officers as peace officers of the State of Missouri with full power and authority to make arrests solely for weigh station violations, noncompliance with vehicle and driver inspection requirements, and noncompliance with cargo requirements. However, mandatory training and licensure requirements will be required to be classified a peace officer;
- Establishes travel safe zones and provides that fines shall be doubled for any moving violation made within a travel safe zone; and
- Requires any animal-driven vehicle that is placed or driven upon or along any state or supplementary state highway in Missouri take measures to be visible when it is dark by attaching to every vehicle at the rear and at the front two corners thereof reflective tape that meets United State Department of Transportation standards. The proposal also revises law where reflective tape will no longer be acceptable in lieu of equipping the vehicle with a triangular slow moving vehicle emblem.

An omnibus bill is expected to be approved by the committee during its April 8 hearing.

PETITION BILL ADVANCES: A House bill that tightens down the initiative petition process was heard on March 31 in the Senate Financial/Government Organization and Elections Committee.

HCS HB 1763, sponsored by Rep. Mike Parson (R-Bolivar), changes the laws regarding petition circulators. In its main provisions, the substitute:

- Requires petition circulators to be Missouri residents;
- Prohibits the payment of petition circulators on a per-signature basis;
- Prohibits petition circulators from soliciting or receiving signatures for two or more petitions simultaneously;

- Requires petition circulators to supply information to the Office of the Secretary of State verifying their eligibility and to swear by affidavit that they will comply with the conditions of the substitute;
- Specifies that anyone violating the provisions of the substitute will be guilty of a class A misdemeanor;
- Specifies that signatures collected by unregistered circulators will not be counted; and
- Specifies that anyone who knowingly signs any name other than his or her own to any petition will be guilty of a class one election offense.

Testifying for the bill because the proposal “maintains the integrity of the initiative petition process” were: Trisha Workman, Missouri Restaurant Association; Dave Overfelt, Missouri Retailers Association, Missouri Grocers Association and Associated Industries of Missouri; Mike Grothe, Missouri Chamber of Commerce; Carol Humphrey, Missouri National Education Association; and Winfrey O’Daniel, National Rifle Association.

It is important to note that many of these groups who testified for the bill were opposed to the 2006 initiative petition that increased the minimum wage amount paid to workers. Also, even though they did not testify against HCS HB 1763, opponents to the measure fear this bill will make it much tougher to place future initiative petitions on the ballot for voter consideration.

The committee took no action on the bill.

AVIATION BILL ADVANCES IN THE SENATE: SCS SB 930 & 947 was given first round approval on April 1 in the Senate. This bill removes the cap on the amount of jet fuel sales taxes that can be deposited into the State Aviation Trust Fund.

Under current law, only \$6 million generated from jet fuel sales taxes may be deposited to the credit of the Aviation Trust Fund. By removing the cap, an additional \$2 million a year could be deposited into the Aviation Trust Funds from the state general revenue fund. The \$2 million could then be used for the study or promotion of expanded domestic or international scheduled commercial service, for the study or promotion of intrastate scheduled commercial service, or to assist airport sponsors participating in a federally funded air service program supporting intrastate scheduled commercial service. The act further requires that there must have been at least \$6 million deposited in the fund in the previous calendar year before aviation trust funds can be utilized for these purposes.

The bill allows moneys in the Aviation Trust Fund to be used to assist communities to match federal air traffic control tower cost-share program grants. Under the act, up to \$500,000 per year may be used on a ratio of 50 percent state/50 percent local to meet the non-federal match requirement. No more than \$100,000 per year may be used for any individual air traffic control tower.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. Bill Stouffer (R-Napton), was given full Senate approval on April 3.

STATE EMPLOYEE PAY RAISES DISCUSSED: On April 1, the House Special Committee on Government Affairs heard testimony on two different legislative proposals that would provide an avenue for state employee salary increases.

HB 1954, sponsored by Bob Dixon (R-Springfield), would increase state employee salaries at the beginning of each fiscal year in an amount equal to the percentage change in the federal Consumer Price Index, rounded to the nearest \$100, as established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics until the state government pay ranking is equal to the income ranking by the federal department for all Missouri income. The salary adjustment will be funded and become effective unless the General Assembly disapproves by passage of a concurrent resolution.

HB 1961, sponsored by Rep. Paul LeVota (D-Kansas City), would authorize an annual salary increase for state employees equal to the cost-of-living adjustment for that calendar year when there are increases in the federal Consumer Price Index, unless the salary increase is disapproved by a concurrent resolution adopted by the General Assembly before July 1 of each year. The bill also specifies that a "state employee" is any non-elected person employed by the state earning a salary or wage and performing duties on behalf of the state, including juvenile court personnel, regardless of who pays their compensation.

Both bills were supported by Silvey Brown, Service Employees International Union (SEUI). Mr. Brown testified that the proposals would help state employees to count on a cost-of-living adjustment each year without the fear of no pay raise in any given year.

There was no opposition to the bills. The committee took no action on the proposals.

CORRECTION: In the March 28 edition of the *GR Capitol Report*, it was mistakenly reported that the House passed a 2009 budget, which included a flat pay raise amount for state employees of \$1,540. This number should have been \$1,056. The Senate is now reviewing the House's version of the 2009 budget. The Senate is expected to pass their version of a budget with a proposed three-percentage pay raise.

REVERSE AUCTION PROCUREMENT PROPOSAL INTRODUCED: On April 1, Rep. Bill Deeken (R-Jefferson City), introduced HB 1794 to the House Special Committee on Government Affairs that could save the state taxpayers dollars when it comes to state purchases.

HB 1794 allows the Commissioner of the Office of Administration to use the reverse auction procurement method to purchase goods and nonprofessional services if the commissioner believes the method will result in savings to the state. The reverse auction procurement method allows bidders to bid on specified goods or nonprofessional services through real-time electronic bidding. Bidders' prices are revealed and they have an opportunity to modify their bid prices during the bidding period.

The purchase amount requiring competitive bids is increased from \$3,000 to \$10,000 and the purchase amount requiring advertising is changed from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

According to Trent Summers, Office of Administration, thirty other states have implemented some sort of reverse auction procurement process, which has saved those states thousands of dollars.

There was no opposition to the bill and the committee took no action on the proposal.

LEGISLATION RELATING TO MOTOR FUEL TAXES FILED: On March 27, Rep. Darrell Pollock (R-Lebanon) filed HB 2495. This bill provides for reductions in motor fuel taxes if the average price per gallon of motor fuel exceeds three dollars and forty-nine cents per gallon for ten consecutive days. The motor fuel tax rate would then be nine cents per gallon for the following thirty days and then would return to seventeen cents per gallon. In the event that the average price of motor fuel exceeds three dollars and ninety-nine cents per gallon for ten consecutive days, there would be no tax on motor fuel until the average price is lower than three dollars and ninety-nine cents per gallon.

Monies from the state's seventeen-cent fuel tax are used by MoDOT to operate. These monies are used for managing Missouri's some thirty-two thousand miles of state maintained roads. Not only would the department not be able to initiate new projects, but this proposal would also halt the maintenance operation on many roads and bridges throughout the state.

A hearing has not yet been scheduled for this bill.

HWY 39 TO BE DESIGNATED AS A STATE SCENIC HIGHWAY: On April 1, Rep. David Sater (R-Cassville) filed HB 2538. This bill designates a portion of State Highway 39 in Southwest Missouri as a "state scenic highway". The department would install highway signs designating this segment of highway as such and funding for installation and maintenance of signs would be paid for by the Missouri Department of Tourism.

A hearing has not yet been scheduled for this bill.

MHTC PROPOSAL TO ADOPT UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION PROGRAM IS ON THE MOVE: One of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission's (MHTC) and MoDOT's legislative priorities for the 2008 session is progressing through the process. The proposal would allow Missouri to participate in the new federal registration program referred to as the Unified Carrier Registration Program. This proposal, if passed, would allow MoDOT to retain \$2.3 million dollars in registration fees that can be used to make safety improvements.

To date, the proposal is included in two stand-alone bills and one omnibus transportation bills which include HB 1422, sponsored by Rep. Neal St. Onge (R-Baldwin), and SB 760 and SB 761, sponsored by Sen. Bill Stouffer (R-Napton). All bills have received approval by their respective chambers.

On April 2, HB 1422 was approved by the full House and has been reported to the Senate for consideration. SB 760 has already received approval of the full Senate and on April 1 was approved unanimously by the House Transportation Committee. SB 760 is now scheduled to go to the House floor for a vote by the full House. On April 3, SB 761 was approved by the full Senate and will be reported to the House for consideration.

HOUSE PASSES SEVERAL TRANSPORTATION RELATED BILLS: On April 3, the full House had a late night session approving numerous bills. Those passed by the full House relating to transportation include the following:

- HB 1937, sponsored by Rep. David Pearce (R-Warrensburg), relating to transportation development districts. This bill provides that a petition may be filed in a circuit court of

any of the counties in which the project will be located. The petition must be signed by at least 50 registered voters from each of the counties and must state the name, voting residence, and county of residence of each individual petitioner. The district and proposed funding will be subject to voter approval under one election;

- HB 2206, sponsored by Rep. Mike Sutherland (R- Warrenton), relating to bicycle and pedestrian accommodations in transportation planning. The bill provides that the department of transportation's plans, programs and projects shall provide full consideration for the safety and contiguous routes for bicyclists, pedestrians, disabled persons and transit users of all ages and abilities. Bicycle ways and pedestrian ways shall be given full consideration in transportation planning and that the highways and transportation commission may expend state road fund moneys to provide appropriate accommodations for bicyclists, pedestrians, disabled persons, transit users and other users of the public roadways. Further, the bill would require MoDOT to establish planning, design, construction, maintenance and operations standards for the above-named accommodations and establish appropriate training programs for MoDOT staff to implement these standards;
- HB 2360, sponsored by Rep. Jim Guest (R- King City), would designate a portion of Highway 169 in Gentry County from the city limits of King City south for one mile as the "Mo. Hwy. Patrol Corporal Henry C. Bruns Memorial Highway";
- HB 1887, sponsored by Rep. Mike Parson (R- Bolivar), would designate a portion of Highway 13 from the intersection of Highway 83 to the intersection of Highway Y in Polk County as the "Rick Seiner Memorial Highway"; and
- HB 1952, sponsored by Rep. Tom Loehner (R-Koeltztown), would designate the U.S. Highway 63 Gasconade River Bridge in Maries County as the "Roy Bassett Memorial Bridge."

LEGISLATIVE MATRIX: Attached is Governmental Relations weekly updated matrix, which shows some of the more important transportation bills that the department is tracking. If you should have any questions about these or any other pending legislative proposals, contact GR at 573.522.9284.

UPCOMING TRANSPORTATION EVENTS:

- May 16 – Last day of the 2008 legislative session



MoDOT
Bill Progress Matrix
 4/3/2008

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Bill	Description	Author	1st-Chamber	Comm Report	Passed	2nd-Chamber	Comm Report	Passed	Signed/Veto
HB 1309	Allows any family member older than 21 years of age to give written permission for a temporary instruction permit application and to occupy the seat beside the driver with a temporary permit	Day	3-Dec	2/18 - H voted do pass Rules	2/27 - Third Read & Passed	2/27 - Reported to the Senate	3/12 - Public Hearing Completed		
HB 1329	Allows a registrant of any utility trailer, recreational vehicle trailer, camper trailer, or boat trailer with an unloaded weight of 3,000 pounds or less to permanently register the trailer for \$52.50	Sater	3-Dec	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					
HB 1338	Prevents any state entity from completely shutting down a state highway with a certain traffic volume for a continuous period exceeding two months	Muschany	3-Dec	1/10 - H Read second time					
HB 1354	Exempts certain "implements of husbandry" from the titling, registration, and license plate requirements of Chapter 301, RSMo	Wilson-119	5-Dec	2/11 - H voted do pass Rules	2/20 - Third Read & Passed (Y:147/N:0)	2/20 - Reported to the Senate	3/12 - Public Hearing Completed		
HB 1376	Establishes the Missouri Universal Red Light Enforcement Act which allows political entities to establish automated photo red light enforcement systems to detect red light signal violations	Portwood	7-Dec	2/21 - Referred to House Crime					

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HB 1388	Prohibits persons from operating a motorcycle or motortricycle while carrying a passenger ten years of age or younger	Cox	11-Dec	2/28 - Referred to House Crime					
HB 1393	Requires only persons younger than 21 years of age to wear protective headgear when operating or riding as a passenger on any motorcycle or motortricycle except on interstates	Dusenberg	11-Dec	2/18 - Reported do pass Rules	4-3 - Third read & passed (Y:94/N:52)				
HB 1406	Establishes the "drunk driving victim memorial sign program"	Deeken	12-Dec	2/11 - Reported do pass Rules	2/25 - Third read & passed (Y:82/N:51)	2/25 - Reported to Senate	3/12 - Voted do pass S Transportation		
HB 1409	Allows persons who have been convicted more than twice of driving while intoxicated to obtain an ignition interlock restricted license for a one-year period if the person meets certain requirements	Deeken	12-Dec	2/21 - Referred to Crime					
HB 1421	Expands the crimes of involuntary manslaughter and assault of a law enforcement officer, emergency personnel, or probation and parole officer in all degrees to include highway workers in work zones	St. Onge	13-Dec	2/28 - Referred to Crime					
HB 1422	Authorizes the Highways and Transportation Commission to implement and administer a state plan to conform with the federal Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005	St. Onge	13-Dec	3/11 - H Perfected on consent calendar	4-2 - Third read & passed	4-3 - Referred to S Transportation			
HB 1423	Requires offenders to obtain an ignition interlock device for their first DWI conviction.	St. Onge	13-Dec	3/11 - Referred to H Rules					

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HB 1428	Changes the laws regarding mitigation of damages when the plaintiff was not wearing a safety belt	Kraus	14-Dec	2/28 - Referred to H Special Committee on Health Insurance					
HB 1451	Allows a person to petition the circuit court for a trial de novo as an alternative to seeking judicial review of an agency decision - Identical to HB 1820	Roorda	18-Dec	1/10 - Read second time					
HB 1483	Designates spotted knapweed as noxious weeds	Wells	19-Dec	2/7 - Public Hearing Held					
HB 1500	Names a portion of Highway 80 in New Madrid County the "Gene Curtis Memorial Highway"	Hodges	20-Dec	3/4 - Public Hearing Held					
HB 1525	Requires law enforcement agencies to establish a rotation list of towing truck companies to be used for removing disabled vehicles in their jurisdiction	Franz	3-Jan	1/24 - Referred to H Crime					
HB 1563	Regulates speed limits for certain motor vehicles and the number of consecutive hours a driver may operate a motor vehicle within the state	LeVota	8-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					
HB 1564	Repeals the motor vehicle safety inspection program effective January 1, 2009	LeVota	8-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					

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HB 1575	Names a portion of Highway 87 in Moniteau County the "Lance Corporal Leon B. Deraps Memorial Highway"	Jones-117	9-Jan	2/11 - HCS Voted do pass	2/20 - Third Read & Passed (Y:148/N:0)	2/20 - Reported to the Senate	3/12 - Voted do pass S Transportation		
HB 1590	Noxious weeds; hazardous substance cleanup; fuel tax exemption for farm equipment and machinery; and establishment of a commission to promote alternative fueled vehicles.	Muzlinger	10-Jan	4-2 - Reported do pass H Rules					
HB 1639	Changes the laws regarding the Aviation Trust Fund and air traffic control towers	Bruns	14-Jan	4-1 - Voted do pass from H Transportation					
HB 1646	Designates the Table Rock Lake Bridge on Highway 39 in Shell Knob as the "State Senator Larry Gene Taylor Memorial Bridge"	Viebrock	15-Jan	3/4 - Public Hearing Held					
HB 1665	Renames the portion of Interstate 70 currently known as "Mark McGwire Highway" to the "John F. Bass Memorial Highway".	El-Amin	15-Jan	1/16 - Read second time					
HB 1686	Authorizes a motor fuel tax holiday for gasoline and diesel fuel used in a personal vehicle for a four-day period during the Memorial Day and Labor Day holiday weekends	Nolte	16-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Ways & Means					
HB 1728	Changes the laws regarding strategic litigation against public participation	Bivins	17-Jan	4-1 - Public Hearing g Held					
HB 1736	Establishes the Missouri Illegal Immigration Relief Act to assist the federal government in enforcing federal immigration laws	Schneider	17-Jan	2/6 - Public Hearing Held					

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HB 1737	Exempts motor fuel used in school buses from motor fuel tax when driven to transport students for educational purposes	Wallace	17-Jan	1/24 - Referred to H Education					
HB 1786	Requires the department of transportation to develop and implement a pavement management system for each mile of roadway on the state highway system	Meadows	23-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					
HB 1819	Modifies the law regarding the Scenic Byway Program	Roorda	24-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					
HB 1820	Allows an employee of the state or any of its political subdivisions to petition the circuit court for a trial de novo as an alternative to seeking judicial review of an agency decision on employment - Identical to HB 1451	Roorda	24-Jan	1/28 - Read second time					
HB 1833	Establishes the Missouri Universal Health Assurance Program to provide a publicly financed, statewide insurance program for all residents of this state	Bland	24-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Special Committee on General Laws					
HB 1853	Requires any public governmental body to make and retain a verbatim audio recording of any closed meeting	Bivins	24-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Judiciary					
HB 1887	Designates a portion of Highway 13 in Polk County as the "Rick Seiner Memorial Highway"	Parson	29-Jan	3/25 - Reported do pass consent H Rules	4-2 - Third read & passed (Y:145/N:0)	4-3 - Reported to the S			

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HB 1905	Adds "tourist attractions" to the list of attractions eligible to receive signs under section 226.525, RSMo	Schlottach	29-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					
HB 1908	Allows for automated speed enforcement in work zones	St. Onge	29-Jan	1/30 - Read second time					
HB 1926	Exempts all vehicles assembled and sold in this state from state and local sales and use tax	Frame	30-Jan	2/28 - Referred to H Ways & Means					
HB 1937	Relates to voting methods established a Transportation Development District	Pearce	31-Jan	3/25 - Reported do pass consent H Rules	4-2 - Third read & passed (Y:140/N:11)				
HB 1952	Designates the U.S. Highway 63 Gasconade River Bridge in Maries County as the "Roy Bassett Memorial Bridge."	Loehner	31-Jan	3/25 - Reported do pass consent H Rules	4-2 - Third read & passed (Y:150/N:1)	4-3 - Reported to the S			
HB 1974	Authorizes PPPs for all transportation infrastructure needs, including signing, traffic signals and multimodal improvements	Schlottach	4-Feb	4-1 - Referred to H Rules					
HB 1999	Requires certain wrecker and towing services to be licensed and requires the Department of Public Safety to place a licensed wrecker or towing service on the State Highway Patrol's rotation log	McGhee	6-Feb	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					

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HB 2020	Appropriates money for supplemental purposes for the several departments and offices of state government, for the purchase of equipment, planning, expenses for the fiscal period ending 5-30-2008	Icet	23-Jan	1/31 - Voted do pass H Rules	2/7 - Third Read & Passed (Y:149/N:4)	2/11 - Reported to the Senate	2/14 - Voted do pass S Appropriations	2/18 - Third Read & Passed (Y:32/N:1)	3/13 - Signed by Governor
HB 2029	Establishes the Legislative Budget Office within the Joint Committee on Legislative Research	Muschany	6-Feb	3/11 - Public Hearing Held					
HB 2044	Names a portion of Missouri Route WW in Boone County "Carl Edwards Drive"	Baker-25	7-Feb	2/28 - Referred H Transportation					
HB 2172	Enacts provisions relating to safety at railroad crossings	Deeken	14-Feb	2/28 - Referred H Transportation					
HB 2177	Changes provisions relating to the Missouri Sunshine Law	Harris - 23	18-Feb	3/27 - Referred to H Judiciary					
HB 2206	Requires the department of transportation to provide full consideration to including bicycle ways and pedestrian ways in the planning and development of transportation projects	Sutherland	19-Feb	3/25 - Reported do pass consent H Rules	4-2 - Third read & passed (Y:139/N:9)	4-3 - Reported to the S			

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HB 2214	Provides that the gross weight of vehicles traveling on non-interstate roads in this state shall not exceed 85,500 pounds	Cooper - 120	20-Feb	2/28 - Referred to H Transportation					
HB 2234	Authorizes an exemption from motor fuel tax on fuel used for school buses	Page	21-Feb	2/28 - Referred to H Education					
HB 2253	Changes the laws regarding motor vehicles, trailers, vessels, outboard motors, and aircraft	St. Onge	21-Feb	2/25 - Read Second time					
HB 2265	Requires health benefit plans to include coverage for the treatment of autism spectrum disorders	Grisamore	26-Feb	3/27 - Referred to H Health Care Policy					
HB 2270	Requires certified law enforcement officers to review video footage of red light cameras prior to issuing summons and requires positive identification of the license plate of the vehicle	Roorda	27-Feb	2/28 - Read second time					
HB 2284	Requires new parking lots and parking lots being restriped after August 28, 2008, to have a certain number of lift van accessible only parking spaces	Meadows	27-Feb	2/28 - Read second time					
HB 2292	Specifies that any person who commits a steady red light violation that is detected and enforced through an automated photo red light enforcement system will be guilty of an infraction	Faith	28-Feb	3/13 - Referred to H Crime Prevention					
HB 2304	Changes the laws regarding the identification, assessment, and education of children with autism spectrum disorder	Lampe	28-Feb	2/29 - Read second time					

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HB 2305	Requires the Revisor of Statutes to make all copies of laws, resolutions, and constitutional measures available electronically to the public and eliminates the printing of certain state documents	Lampe	28-Feb	2/29 - Read second time					
HB 2335	Allows a left turn on a red light from a one-way street into another one-way street upon yielding to pedestrians and any other traffic	Daus	4-Mar	3/05 - Read second time					
HB 2336	Designates a portion of Interstate 55 in Jefferson County as the "Jeff McBride Memorial Highway"	Roorda	4-Mar	3/5 - Read second time					
HB 2337	Prohibits any condemning authority from acquiring by eminent domain any real property of a commercial gun shop, hunting preserve, or shooting range	Frame	4-Mar	3/5 - Read second time					
HB 2360	Designates a portion of State Highway 169 in Gentry County as the "Mo. Hwy. Patrol Corporal Henry C. Bruns Memorial Highway"	Guest	5-Mar	3/12 - Reported do pass consent H Rules	4-2 - Third read & passed (Y:146/N:2)	4-3 - Reported to the S			
HB 2364	Limits the amount a plaintiff can recover in tort actions against the state or its agents, officers, or employees	Villa	6-Mar	3/10 - Read second time					
HB 2368	Defines "intoxication-related traffic homicide" and expands certain intoxication-related traffic offenses to include intoxication-related traffic homicide	Roorda	6-Mar	3/10 - Read second time					
HB 2373	Imposes additional penalties on a person who has been convicted of an intoxication-related traffic offense when his or her blood-alcohol content was .16 of 1% or higher	Harris - 23	6-Mar	3/10 - Read second time					

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HB 2376	Changes the laws regarding the identification, assessment, and education of children with autism spectrum disorder	Grisamore	6-Mar	3/27 - Referred to H Elementary & Secondary Education					
HB 2388	Requires all drivers and passengers in cars or trucks to wear a seat belt, with certain exceptions, and allows law enforcement officers to make traffic stops of certain persons solely for this violation	Roorda	10-Mar	3/11 - Read second time					
HB 2427	Imposes various regulations (hours of operation, vehicle safety, drug and alcohol screening, etc.) on contract carriers that transport railroad employees	Meadows	12-Mar	3/13 - Read second time					
HB 2471	Names a portion of Interstate 44 in St. Louis County the "Police Officer Nicholas K.Sloan Memorial Highway".	Scharnhorst	27-Mar	3/27 - Read first time					
HB 2427	Establishes certain requirements that must be included in a contract between a railroad corporation and a contract carrier that transports railroad employees	Meadows	12-Mar	3-13 - Read second time					
HCR 15	Urges the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to establish a controlled pilot program allowing 19 to 21 year-olds to obtain a CDL for interstate commerce	Kuessner	24-Jan	3/4 - Public Hearing Held					

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HCR 18	Recognizes the I-49 Coalition as the official organization for the project to upgrade U.S. Highway 71 to interstate standards	Fisher	30-Jan	3/11 - Voted do pass H Rules					
HJR 50	Proposes a constitutional amendment replacing the Highways and Transportation Commission with a Director of Transportation	Dusenberg	11-Dec	2/14 - Referred to H Transportation					
HJR 53	Proposes a constitutional amendment replacing the Highways and Transportation Commission with a Director of Transportation	LeVota	8-Jan	1/17 - Referred to H Transportation					
HJR 62	Proposes a constitutional amendment giving the power of eminent domain to the state and its political subdivisions whose officials are directly responsible to elected officials	Harris - 110	31-Jan	2/14 - Referred to H Judiciary					
HJR 67	Proposes a constitutional amendment distributing ten percent of general revenue growth to the State Road Fund and the State Transportation Fund	Davis	12-Feb	2/26 - Public Hearing Held					
HJR 76	Proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the Department of Transportation to construct and maintain toll roads	Quinn	28-Mar	3-31 - Read Second time					
SB 722	This act exempts fuel tax on motor fuel used for school buses, by school districts or persons contracted with school districts to provide school bus services.	Coleman	3-Dec	3/11 - Reported do pass S Ways & Means					
SB 728	Designates a portion of U.S. Highway 169 as the "Deputy Charles M. Cook Memorial Highway".	Shields	3-Dec	Bill included in SB 753					

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SB 753	Designates a portion of state highway 84 as the "Corporal Rickey L. Bell Memorial Highway".	Mayer	3-Dec	2/21 - SCS Reported Do Pass S Transportation	2/28 - Third Read & Passed (Y:33/N:0)	3/26 - Referred to H Transportation	4-1 - Referred to H Rules		
SB 760	Authorizes the State Highways and Transportation Commission to take the necessary steps to implement and administer a state plan to conform with the Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005	Stouffer	3-Dec	2/6 - SCS Voted do pass S Transportation	2/28 - Third Read & Passed (Y:33/N:0)	3/26 - Referred to H Transportation	4-1 - Referred to H Rules		
SB 761	Modifies various laws relating to transportation and the regulation of motor vehicles. Also includes UCR & Annual Bid Bonds.	Stouffer	3-Dec	2/7 - Reported do pass S Transportation	4-3 - Third read & passed (Y:32/N:0)	4-3 - Reported to the H			
SB 793	Allows Department of Transportation to construct toll roads under certain conditions	Bartle	3-Dec	1/23 - Public Hearing Held					
SB 809	Imposes various billboard standards to billboards adjacent to Interstate 70 and Interstate 44 during period of interstate construction	Stouffer	3-Dec	2/21 - SCS Reported Do Pass S Transportation					
SB 810	Requires all diesel fuel sold at retail in Missouri after April 1, 2010 to be biodiesel-blended fuel	Stouffer	3-Dec	1/10 - Referred to S Agriculture					
SB 837	Creates the Public Employee Due Process Act	Bray	3-Dec	1/14 - Referred to S Financial					
SB 841	Increases weight limit for certain motor vehicles equipped with idle reduction technology.	Stouffer	3-Dec	2/20 - Voted do pass S Transportation	2/28 - Third Read & Passed (Y:34/N:0)	3/26 - Referred to H Transportation	4-1 - Referred to H Rules		

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SB 860	Prohibits the condemnation of property owned by a gun club or sportsmen's club.	Shoemyer	3-Dec	1/14 - Referred to S Pensions					
SB 872	This act provides that signs which were legally erected according to legal standards in effect prior to August 28, 2002, but which fail to comply with new legal standards on that date shall be considered as legal conforming out of standard signs under Missouri law. Such signs shall not be considered nonconforming for failure to comply with subsequently adopted sign standards.	Stouffer	12-Dec	1/15 - Referred to S Transportation					
SB 881	Establishes the drunk driving memorial sign program	Green	18-Dec	2/28 - Reported do pass S Transportation					
SB 884	Modifies Missouri's seat belt law by making it applicable to all passengers and allows for primary enforcement	Graham	18-Dec	3/5 - SCS Voted do pass					
SB 892	Prohibits local governments from using automated photo red light enforcement systems unless the traffic control signals are also equipped with devices that display the numerical time remaining before the signals will display a red signal	Green	18-Dec	1/15 - Referred to S Pensions					
SB 901	Under the act, all rights to unaccrued compensation for permanent total disability shall cease upon the death of the injured employee. Unpaid unaccrued compensation for permanent partial disability will continue to be paid to dependents.	Loudon	27-Dec	2/14 - SCS voted do pass S Small Business	2/28 - Third Read & Passed (Y:34/N:0)	3/26 - Referred to H Workforce	4-2 - Public Hearing held		

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SB 904	Modifies provisions pertaining to the Underground Facility Safety and Damage Prevention Act - Adds MoDOT to Missouri One Call	Griesheimer	3-Jan	3/27 - SCS voted do pass S Commerce & Environment					
SB 905	Establishes the Regional Railroad Authorities Act	Loudon	4-Jan	3/5 - SCS Voted do pass					
SB 906	Designates a portion of state highway 87 in Moniteau County as the "Lance Corporal Leon B. Deraps Memorial Highway"	Vogel	7-Jan	Bill included in SB 753					
SB 919	Assesses fee on shippers that transport radioactive waste within Missouri	Rupp	8-Jan	2/20 - Voted do pass S Transportation					
SB 924	Creates a state and local sales tax exemption for sales of motor vehicles assembled and sold in this state	Koster	9-Jan	1/16 - Referred to S Ways & Means					
SB 930	Removes cap on amount of aviation generated revenue that may be deposited in state aviation trust fund and expands purposes for which moneys in the aviation trust fund may be used	Stouffer	10-Jan	2/21 - SCS Reported do pass S Gov. Accountability	4-3 - Third read & passed (Y:33/N:0)	4-3 - Reported to the H			
SB 953	Extends expiration date for public governmental bodies to close certain security-related records	Scott	15-Jan	2/14 - Reported do pass S Financial	2/28 - Third Read & Passed (Y:33/N:0)	3/26 - Referred to H Judiciary			
SB 963	Requires law enforcement agencies to establish rotation lists of towing truck companies to be called for removing disabled vehicles	Stouffer	16-Jan	1/22 - Referred to S Transportation					

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SB 981	Designates the plant spotted knapweed as a noxious weed	Purgason	22-Jan	1/24 - Referred to S Agriculture					
SB 1024	Modifies provisions relating to liability for tort claims against the state or state entities created under the Housing Authorities Laws	Scott	28-Jan	3/10 - Public Hearing Held					
SB 1026	Designates a portion of State Highway 13 as the "Rick Seiner Memorial Highway"	Scott	28-Jan	Bill included in SB 753					
SB 1057	Modifies procedure for forming transportation development districts within multiple counties	Scott	30-Jan	3/5 - SCS Voted do pass S Transportation					
SB 1067	Provides that persons 21 years of age and older are not required to wear a helmet when operating or riding a motorcycle, unless they are on an interstate highway. Any person who operates or rides as a passenger on any motorcycle on the interstate without a helmet may be fined \$25.	Ridgeway	31-Jan	3/27 - Reported do pass S Transportation					
SB 1077	Under this act, the general prohibition against indemnity agreements is expanded to specifically prohibit agreements to hold harmless the negligence of the other person's officers, employees, or agents.	Goodman	4-Feb	4-3 - Reported do pass - S Small Business					
SB 1091	Requires the MHTC to promulgate rules where railroad corporations and companies are to provide or make available counseling to railroad workers involved in an accident which results in a death or serious bodily injury	Bray	6-Feb	2/14 - Referred to S Small Business					

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SB 1096	Establishes spousal shareleave for state employees	Graham	7-Feb	2/14 - Referred to S Pension					
SB 1099	Designates a portion of Missouri Route WW in Boone County as "Carl Edwards Drive"	Graham	7-Feb	3/27 - Reported do pass S Transportation					
SB 1101	Establishes the Missouri Universal Health Assurance Program	Bray	7-Feb	3/11 - Public Hearing Held					
SB 1117	Creates requirements and provides incentives for environmentally sustainable buildings	Smith - 14	11-Feb	3/6 - Public Hearing Held					
SB 1130	Expands types of projects that may be completed under Public-Private Transportation Act and creates various tax incentives for their completion	Stouffer	12-Feb	2/14 - Referred to S Commerce					
SB 1181	Reconvenes the Missouri Energy Task Force created by Executive Order 05-46	Engler	25-Feb	3/13 - Reported do Pass S Eco. Devo.					
SB 1201	This act modifies several provisions relating to transportation development districts	Griesheimer	26-Feb	2/28 - Referred to S Eco. Devo.					
SB 1217	Submits to the voters a one-cent sales tax proposal to assist in the reconstruction, rebuilding, construction, and conversion of Interstate 70 and Interstate 44 into an eight-lane interstate system	Stouffer	27-Feb	2/28 - Referred to S Transportation					

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SB 1257	Creates new criminal penalties for killing or assaulting a highway worker	Goodman	28-Feb	3-3 - Referred to S Judiciary					
SB 1265	Imposes various regulations (hours of operation, vehicle safety, drug and alcohol screening, etc.) on contract carriers that transport railroad employees	Bray	28-Feb	3/3 - Referred to S Transportation					
SB 1281	Requires motor vehicle dealers to collect and remit sales tax	Griesheimer	28-Feb	3/12 - Public Hearing Held					
SJR 31	This proposed constitutional amendment authorizes the Highway & Transportation Commission to conduct feasibility studies, fund, design, acquire, construct, maintain, and operate toll facilities.	Bartle	3-Dec	1/23 - Public Hearing Held					
SJR 38	Creates a two year budget cycle	Clemens	17-Dec	1/16 - Referred to H Gov. Acct.					
SJR 40	Creates a state-wide sales and use tax to fund the Missouri Highway Patrol.	McKenna	2-Jan	1/16 - Referred to S Ways & Means					
SJR 43	Distributes ten percent of general revenue growth to the State Road Fund and the State Transportation Fund	Loudon	17-Jan	3/6 - Voted do pass					
SJR 48	Institutes a one percent sales and use tax for the purpose of converting Interstate 70 and Interstate 44 into an eight-lane interstate system	Stouffer	28-Feb	2/28 - Referred to S Transportation					