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Welcome to Issue 5 of the *Legislative Update*. Bills are being assigned to committees and hearings are beginning to be held. To make tracking the progress of bills easier any change in bill status will be highlighted in red.

As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions. We again have an index to help you find what category each bill is under. Please feel free to contact us with suggestions, questions or comments.

Just as last year, the bill will be summarized the first time it is listed. If significant changes to a bill occur, they will be summarized when the change occurs. The bill number, title, sponsor, and current status will be reported each week along with the *Legislative Update* issue number in which the most recent summary can be found.

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Bills are organized in the following Categories:

- Assistive Technology
- Crime
- Education
- Employment
- Funding/Appropriations
- Health Care and Personal Assistance
- Legal Rights and Responsibilities
- Mental Health
- Olmstead
- Prevention
- Services for People with Disabilities

Note: When "incapacitated," "handicapped," etc. appear in a bill description, it reflects the terminology of the legislation,

Abbreviations

HB.....	House of Representatives Bill
HA.....	House Amendment
HS.....	House Substitute
HR.....	House Resolution
HJR.....	House Joint Resolution
HCS.....	House Committee Substitute
SB.....	Senate Bill
SCA.....	Senate Committee Amendment
SCS.....	Senate Committee Substitute
SA.....	Senate Amendment
SS.....	Senate Substitute
SR.....	Senate Resolution
SJR.....	Senate Joint Resolution
CCR.....	Conference Committee Report
CCS.....	Conference Committee Substitute
BC.....	Budget Control Committee

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CRIME

[HB 1293 – Hoskins \(R\)](#)

Adds professional therapy dog to the definition of “service dog” as it relates to crimes against these dogs or crimes of impersonating a disabled person

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 1](#)

1/27/10 Referred: Crime Prevention (H)

[HB 1631 – Pollock \(R\)](#)

Creates the crime of sexual contact with a patient

Status: 1/14/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)

2/3/10 Referred – Senior Citizen

Advocacy

EDUCATION

[SB 654 – Crowell \(R\)](#)

Creates the MO Special Needs Scholarship Tax Credit Program

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S)

1/13/10 Referred: Governmental

Accountability & Fiscal Oversight (S)

[Issue 1](#)

[HB 1296 – Lampe \(D\)](#)

Changes laws regarding the identification, assessment and education of children with autism spectrum disorders

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)

1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1450 – Allen \(R\)](#)

Changes the laws regarding the First Steps Program & the study by the greater St. Louis area point of entry

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)

1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1463 – Hodges \(D\)](#)

Requires public school districts to screen students for Sensory Processing Disorder

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 2](#)

[HB 1879 – Grisamore \(R\)](#)

Requires every public school district to provide disability history and awareness instruction during the month of October and designates October as “Disability History and Awareness Month”

Each district school board shall require all K-12 public schools within the district to provide disability history and awareness instruction each year during the month of October. The month of October shall be designated “Disability History and Awareness Month”. During disability history and awareness month, students shall be provided intensive instruction to expand their knowledge, understanding, and awareness of individuals with disabilities, the history of disability, and the disability rights movement. Disability history shall include the events and timelines of the development and evolution of services to, and the civil rights of, individuals with disabilities. Disability history shall also include the contributions of specific individuals with disabilities, including the contributions of acknowledged national leaders. The instruction shall be integrated into the existing school curriculum in ways including, but not limited to, supplementing lesson plans, holding school assemblies, or providing other school-related activities. The instruction may be delivered by qualified school personnel or by knowledgeable guest speakers, with a particular focus on including individuals with disabilities. The goals of the disability history and awareness instruction include: 1. an understanding that disability is a natural part of the human experience; 2. the creation of a more inclusive school community; 3. reaffirmation of the local, state and federal commitment to the full inclusion in society of, and the equal opportunity for all individuals with disabilities; and 4. institutions of higher education within the state are encouraged to conduct and promote activities on individual campuses that provide education, understanding, and awareness of individuals with disabilities.

Status: 2/1/10 Second Read (H)

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FUNDING/TAX RELIEF

[HB 1213 – Dusenberg \(R\)](#)

Authorizes a state income tax exemption for certain disabled veterans

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H)

[Issue 1](#)

1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1386 – Nolte \(R\)](#)

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Limits increase in assessed valuation of residential property by the percentage of increase in Social Security benefits for the elderly and disabled who own and live in their principal residence

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1621 – McNeil \(D\)](#)

Relating to the Circuit Breaker tax credit
Beginning January 1, 2011, this bill increases from \$14,300 to \$16,000 the minimum base used to calculate the senior citizens property tax credit, commonly known as circuit breaker.

Status: 1/14/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1784 – Nolte \(R\)](#)

Limits increase in assessed valuation of residential property by the percentage of increase in Social Security benefits for the elderly and disabled who own and live in their principal residence
Beginning January 1, 2011, this bill limits the increase in assessed valuation of residential property to the percentage of increase in Social Security benefits in the previous year for an individual who is 65 years of age or older or who is disabled, has a federal adjusted gross income of less than \$72,380, and owns and lives in his or her principal residence. The maximum income limit will increase by the same incremental increase in the general price level as specified in the Missouri Constitution. The provisions of the bill will expire December 31 six years from the effective date.

Status: 1/25/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 5](#)

[SB 608 – Stouffer \(R\)](#)

Creates a tax credit for contributions to developmental disability care providers and modifies provisions of the residential treatment agency tax credit program

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S) [Issue 1](#)
1/13/10 Referred: Governmental Accountability & Fiscal Oversight (S)

[SB 654 – Crowell \(R\)](#)

Creates the MO Special Needs Scholarship Tax Credit Program
(See Education)

HEALTH CARE & PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

[HB 1304 – Hodges \(D\)](#)

Relating to health insurance coverage for Down syndrome

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1311 – Scharnhorst \(R\)](#)

Requires health carriers to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders

Status: 1/7/10 Referred: Special Comm. on Health Insurance (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/19/10 Hearing Held (H)
2/3/10 Referred: Rules pursuant to Rule 25(32)(f)(H)

[HB 1333 – Lipke \(R\)](#)

Allows persons who have exhausted their total lifetime benefits to be eligible for coverage under the MO Health Insurance Pool

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1341 – Grill \(D\)](#)

Relating to health insurance coverage of autism spectrum disorders

Status: 1/7/10 Referred: Special Comm. on Health Insurance (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/19/10 Hearing Held (H)
Bill replaced with substitute bill. Check primary HB 1311

[HB 1357 – Chappelle-Nadal \(D\)](#)

Increases resource limits for medical assistance

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1464 – Hodges \(D\)](#)

Relating to oxygen use in residential settings

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 2](#)

[HB 1480 – Hughes \(D\)](#)

Establishes the MO Universal Health Insurance Act and the Universal Health Insurance Program

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 2](#)
[HB 1570 – Ervin \(R\)](#)

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Changes the laws regarding health insurance to comply with the federal Health Insurance

Portability & Accountability Act

Status: 1/12/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 3](#)
2/4/10 Referred – Insurance Policy H

[HB 1641 – Brown \(D\)](#)

Establishes the MO Universal Health Assurance Program

Status: 1/14/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1884 – Grisamore \(R\)](#)

Adds prescribed, medically necessary hearing aids to the list of covered services under the MO HealthNet Program

Would add coverage of prescribed, medically necessary hearing aids to the list of services covered by MO HealthNet. The service will be subject to appropriations.

Status: 2/1/10 Second Read (H) Issue 5

[SB 606 – Stouffer \(R\)](#)

Adds comprehensive day rehabilitation services as a covered service under the MO HealthNet Program

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S)
1/13/10 Referred: Health, Mental
Mental Health & Families (S) [Issue 1](#)

[SB 618 – Rupp \(R\)](#)

Requires health carriers to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders under certain conditions

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S)
1/13/10 Referred: Small Business,
Insurance & Industry (S)
1/19/10 Public Hearing Held
2/8/10 S Formal Calendar S Bills for Third
Reading (in Fiscal Oversight) [Issue 1](#)

[SB 722 – Bray \(D\)](#)

Establishes the MO Universal Health Assurance Program

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S) [Issue 1](#)
1/19/10 Referred Small Business,
Insurance and Industry Committee (S)

[SB 742 – Shoemyer \(D\)](#)

Modifies membership of MO HealthNet Oversight Committee

Status: 1/12/10 First Read (S) [Issue 2](#)
1/19/10 Referred Health, Mental Health,
Seniors & Families
2/9/10 Hearing Scheduled S

[SB 825 – Clemens \(R\)](#)

Prohibits the substitution of anti-epileptic drugs under certain circumstances

Status: 1/28/10 Referred: Health, Mental Health
Seniors & Families (S) [Issue 4](#)

LEGAL RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

[HB 1382 – Ervin \(R\)](#)

Establishes the MO Patient Privacy Act

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)
2/4/10 Referred – Insurance Policy

[HB 1490 – McGhee \(R\)](#)

Establishes additional standards for ballots and voting machines

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 2](#)

[HB 1547 – Corcoran \(D\)](#)

Allows voters to cast advance ballots

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1572 – Meadows \(D\)](#)

Relating to accessible parking spaces

Status: 1/12/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 3](#)

[HB 1644 – Riddle \(R\)](#)

Relating to the use of force in self defense

Status: 1/14/10 Referred: Corrections and
Public Institutions (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1670 – Meiners \(D\)](#)

Legalizes the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes under certain conditions

Status: 1/19/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HJR 51 – Cunningham \(R\)](#)

Relating to voting a secret ballot

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HJR 64 – Cox \(R\)](#)

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Proposes a constitutional amendment changing the laws regarding voter identification

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) Issue 3
2/4/10 Referred – Elections

[SB 666 – Shoemyer \(D\)](#)

Relating to accessibility in the state capitol building

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S)
1/13/10 Referred: Financial and Governmental Organizations & Elections (S) [Issue 1](#)

[SB 694 – Wright-Jones \(D\)](#)

Modifies laws relating to voter registration

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S) [Issue 1](#)
1/19/2010 Financial and Governmental Organizations & Elections Committee (S)

[SB 852 – Lager \(R\)](#)

Modifies the law relation to MO Human Rights Act and employment discrimination

Status: 1/28/10 First Read (S) [Issue 4](#)
2/4/10 Referred – General Laws Committee S

MENTAL HEALTH

[HB 1298 –Lampe \(D\)](#)

Relating to the transfer of a mental health patient from one facility to another

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[SB 774 – Lembke \(R\)](#)

Creates additional measures intended to increase safety at the Department of Mental Health

Status: 1/13/10 First Read (S) [Issue 2](#)
1/19/2010 - Referred Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families (S)

OLMSTEAD

[HB 1358 – Chappelle-Nadal \(D\)](#)

Requires DHSS to strongly encourage long-term care facilities to institute policies encouraging family involvement in the well-being and support of its residents

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1631 – Pollock \(R\)](#)

Creates the crime of sexual contact with a patient (See Crime)

PREVENTION

[HB 1217 – Dusenberg \(R\)](#)

Relating to the motorcycle helmet law

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1548 – Calloway \(D\)](#)

Establishes the High School Sports Brain Injury Act

Status: 1/27/10 Referred: Healthcare Transformation (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1581 – Sutherland \(R\)](#)

Relating to MODOT plans, programs and projects

Status: 1/13/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)
2/3/10 Referred - Transportation

[SB 720 – Bray \(D\)](#)

Relating to MODOT plans, programs & projects

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (S) [Issue 1](#)
1/19/2010 - Referred Transportation Committee (S)

SERVICES

[HB 1270 – Meiners \(D\)](#)

Changes the name of the Crippled Children's Service to the Children's Special Health Care Needs Service

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)
2/3/10 Referred, Health Care Policy

[HB 1302 – Lampe \(D\)](#)

Expands the Amber Alert System to include missing endangered adults

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)
2/3/10 Referred, Senior Citizen Advocacy

[HB 1334 – Lipke \(R\)](#)

Establishes the Evan de Mello Reimbursement Program to provide financial assistance for the cost of transportation and ancillary services associated with the medical treatment of an eligible child

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1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1447 – Carter \(D\)](#)

Requires the development of caseload standards by the Departments of Health & Senior Services and Mental Health

Status: 1/6/10 First Read (H) [Issue 1](#)
1/7/10 Second Read (H)

[HB 1521 – Nance \(R\)](#)

Expands the Amber Alert System to include missing endangered adults

Status: 1/7/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 3](#)
1/21/10 Referred Senior Citizen Advocacy (H)

[HB 1610 – Schoeller \(R\)](#)

Relating to assistance for eligible households through the Utilicare Program

Status: 1/26/10 Referred: Utilities (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1637 – Wasson \(R\)](#)

Allows for a “Multiple Sclerosis Society” special license plate

Status: 1/27/10 Referred: Transportation (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1661 – Pratt \(R\)](#)

Changes laws regarding state purchasing as it relates to giving preference to any qualified nonprofit agency for the blind or severely disabled

Status: 1/19/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 4](#)

[HB 1882 – Grisamore \(R\)](#)

Requires certain gas station attendants to dispense motor fuel for persons with a disability

Requires attendants at any service station providing both full service and self service sales to dispense motor vehicle fuels into any motor vehicle parked at a self service facility if the vehicle displays a license plate issued to a disabled veteran or a license plate or placard issued to a person with a disability. A list of all full service stations selling motor vehicle fuel will be posted on the Governor’s Council on Disability web site.

Status: 2/1/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 5](#)

[HB 1883 – Grisamore \(R\)](#)

Relating to accessible parking

Beginning August 28, 2010, all new signs erected shall not contain the words “Handicap Parking” or “Handicapped Parking”.

Status: 2/1/10 Second Read (H) [Issue 5](#)
2/4/10 Referred – Special Committee on Infrastructure & Transportation Funding

[SB 804 – Schmitt \(R\)](#)

Establishes an Epilepsy Awareness Day

Status: 1/20/10 First Read (S) [Issue 3](#)
1/25/10 Referred: Progress & Development (S)
2/3/10 Public Hearing Scheduled (S)
2/8/10 S Consent Calendar

[SB 812 – Schmitt \(R\)](#)

Relating to Multiple Sclerosis license plates

Status: 1/21/10 First Read (S) [Issue 3](#)
1/25/10 Referred: Transportation (S)
2/10/10 Hearing Scheduled S