# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Welcome to the second issue of the 2011 Legislative Update with the 96<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. The Legislative Update will present a new bill by providing a summary description. When significant changes occur on the bill it will be summarized again. Any changes in bill status will be highlighted in red.

- The Legislative Update issue number and current bill summary will be inserted each week along with the bill number, title, sponsor, and current status (includes the committee assigned, chair and vice chair of the committee). Online copies of the legislative updates will have a red hyperlink to take you to the description of the bill and sponsors.
- The Legislative Update will also include an • index to assist you in locating the bill's category.
- Each issue of the *Legislative Update* is available ٠ on the Governor's Council on Disability's website at
  - http://www.disabilityinfo.mo.gov/gcd/
- Access to individual bill information is available on the Missouri General Assembly's website at http://www.moga.mo.gov/
- A glossary of terms can be found at http://house.mo.gov/
- Please contact our office (Laura.Mueth@oa.mo.gov) if you need a different format.
- To learn more about the legislative process consider attending the Legislative Education Project training by registering online.
- Governor's Council on Disability (GCD) welcomes your comments and suggestions. Your comments can be submitted online to the GCD website at

http://www.disabilityinfo.mo.gov/gcd/ or call us at (800) 877-8249.



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Bills are organized in the following categories:

- Assistive Technology
- Crime
- Education
- Employment
- Funding/Tax Relief •
- Health Care and Personal Assistance
- Legal Rights and Responsibilities
- Mental Health
- Olmstead
- Safety/Prevention
- Services for people with Disabilities
- Other
- Appropriations

Note: When "incapacitated," "handicapped," appear in a bill description, it reflects the terminology of the legislation, not the Governor's Council on Disability.

## Abbreviations

НВ	House of Representatives Bill
НА	House Amendment
HS	House Substitute
HR	House Resolution
HJR	House Joint Resolution
HCS	House Committee Substitute
SB	Senate Bill
SCA	Senate Committee Substitute
SA	Senate Amendment
SS	Senate Substitute
SR	Senate Resolution
SJR	Senate Joint Resolution
CCR	Conference Committee Substitute
CCS	Conference Committee Substitute
BC	Budget Control Committee

#### **ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

No pending legislation

## CRIME

SB 54 - Cunningham

Issue 1

Creates the Amy Hestir Student Protection Act.

Status: 1/5/11 First time Read (S)

## EDUCATION

HB 40 - Lampe

Issue 1

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

## Status:

1/6/11 Second Time Read (H) 1/5/11 First time Read (H)

## SB 37 - Lembke

## Issue 1

Establishes the "Students First Interscholastic Athletics Act" to allow each student of high school age the opportunity to seek to participate in interscholastic athletics.

## Status:

1/12/11 Read Second time and Referred to General Laws committee (S) Chair: Cunningham, Vice Chair: Nieves

1/5/11 First time Read (S)

## **EMPLOYMENT**

HB 56 - Brown

Issue 1

Authorizes a tax credit for employers who hire certain high school students for summer employment.

## Status:

1/6/11 Second time Read (H) 1/5/11 First time Read (H)

## FUNDING/TAX RELIEF

HB 55 - Sater

Issue 1

Authorizes a state and local sales and use tax exemption for over-the-counter or nonprescription drugs which are prescribed by a practitioner and certain medical equipment, supplies, or devices.

## Status:

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## HB 60 - Nolte

Issue 1

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

## Status:

1/6/11 Second time Read (H) 1/5/11 First time Read (H)

## HB 106 – Sater

Establishes limitations on the amount of money that may be held in reserve by sheltered workshop boards.

The board of directors for any sheltered workshop established under sections 205.968 to 205.974 shall not hold any general operating moneys in reserve which exceed one year's estimated annual general operating costs of such sheltered workshop

## Status:

1/6/11 Second time Read 1/5/11 Introduced and First time Read (H)

## SB 100 - Stouffer

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

The act creates an income tax credit equal to fifty percent of the amount of an eligible donation made, on or after January 1, 2010, to a qualifying developmental disability care provider. The tax credit may not be applied against withholding taxes. The tax credit is non-refundable, but may be carried forward four years. The tax credit is transferable. A provider may apply to the

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Department of Revenue for the tax credits. The provisions of this act shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of the act unless reauthorized.

Status: 1/12/11 First time Read (S)

## **HEALTH CARE/PERSONAL ASSISTANCE**

HB 55 - Sater

Sales Tax Exemption for Certain Drugs and Medical Equipment (see Funding/Tax Relief category for bill summary)

SB 42 - Chappelle-Nadal Issue 1 Increases resource limits for medical eligibility.

#### Status:

1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred to Heath, Mental Health, Seniors, and Families committee (S) Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf

1/5/11 First time Read (S)

#### SB 43 - Chappelle-Nadal

Requires long-term care facilities to be encouraged to institute policies encouraging familial involvement in the well-being and support of its residents.

This act requires the Department of Health and Senior Services to strongly encourage all long-term care facilities licensed in this state to institute policies that will encourage familial involvement in the well-being and support of residents of longterm care facilities.

## Status:

1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred to Heath, Mental Health, Seniors, and Families committee (S) Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf

1/5/11 First time Read (S)

SB 44 - Wright-Jones

Requires health carriers to devote a certain percentage of health insurance premiums to be used for the payment of health care services

This act requires all health carriers providing health insurance coverage for at least 50,000 people to expend at least 90% of their total annual Missouriassociated revenues on health care services in any given calendar year (non-health expenditures must not exceed 10% of their Missouri-associated revenue). This percentage is known as the Missouri care share under the act. The act also requires health carriers insuring at least 25,000 persons but less than 50,000 persons to expend at least 85% of their total annual Missouri-associated revenues on health care services in any given calendar year.

#### Status:

1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred to Small Business, Insurance, Industry committee (S) Chair: Rupp, Vice Chair: Parson 1/5/11 First time Read (S)

## LEGAL RIGHTS/RESPONSIBILITIES

Issue 1

SB 3 - Stouffer Establishes photo identification requirements for voting.

## Status:

1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred to Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections committee (S) Chair: Engler, Vice Chair: Wasson 1/5/11 First time Read (S)

#### HB 130 - Barnes

Enacts the Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act

This act concerns guardianship and conservatorship of minors and incapacitated adults. It repeals Section 475.060, RSMO and adds twenty-five new sections relating to the Uniform Adult Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Jurisdiction Act. Any person may file a petition to appoint himself or herself or some other qualified persons as a guardian for an incapacitated person. The act specifies the information to be included in a petition for guardianship, the nature of

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communications of Missouri courts with courts, in other states, transfer of guardianship and conservatorship, and registration and recognition of guardianship orders from other states.

## Status:

1/11/11 Second time Read

1/10/11 Introduced and First time Read (H)

## MENTAL HEALTH

No pending legislation

#### OLMSTEAD SB 56 - Rupp

Issue 1

Requires the Department of Mental Health to develop a transition plan for services of residents of state developmental disabilities facilities to the most appropriate setting

## Status:

1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred to Heath, Mental Health, Seniors, and Families committee (S) Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf

1/5/11 First time Read (S)

## SAFETY/PREVENTION

#### SB 28 - Brown

Exempts motorcyclists age 21 and older from wearing a helmet when operating a motorcycle or motortricycle

This act also exempts persons 21 years of age or older from wearing protective headgear except when operating motorcycles or motortricycles

## Status:

1/19/11 Hearing Scheduled (S)1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred toTransportation committee (S) Chair: Stouffer, ViceChair: Kehoe1/5/11 First time Read (S)

## HB 114 - Day

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 Currently, all motorcyclists are required to wear protective headgear. This bill 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.

## Status:

1/10/2011 Second time Read 1/6/2011 Introduced and First time Read

## SERVICES

No pending legislation

## OTHER

#### HB 36 Sater

Specifies that farm machinery and equipment as it relates to exemptions for sales tax will include certain all-terrain vehicles

This bill specifies that farm machinery and equipment as it relates to exemptions from sales tax will include any all terrain vehicle that is used exclusively for agricultural purposes and has a title stamped "For Farm Use Only" by the Department of Revenue.

## Status:

1/6/11 Second time Read (H) 1/5/11 First time Read (H)