

THIS WEEK IN THE MISSOURI HOUSE

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FLOOR ACTIONS

- On Tuesday, the House passed a committee substitute for **HCR 18**, which urges the Missouri Congressional delegation to vote against the federal health care reform legislation.

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

- The **House Special Standing Committee on Health Insurance** held a hearing on **HB 1311** and **HB 1341**. Both bills require health benefit plans to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders.
- The **House Special Standing Committee on Workforce Development and Workplace Safety** voted to pass a committee substitute for **HB 1544**, which extends the state's eligibility to receive federal extended unemployment benefit money to provide unemployed individuals compensation beyond the current unemployment benefit period.
- The **House Job Creation and Economic Development Committee** held a hearing on **HB 1512**, which establishes provisions to encourage the investment in and the development of technology-based early stage Missouri businesses.

Upcoming Dates of Interest

- Feb. 3 - Joint Session - State of the Judiciary at 10:30 a.m.**
- March 4 - Spring Break begins**
- March 15 - Spring Break ends**
- April 1 - Deadline for filing bills**
- April 5 - Easter Break**
- May 14 - Last Day of Session**



Reps. Dwight Scharnhorst and Jason Grill listen as Lorri Unumb from Autism Speaks testifies on their bills before the Special Committee on Health insurance.

BY THE NUMBERS

House Actions
as of 1/25/10
10 a.m.

# of House Bills Filed	625
# HBs Referred to Committee	37
# HBs Reported Do Pass	4
# HBs Reported Do Pass Consent	0
# HBs Perfected	0
# HBs Third Read	0
# HBs Reported Do Pass in the Senate	0
# HBs Third Read in the Senate	0



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COMMITTEE ACTIONS CONTINUED

- The **House Special Standing Committee on Government Accountability and Ethics Reform** held a hearing on **HB 1322**, which changes the laws regarding campaign contributions to candidates and committees, and **HB 1500**, which changes the laws regarding ethics and lobbying.
- The **House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee** held a hearing on **HB 1543**, which changes the laws regarding school employee liability, safety practices and reporting acts of violence.
- The **House Special Standing Committee on General Laws** voted do pass **HB 1442**, which changes the laws regarding certain city sales taxes.
- The **House Committee on Crime Prevention** held a hearing on **HB 1540**, which requires that judicial procedures for an infraction be the same as for a misdemeanor and requires motorists to obey reasonable signals and directions given by law enforcement in the enforcement of infractions.
- The **House Committee on Tourism** voted do pass **HB 1542**, which adds Feb. 14, Valentine's Day, when it falls on a Sunday, to the list of holidays on which any person having a license to sell intoxicating liquor by the drink may be open for business



Did you know?
The first annual address to both the House and the Senate was held by Missouri's 1st governor, Alexander McNair, on Nov. 6, 1821.

Above: Speaker Ron Richard and Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder look on as Gov. Jay Nixon gives his State of the State address.

FAST FACTS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To date, 625 bills have been filed in the House.• As of this time last year (10th legislative day), 416 bills had been filed in the House. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To date, 268 bills have been filed in the Senate.• As of this time last year, 265 bills had been filed in the Senate. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In 2009, 164 bills were Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed in both chambers.<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 115 House Bills• 49 Senate Bills |
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