

This WEEK in the Missouri HOUSE

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Floor Action...

The following bills were perfected:

- **HBs 1595/1668** - Authorize an income tax credit for part of the cost of the construction of a storm shelter. (2.25.08)

The following bills were third read and passed:

- **HB 1314** - Amy Hestir Davis Student Protection Act, aimed at protecting Missouri students from teacher misconduct. (2.28.08)
- **HB 1970** - Prohibits a person from initiating a civil action against any licensed motor vehicle dealer with whom the person did not directly and personally negotiate or communicate. (2.28.08)
- **HB 1763** - Changes the laws regarding petition circulators, including prohibiting the pay-

ment of circulators on a per-signature basis and prohibiting circulators from soliciting signatures for two or more petitions simultaneously. (2.28.08)

The following consent bills were third read and passed:

- **HB 1774** - Changes the maximum percentage of increase in annual compensation in the final average salary for members of the Public School Retirement System of Missouri. (2.25.08)
- **HB 1310** - Requires independent candidates to file declarations of candidacy and petitions for nomination by the same deadlines established for other candidates. (2.25.08)
- **HB 1406** - Establishes David's Law which requires MoDOT to establish and administer a drunk driving memorial sign program. (2.25.08)

Committee Updates...

- **Special Committee on Veterans** passed **HB 1788**, which would authorize an income tax deduction from a taxpayer's adjusted gross income for 100% of military retirement income, regardless of age or income. (2.26.08)
- **Transportation Committee** heard **HJR 67**, which proposes a constitutional amendment distributing 10% of general revenue growth to the State Road Fund and the State Transportation Fund. (2.26.08)
- **Higher Education Committee** heard **HB 1912**, which specifies that if Missouri loses a Congressional district following the 2010 redistricting, the ninth member of the University of Missouri Board of Curators will be a student curator with voting rights. (2.26.08)

Fast Facts:

- Mark Parkinson, R-16, Michele Kratky, D-65 and Mary Kassten, R-58, became the newest members of the House. There are now:
- **91** Republican House members
- **70** Democrats in the House
- **33** women and **128** men serving in the House
- **2** seats remain vacant - districts **18** and **70**



Did you know?

About 5,200 tons of steel were used to build Missouri's Capitol - as much steel as found in the Gateway Arch.

Photo of the Week

Mizzou Football Coach Gary Pinkel joins Speaker Rod Jetton, MU Chancellor Brady Deaton, Rep. Robb, Rep. Baker, Rep. Hobbs and Rep. Rucker to receive a resolution commemorating the team's 2007 football season.



2008 House Actions as of 3/3/08 9:00 a.m.

# House Bills Filed	1,044
# HBs Reported Do Pass	49
# HBs Reported Do Pass Consent	52
# HBs Perfected	13
# HBs Third Read	12
# HBs Third Read Consent	13
# HBs Reported Do Pass in the Senate	5
# HBs Third Read in the Senate	1

Upcoming Dates of Interest

- March 13** - Spring break begins
- March 25** - Spring/Easter break ends - Reconvene at 4:00 p.m.
- April 1** - Last Day for Introduction of Bills
- May 9** - Appropriation Bills must be Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed - 6:00 p.m.
- May 16** - Session Ends - 6:00 p.m.
- May 30** - Adjournment per Constitution