

Voting Guide



Bill/Sponsor	Issue	Summary	Position/Explanation
SB 2 (Scott)	Clean Streams	Prohibits certain activities and items (ie. Styrofoam, beads) on the rivers of this state.	SUPPORT – already banned on federal rivers
SB 11 (Bartle)/ HB 224 (Yates)	Ethanol Mandate	Repeals the provisions of law regarding the Missouri Renewable Fuel Standard Act, which requires all fuel sold in Missouri to contain 10% ethanol.	SUPPORT – Using food crops for fuel is harmful to the environment and raises the price of food.
SB 57 (Stouffer)	Billboards	Allows billboards to be upgraded to new digital technology and allows billboards along I-70 and I-44 to be rebuilt in of future reconstruction.	OPPOSE
SB 59 (Stouffer) / SB 100 (Schaefer)	Radioactive Waste	Charges shippers of radioactive waste a special fee, similar to that charged by surrounding states; funds would enable DNR to monitor shipments.	SUPPORT – discourages shippers from using MO as primary radioactive waste route
SB 124 (Bray)	Billboards	Prohibits digital and other changeable copy technology from being used on billboards.	SUPPORT – protects motorists from distracting signage and prevents additional visual blight
SB 125 (Bray)	Transportation – Context Sensitive Solns.	Requires MoDOT to embrace design solutions based on on-going public involvement and respect surrounding environment and community.	SUPPORT – Good transportation planning improves quality of life.
SB 172 (Green)	Clean Streams	Prohibits Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD) from charging any landowner for storm water management services if MSD does not provide sanitary sewer service to the landowner's property.	OPPOSE
SB 173 (Green)	Renewable Energy Home Installations	Creates the Renewable Energy Generation Grant Program to provide grants to homeowners to buy and install equipment for renewable energy sources.	SUPPORT
SR 210 (Schaefer)	TV disposal	Senate Resolution urging Missourians to recycle their unwanted analog television sets instead of landfilling them	SUPPORT
SB 228 (Scott)	CWIP	Repeals the Construction Work in Progress law to allow utilities to finance construction of new plants by charging rate payers in advance.	OPPOSE – Unfair rate increases, overturn 1976 vote, transfer risk from shareholders to ratepayers.
SB 289 (Griesheimer)	Transportation Development Districts	Defines term "project" as used in a Transportation Development District (TDD) to exclude terrace walls, berms, landscaping, parking lots, etc., which benefit a private commercial developer rather than larger public interest.	SUPPORT
SB 340 (Bray)	Plastic Bag Reduction	Requires supermarkets to only provide recyclable paper bags, compostable plastic bags, or reusable cloth bags to customers.	SUPPORT
HB 31 (Sater)	Hybrid Tax Credits	Income tax deduction for purchase of hybrid motor vehicle.	SUPPORT

HB 35 (Sater)	Renewable Energy Tax Deduction	Income tax deduction for purchase of certain qualified fuel cell or solar energy property to generate electricity in home residences.	SUPPORT
HB 67 (Bivins)	Dam and reservoir safety	Requires high hazard dams be inspected; also requires operating permit. Includes a system of inspection and permit fees.	SUPPORT
HB 109 (Bivins)	Audit Privilege	Prevents prosecution for environmental violations if a company voluntarily discloses it.	OPPOSE – unneeded; no case where DNR has prosecuted a company for illegal pollution that they voluntarily disclosed
HB 246 (Loehner)	Sand and Gravel	Changes law regarding sand and gravel mining	OPPOSE as introduced but work to improve - 5,000 ton per year limit is too high
HB 457 Holsman	Night Sky Protection	Establishes Night Sky Protection Act to reduce amount of light emitted into night sky to near natural levels for specified protected places.	SUPPORT
HB 471 (Low)	Energy Efficiency Home Ratings	Requires sellers of newly constructed residential homes to disclose to initial purchasers the energy efficiency rating of homes based on the energy star rating system.	SUPPORT
HB 472 (Low)	Energy Efficiency Loans	Establishes the Missouri Alternative Energy Loan Authority to provide low-interest loans to public and private entities for financing various energy-saving products and services.	SUPPORT
HB 642 (Sutherland)	Multi-modal Transportation	Requires MoDOT to provide full consideration for bicyclists, pedestrians, disabled persons and transit users in its plans, programs and projects.	SUPPORT
HB 661 (Ruzicka)	Scrap tire fee	Extends scrap and waste tire fee through 1/1/20. Recommends changes in allocations percentages of Scrap Tire Sub-account Funds. Provides funding assistance to local governments for disposal of illegally dumped scrap tires.	SUPPORT
Not yet filed (Brown)	Statewide energy code	Adopts a version of the International Energy Conservation Code, a statewide energy code for buildings.	SUPPORT – MO is one of 8 states without energy codes. Saves ratepayers on energy costs; decreases energy demand
Not yet filed (Brown)	Utility Efficiency	Creates incentive for utilities to implement energy efficiency programs.	SUPPORT - saves consumers money, reduces pollution, decreases need for new capacity
Not yet filed (Smith)	Green Building	Green building tax credits for residential and commercial, hybrid vehicle tax credits, Energy Star requirement for appliances purchased with state funds, and green schools fund.	SUPPORT - green buildings decrease energy and water use and lower operating expenses

