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Welcome to the second issue of the 2011 Legislative Update with the 96th 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 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

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 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)

Issue 1

SB 37 - Lembke

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:

1/6/11 Second time Read (H)

1/5/11 First time Read (H)

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 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 Health, 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 long-term care facilities.

Status:

1/12/11 Second time Read and Referred to Health, 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 Missouri-associated 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