

THIS WEEK IN THE MISSOURI HOUSE

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FLOOR ACTIONS

The House third read and passed the following bills:

- **HB 1559**, which changes the dates for submitting an annual status report to the consolidated library district, county commission, and the State Library Commission.
- **HB 1745**, which requires the State Treasurer to hold and maintain military medals until their owner or his or her heirs can be found, and authorizes the treasurer to designate an organization to be the custodian of a medal.
- **HB 1208**, which adds the person designated by a military member in a United States Department of Defense form to the term next-of-kin as it relates to the right of sepulcher in final disposition of the decedent's remains.
- **HJR 76**, which proposes a constitutional amendment requiring four-sevenths majority for voter approval of any initiative relating to bird, fish, game, wildlife, or forestry resources.
- **HJR 86**, which proposes a constitutional amendment affirming the right to raise animals in a humane manner in order to protect Missouri's agricultural economy.
- **HCS HB 1903**, which creates the Federal Budget Stabilization Extension Fund to receive moneys from any federal job creation legislation enacted by the 111th United States Congress.
- **HB 1519**, which changes the laws regarding assault and tampering crimes against public workers and judicial officers.

BY THE NUMBERS

House Actions
as of 3/8/10
9:30 a.m.

# House Bills Filed	1,153
# of HBs Referred to Committee	422
# HBs Reported Do Pass	73
# HBs Reported Do Pass Consent	51
# HBs Perfected	20
# HBs Third Read	15
# HBs Reported Do Pass in the Senate	2
# HBs Third Read in the Senate	2

Dates of Interest

- **March 15 - Spring Break ends**
- **Deadline for filing bills - April 1**
- **April 5 - Easter Break**
- **May 7 - Appropriation bills must be Truly Agreed and Finally Passed**
- **May 14 - Session ends**
- **July 14 - Deadline for the governor to sign bills**
- **September 16- Veto session begins**

Photo of the Week



Reps. Vicki Englund, D-St. Louis, Rachel Storch, D-St. Louis and Mike Colona, D-St. Louis, gather for a discussion on the house floor.



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COMMITTEE ACTIONS

- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on General Laws** voted do pass on **HB 1444**, which requires certain public governing bodies to hold a public meeting and to allow public comment four business days prior to voting on certain issues
- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on General laws** voted do pass on **HJR 63**, which proposes a constitutional amendment changing the requirements for submitting an initiative petition that proposes an amendment to the Missouri Constitution by increasing the number of signatures required.
- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on General Laws** voted do pass on **HJR 78**, which proposes a constitutional amendment requiring a three-fifths majority vote to amend the Missouri Constitution.
- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on Higher Education** held a hearing on **HB 1812**, which changes the amounts of financial assistance awards from the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program.
- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on Public Safety** held a hearing on **HB 2213**, which specifies that certain medical assistants will not be liable for civil damages when rendering care or treatment within the scope of their license dur-



Rep. Jeanie Riddle, R-Mokane, listens as Cole County Sheriff Greg White testifies in favor of HB 2081 which specifies that a pregnant woman may use deadly force to protect her unborn child if she believes that deadly force is necessary.

FAST FACTS

March is Women's History Month.

- Jean Carnahan became the first female U.S. Senator from Missouri when then Governor Roger B. Wilson appointed her to replace her husband, Mel, in 2001.
- Claire McCaskill was the first woman ever *elected* to the U.S. Senate from Missouri in 2006.
- The first female governor of any U.S. state, Nellie Tayloe Ross, was born in Andrew County near Amazonia, Missouri in 1876.

- ing a search and rescue or tactical operation.
- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on Public Safety** held a hearing on **HB 1538**, which adds certain emergency medical technicians to the list of persons who can report anyone diagnosed or assessed with a condition that may prevent the safe operation of a motor vehicle.
- On Tuesday, the **House Special Committee on General Laws** held a hearing on **HJR 62**, which proposes a constitutional amendment guaranteeing a citizen's right to pray and worship on public property and reaffirming a citizen's right to choose any or no religion.
- On Tuesday, the **House Committee on Healthcare Transformation** voted do pass on **HB 1964**, which changes the laws regarding the Missouri Health Insurance Pool.
- On Wednesday, the **House Committee on Judiciary** held a hearing on **HB 1957**, which requires local law enforcement agencies and other government agencies serving ex parte orders of protection to enter the data into the Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement System within 24 hours.
- On Wednesday, the **House Committee on Health Care Policy** held a hearing on **HB 1822**, which establishes provisions regarding the licensure of tanning facilities by the Department of Health and Senior Services.