

Journal of the Senate

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

THIRTIETH DAY - MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Wasinger in the Chair.

The Reverend Stephen George offered the following prayer:

“In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps.” (Proverbs 16:9 NIV)

Almighty God, Your word reminds us that though we make our plans, it is You who guides our steps. We ask that You would guide our discussions and deliberations this week. Establish our steps in a way that brings blessings to all of the people in our great state, and bring glory to You. Let our work this week reflect a spirit of service rather than self-interest, cooperation rather than division, and purpose rather than pride. We ask this in Your Holy Name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

A quorum being established, the Senate proceeded with its business.

The Journal for Thursday, February 27, 2025 was read and approved.

The following Senators were present during the day’s proceedings:

Present—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (26)	Burger
Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)	Gregory (21)
Henderson	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery
Moon	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O’Laughlin	Roberts	Schnelting
Schroer	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—33		

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senator Brown (16)—1

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

RESOLUTIONS

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 208, regarding Eagle Scout Logan Clayton Boyle, Harrisonville, which was adopted.

Senator Fitzwater offered Senate Resolution No. 209, regarding Abhinav Krovvidi, Wentzville, which was adopted.

Senator Fitzwater offered Senate Resolution No. 210, regarding Jeffrey Pegg, Eolia, which was adopted.

Senator Fitzwater offered Senate Resolution No. 211, regarding Detective Scott Gruswitz, Wentzville, which was adopted.

Senator Luetkemeyer offered Senate Resolution No. 212, regarding Eagle Scout Cristian David Murillo, Kansas City, which was adopted.

Senator Luetkemeyer offered Senate Resolution No. 213, regarding Eagle Scout Noah Joseph Woods, Kansas City, which was adopted.

Senator Luetkemeyer offered Senate Resolution No. 214, regarding Andrea Garcia, Riverside, which was adopted.

Senator Bernskoetter offered Senate Resolution No. 215, regarding the Blair Oaks High School Falcons football team, Wardsville, which was adopted.

Senator Crawford offered Senate Resolution No. 216, regarding Erika Rehmer, Sedalia, which was adopted.

Senator Burger offered Senate Resolution No. 217, regarding Julie Burger, Scott City, which was adopted.

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

Senator Hudson moved that **SB 160**, with **SS** (pending), be called from the Informal Calendar and again taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

SS for **SB 160** was again taken up.

Senator Hudson moved that **SS** for **SB 160** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Hudson, **SS** for **SB 160** was declared perfected and ordered printed.

Senator McCreery moved that **SB 66** be taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

Senator McCreery offered **SS** for **SB 66**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 66

An Act to repeal sections 451.040, 451.080, and 451.090, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to the age of marriage, with existing penalty provisions.

Senator McCreery moved that **SS** for **SB 66** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator McCreery, **SS** for **SB 66** was declared perfected and ordered printed.

SB 107 was placed on the Informal Calendar.

At the request of Senator Beck, **SB 31** was placed on the Informal Calendar.

Senator Washington moved that **SB 38** be taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

Senator Washington offered **SS** for **SB 38**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 38

An Act to amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to discriminatory practices as such practices relate to hairstyles in elementary and secondary educational institutions.

Senator Washington moved that **SS** for **SB 38** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Washington, **SS** for **SB 38** was declared perfected and ordered printed.

SB 62, with **SCS**, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

Senator Black moved that **SB 218** be taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

Senator Black offered **SS** for **SB 218**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 218

An Act to repeal section 478.001, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to treatment court divisions.

Senator Black moved that **SS** for **SB 218** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Black, **SS** for **SB 218** was declared perfected and ordered printed.

Senator Fitzwater moved that **SB 43** be taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

Senator Fitzwater offered **SS** for **SB 43**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 43

An Act to repeal sections 210.112, 210.145, 210.160, 210.560, 210.565, 210.762, 211.032, 211.211, 211.261, and 211.462, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof fifteen new sections relating to child protection.

Senator Fitzwater moved that **SS** for **SB 43** be adopted.

Senator Hudson offered **SA 1**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 43, Page 42, Section 477.715, Line 15, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“537.046. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) “Childhood sexual abuse”, any act committed by the defendant against the plaintiff which act occurred when the plaintiff was under the age of eighteen years and which act would have been a violation of section 566.030, [566.040, 566.050] **566.031, 566.032, 566.034**, 566.060, [566.070, 566.080, 566.090] **566.061, 566.062, 566.064, 566.067, 566.068, 566.069, 566.071, 566.083, 566.086, 566.093, 566.095**, 566.100, [566.110, or 566.120] **566.101, 566.209, 566.210, 566.211**, or [section] 568.020;

(2) “Injury” or “illness”, either a physical injury or illness or a psychological injury or illness. A psychological injury or illness need not be accompanied by physical injury or illness.

2. Any action to recover damages from injury or illness caused by childhood sexual abuse in an action brought pursuant to this section shall be commenced within ten years of the plaintiff attaining the age of twenty-one or within three years of the date the plaintiff discovers, or reasonably should have discovered, that the injury or illness was caused by childhood sexual abuse, whichever later occurs.

3. This section shall apply to any action commenced on or after August 28, [2004] **2025**, including any action which would have been barred by the application of the statute of limitation applicable prior to that date.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a nondisclosure agreement by any party to a childhood sexual abuse action shall not be judicially enforceable in a dispute involving childhood sexual abuse allegations or claims, and shall be void.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Hudson moved that the above amendment be adopted.

Senator Burger assumed the Chair.

Senator McCreery offered **SA 1 to SA 1**, which was read:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO
SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Amendment No. 1 to Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 43, Page 2, Section 537.046, Line 34, by inserting after “void” the following: “, **unless the victim of childhood sexual abuse chooses to have the nondisclosure agreement enforced in disputes or claims**”.

Senator McCreery moved that the above amendment be adopted.

At the request of Senator McCreery, **SA 1 to SA 1** was withdrawn.

Senator Hudson moved that **SA 1** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Brattin offered **SA 2**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 43, Page 38, Section 211.462, Line 34, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“452.425. Any court order for the custody of, or visitation with, a child [may] **shall** include a provision that the sheriff or other law enforcement officer shall enforce the rights of any person to custody or visitation unless the court issues a subsequent order pursuant to chapter 210, 211, 452 or 455 to limit or deny the custody of, or visitations with, the child. Such sheriff or law enforcement officer shall not remove a child from a person who has actual physical custody of the child unless such sheriff or officer is shown a court order or judgment which clearly and convincingly verifies that such person is not entitled to the actual physical custody of the child, and there are not other exigent circumstances that would give the

sheriff or officer reasonable suspicion to believe that the child would be harmed or that the court order presented to the sheriff or officer may not be valid.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Brattin moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Moon offered **SA 3**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 3

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 43, Page 42, Section 477.715, Line 15, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“568.045. 1. A person commits the offense of endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree if he or she:

(1) Knowingly acts in a manner that creates a substantial risk to the life, body, or health of a child less than seventeen years of age; or

(2) Knowingly engages in sexual conduct with a person under the age of [seventeen] **eighteen** years over whom the person is a parent, guardian, or otherwise charged with the care and custody;

(3) Knowingly encourages, aids or causes a child less than seventeen years of age to engage in any conduct which violates the provisions of chapter 571 or 579;

(4) In the presence of a child less than seventeen years of age or in a residence where a child less than seventeen years of age resides, unlawfully manufactures or attempts to manufacture compounds, possesses, produces, prepares, sells, transports, tests or analyzes amphetamine or methamphetamine or any of its analogues.

2. The offense of endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree is a class D felony unless the offense:

(1) Is committed as part of an act or series of acts performed by two or more persons as part of an established or prescribed pattern of activity, or where physical injury to the child results, or the offense is a second or subsequent offense under this section, in which case the offense is a class C felony;

(2) Results in serious physical injury to the child, in which case the offense is a class B felony; or

(3) Results in the death of a child, in which case the offense is a class A felony.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

Senator Moon moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

Senator Webber offered **SA 4**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 4

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 43, Page 8, Section 210.119, Lines 27-39, by striking all of said lines from the bill; and further renumber the remaining subsection accordingly.

Senator Webber moved that the above amendment be adopted.

At the request of Senator Fitzwater, **SB 43**, with **SS** and **SA 4** (pending), was placed on the Informal Calendar.

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin assumed the Chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator Luetkemeyer, Chair of the Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics, submitted the following reports:

Madam President: Your Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics, to which were referred **SS** for **SB 160**, **SS** for **SB 66**, **SS** for **SB 38**, and **SS** for **SB 218**, begs leave to report that it has examined the same and finds that the bills have been truly perfected and that the printed copies furnished the Senators are correct.

Senator Fitzwater, Chair of the Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety, to which was referred **HCS No. 2** for **HB 495**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

Senator Black, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, Elections, and Pensions, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Local Government, Elections, and Pensions, to which was referred **SB 152**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill do pass.

Senator Brown (26), Chair of the Committee on Economic and Workforce Development, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Economic and Workforce Development, to which was referred **SB 101** and **SB 64**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

Senator Burger assumed the Chair.

REFERRALS

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin referred **HCS No. 2** for **HB 495**, with **SCS**, and **SS** for **SB 218** to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following Joint Resolutions were read the 2nd time and referred by the President Pro Tem to the Committees indicated:

SJR 51—General Laws.

SJR 52—Families, Seniors, and Health.

SJR 53—General Laws.

SJR 54—Economic and Workforce Development.

SJR 55—Families, Seniors, and Health.

SJR 56—Economic and Workforce Development.

SJR 57—Families, Seniors, and Health.

SJR 58—Education.

SJR 59—Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources.

SJR 60—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

SJR 61—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

SJR 62—Local Government, Elections, and Pensions.

SJR 63—Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence.

SJR 64—Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Senator Webber introduced to the Senate, his uncle and aunt, Tim and Mary Webber, Harrisburg, PA.

On motion of Senator Luetkemeyer, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

SENATE CALENDAR

THIRTY-FIRST DAY—TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025

FORMAL CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 567-Gregory (21)
SB 568-Gregory (21)
SB 569-Roberts
SB 570-Hough
SB 571-Coleman
SB 572-Coleman
SB 573-Coleman
SB 574-Schroer
SB 575-Schroer

SB 576-Schroer
SB 577-Schroer
SB 578-Bernskoetter
SB 579-Hudson
SB 580-Hudson
SB 581-Henderson
SB 582-Nurrenbern
SB 583-Gregory (15)
SB 584-Gregory (21)

SB 585-Brown (16)	SB 633-Bernskoetter
SB 586-Hough	SB 634-Brown (16)
SB 587-Hudson	SB 635-Gregory (21)
SB 588-Hudson	SB 636-Gregory (21)
SB 589-Hudson and Coleman	SB 637-Roberts
SB 590-Hudson and Coleman	SB 638-Brattin
SB 591-Hudson	SB 639-Henderson
SB 592-Carter	SB 640-Henderson
SB 593-Burger	SB 641-May
SB 594-Burger	SB 642-Hudson
SB 595-Burger	SB 643-Hudson
SB 596-Gregory (15)	SB 644-Crawford
SB 597-Gregory (15)	SB 645-Schroer
SB 598-Gregory (15)	SB 646-Carter
SB 599-Gregory (15)	SB 647-Trent
SB 600-Schnelting	SB 648-Trent
SB 601-Gregory (21)	SB 649-Trent
SB 602-Gregory (21)	SB 650-Gregory (15)
SB 603-McCreery	SB 651-Gregory (15)
SB 604-McCreery	SB 652-Gregory (15)
SB 605-McCreery	SB 653-Cierpiot
SB 606-McCreery	SB 654-Burger
SB 607-McCreery	SB 655-Burger
SB 608-Lewis	SB 656-Bean
SB 609-Lewis	SB 657-Crawford
SB 610-Gregory (21)	SB 658-Crawford
SB 611-May	SB 659-Webber
SB 612-May	SB 660-Williams
SB 613-Schnelting	SB 661-Williams
SB 614-Fitzwater	SB 662-Brattin
SB 615-Fitzwater	SB 663-Brattin
SB 616-Webber	SB 664-Brattin
SB 617-Webber	SB 665-Nicola
SB 618-Cierpiot	SB 666-Crawford
SB 619-Moon	SB 667-Henderson
SB 620-Gregory (15)	SB 668-Hudson
SB 621-Gregory (15)	SB 669-Gregory (15)
SB 622-Gregory (15)	SB 670-Gregory (15)
SB 623-Hudson	SB 671-Gregory (15)
SB 624-Hudson	SB 672-Gregory (15)
SB 625-Moon	SB 673-Gregory (21)
SB 626-Carter	SB 674-Gregory (21)
SB 627-Webber	SB 675-Gregory (15)
SB 628-Webber	SB 676-Schroer
SB 629-Webber	SB 677-Hudson
SB 630-Cierpiot	SB 678-Hudson
SB 631-Brattin	SB 679-Nurrenbern
SB 632-Schroer	SB 680-Carter

SB 681-Carter	SB 729-Coleman
SB 682-Hudson	SB 730-Schroer
SB 683-Beck	SB 731-Webber
SB 684-Bernskoetter	SB 732-Webber
SB 685-Brown (16)	SB 733-Webber
SB 686-Carter	SB 734-Webber
SB 687-Hudson	SB 735-Brown (16)
SB 688-Lewis	SB 736-Brown (16)
SB 689-Coleman	SB 737-Henderson
SB 690-Gregory (21)	SB 738-Nurrenbern
SB 691-May	SB 739-Schnelting
SB 692-May	SB 740-Schnelting
SB 693-May	SB 741-Schroer
SB 694-May	SB 742-Schroer
SB 695-Nurrenbern	SB 743-Brown (16)
SB 696-Lewis, et al	SB 744-Schroer
SB 697-Henderson	SB 745-Burger
SB 698-Moon	SB 746-Schnelting
SB 699-Moon	SB 747-Schnelting
SB 700-Moon	SB 748-Carter
SB 701-Moon	SB 749-Crawford
SB 702-Brattin	SB 750-McCreery
SB 703-Burger	SB 751-McCreery
SB 704-Nicola	SB 752-Gregory (21)
SB 705-Lewis	SB 753-Hough
SB 706-Hudson	SB 754-Carter
SB 707-Hudson, et al	SB 755-Carter
SB 708-Black	SB 756-Coleman
SB 709-Black	SB 757-Coleman
SB 710-Nurrenbern	SB 758-Beck
SB 711-Nicola	SB 759-Brown (26)
SB 712-Nicola	SB 760-Burger
SB 713-Gregory (21)	SB 761-Hudson
SB 714-Gregory (21)	SB 762-Cierpiot
SB 715-Gregory (21)	SB 763-Nicola
SB 716-Fitzwater	SB 764-Nicola
SB 717-Trent	SB 765-Nicola
SB 718-Roberts	SB 766-Lewis
SB 719-Coleman	SB 767-Moon
SB 720-Coleman	SB 768-Moon
SB 721-Coleman	SB 769-Moon
SB 722-Coleman	SB 770-Moon
SB 723-Coleman	SB 771-Moon
SB 724-Coleman	SB 772-Moon
SB 725-Coleman	SB 773-Moon
SB 726-Henderson	SB 774-Moon
SB 727-Hudson	SB 775-Moon
SB 728-Coleman	SB 776-Gregory (21)

SB 777-Mosley	SB 806-Bernskoetter
SB 778-Trent	SB 807-Bernskoetter
SB 779-Trent	SB 808-O'Laughlin
SB 780-Black	SB 809-Carter
SB 781-Black	SB 810-Carter
SB 782-Roberts	SB 811-Carter
SB 783-Lewis	SB 812-Carter
SB 784-Henderson	SB 813-Black
SB 785-Hudson	SB 814-May
SB 786-Nicola	SB 815-Williams
SB 787-Nicola	SB 816-McCreery
SB 788-Bernskoetter	SB 817-McCreery
SB 789-Fitzwater	SB 818-Washington
SB 790-Gregory (21)	SB 819-Washington
SB 791-Henderson	SB 820-Washington
SB 792-Brattin	SB 821-Washington
SB 793-Brattin	SB 822-Washington
SB 794-Brattin	SB 823-Washington
SB 795-Brattin	SB 824-Mosley
SB 796-Brattin	SB 825-Gregory (21)
SB 797-Schroer	SB 826-Gregory (21)
SB 798-Schroer	SB 827-Gregory (21)
SB 799-Schroer	SB 828-Gregory (21)
SB 800-May	SB 829-Gregory (21)
SB 801-Brown (16)	SB 830-Bean
SB 802-Hudson	SB 831-Fitzwater
SB 803-Hudson	SB 832-Black
SB 804-Beck	SB 833-Luetkemeyer
SB 805-Nurrenbern	

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

HB 544-Diehl	HB 875-Chappell
HB 68-Overcast	HCS for HBs 850, 53 & 482
HCS for HB 339	HB 269-Shields
HCS for HB 247	HCS for HBs 177 & 469
HCS for HBs 243 & 280	HCS for HJR 23 & 3

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SS for SCS for SB 466-Gregory (21) (In Fiscal Oversight)	SS for SCS for SB 82-Burger (In Fiscal Oversight)
	SS for SB 221-Schroer

SS for SB 160-Hudson
SS for SB 66-McCreery
SS for SB 38-Washington

SS for SB 218-Black
(In Fiscal Oversight)

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

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| 1. SB 87-Nicola, with SCS | 7. SB 54-Schroer, with SCS |
| 2. SB 35-Roberts, with SCS | 8. SB 190-Brown (16) |
| 3. SB 150-Carter | 9. SB 23-Brattin, with SCS |
| 4. SB 71-Gregory (15), with SCS | 10. SB 152-Brown (26) |
| 5. SB 77-Schnelting, et al | 11. SBs 101 & 64-Cierpiot, with SCS |
| 6. SB 61-Brown (26) | |

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HCS for HBs 594 & 508 (Trent)
(In Fiscal Oversight)

HCS#2 for HB 495, with SCS (Schroer)
(In Fiscal Oversight)

INFORMAL CALENDAR

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 5-Cierpiot	SB 58-Carter and Moon, with SCS
SB 6-Cierpiot	SB 62-Brown (26), with SCS
SB 8-Bernskoetter	SB 79-Gregory (21)
SB 14-Brown (16)	SB 84-Burger
SB 31-Beck	SB 107-Brown (16)
SB 43-Fitzwater, with SS & SA 4 (pending)	SBs 215 & 70-Trent, with SCS
SB 46-Trent and Coleman	
SBs 52 & 44-Schroer and Carter, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 3 (pending)	

RESOLUTIONS

SR 18-May
SR 32-Moon

SR 39-Nurrenbern

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