

# Journal of the Senate

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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**FORTY-FIRST DAY - MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2026**

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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Wasinger in the Chair.

Senator Hudson offered the following prayer:

1 Peter 4:10: "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank You for Your grace. Every ability, every opportunity, every moment we are given is given to us not because of who we are, but because of who You are. In loving us You have shown us how we should love others, in blessing us You have shown us how we should freely give, and in forgiving us You have set an example of the forgiveness we should show to one another. Please help us to recognize that all of the gifts, talents, and resources that we are blessed with come from You and are meant to be used for Your glory and for the furtherance of Your kingdom. In honoring this truth we will not only be a blessing to others, but we will also find the fulfillment that comes from discovering how we were made to live. In this, and in everything, help us, Dear Lord.

In Jesus 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, March 26, 2026, was read and approved.

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

Present—Senators

Bean	Beck	Bernskoetter	Black	Brattin	Brown (16)	Brown (26)
Burger	Carter	Cierpiot	Coleman	Crawford	Fitzwater	Gregory (15)
Gregory (21)	Henderson	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May	McCreery
Moon	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Schnelting	Schroer
Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—32			

Absent—Senator Hough—1

Absent with leave—Senator Roberts—1

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

## RESOLUTIONS

Senator Henderson offered Senate Resolution No. 838, regarding Annie McCaul, Potosi, which was adopted.

Senator Henderson offered Senate Resolution No. 839, regarding Jessica Majewski, Festus, which was adopted.

Senator Carter offered Senate Resolution No. 840, regarding Gary Shaw, Joplin, which was adopted.

Senator McCreery offered Senate Resolution No. 841, regarding Jesse Hill, St. Louis, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 842, regarding Violet Jager, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 843, regarding Kailee Burke, which was adopted.

Senator Brattin offered Senate Resolution No. 844, regarding Amanda Breckenridge, Rich Hill, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 845, regarding Deborah Hill, Mexico, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 846, regarding Betty Wilson, Moberly, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 847, regarding Amy Triplett, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 848, regarding Danny Norton, Memphis, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 849, regarding Dana Donaldson-Brown, Memphis, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 850, regarding Cristal Bane, La Plata, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 851, regarding Patricia Riggs, Sedalia, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 852, regarding Brenda McAtee, Cairo, which was adopted.

Senator Burger offered Senate Resolution No. 853, regarding the death of Henry Jason Ray Franklin, Sikeston, which was adopted.

Senator Bean offered Senate Resolution No. 854, regarding Old Times Antique Mall, Dexter, which was adopted.

Senator Bean offered Senate Resolution No. 855, regarding Heather Waddle, Dexter, which was adopted.

Senator Bean offered Senate Resolution No. 856, regarding American Legion Post 59, Dexter, which was adopted.

Senator Bean offered Senate Resolution No. 857, regarding Joseph Craig, Dexter, which was adopted.

Senator Schroer offered Senate Resolution No. 858, regarding Elise Woodruff, O'Fallon, which was adopted.

**MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following messages were received from the Governor, reading of which was waived:

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Rodney E. Southard, 18380 Maries Highway 63, Rolla, Maries County, Missouri 65401, as Maries County Eastern District Commissioner, for a term ending at the pleasure of the Governor, and until his successor is duly elected or appointed and qualified; vice, Doug Drewel, retired.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Christopher W. Dumm, Republican, 3619 Notting Hill Drive, Joplin, Newton County, Missouri 64804, as a member of the Missouri Southern State University Board of Governors, for a term ending August 30, 2028, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice Carlos Haley, term expired.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Amber M. Henry, 14025 State Road E, De Soto, Jefferson County, Missouri 63020, as a member of the Missouri State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for a term ending December 12, 2029, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Connie Cierpiot, term expired.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Nicholas D. Kasik, 27504 Mason School Road, Lee's Summit, Jackson County, Missouri 64064, as a member of the Missouri Workforce Development Board, for a term ending March 3, 2029, and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice Todd Spencer, resigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Suzanne L. Kmet, 370 Lake Horizon Drive, Gravois Mills, Camden County, Missouri 65037, as a member of the Missouri Workforce Development Board, for a term ending March 3, 2029, and until her successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Cara Canon, resigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Douglas W. Miller, 57660 Airport Road, California, Moniteau County, Missouri 65018, as Moniteau County Associate Commissioner, District I, for a term ending at the pleasure of the Governor, and until his successor is duly elected or appointed and qualified; vice, Doug Naros, resigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

Also,

GOVERNOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
March 27, 2026

To the Senate of the 103rd General Assembly of the State of Missouri:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith for your advice and consent the following appointment:

Laura H. Collins, Republican, 1288 State Highway HH, Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri 63801, as a member of the State Soil and Water Districts Commission, for a term ending August 15, 2026, and until her successor is duly appointed and qualified; vice, Keith D. Stevens, term expired.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Kehoe  
Governor

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin referred the above appointments to the Committee on Gubernatorial appointments.

### **REFERRALS**

President Pro Tem O’Laughlin referred **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 1534** to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight.

### **MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives through its Chief Clerk:

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2002**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2003**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development, the several divisions, programs, and institutions of higher education included therein to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2004**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Revenue, the Department of Transportation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2005**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Office of Administration, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Conservation, the Department of Public Safety, the Chief Executive's Office, and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2006**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Conservation, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the expenses, grants, refunds, distributions, and capital improvements projects involving the repair, replacement, and maintenance of state buildings and facilities of the Department of Natural Resources and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds, for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2007**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Economic Development, Department of Commerce and Insurance, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2008**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Public Safety and Department of National Guard and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2009**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Corrections and the several divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2010**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Health and Senior Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and the Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2011**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Social Services, and the several divisions and programs thereof, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2012**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Chief Executive's Office and Mansion, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Missouri Office of Prosecution Services, Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys and Circuit Attorneys Retirement Systems, the Judiciary and the Office of the State Public Defender, and the several divisions and programs thereof, and for the payment of salaries and mileage of members of the State Senate and the House of Representatives and contingent expenses of the General Assembly, including salaries and expenses of elective and appointive officers and necessary capital improvements expenditures; for salaries and expenses of members and employees and other necessary operating expenses of the Committee on Legislative Research, various joint committees, for the expenses of the interim committees established by the General Assembly, and for the Missouri State Capitol Commission, and to transfer money among certain funds, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2013**, entitled:

An Act to appropriate money for real property leases, related services, utilities, systems furniture, structural modifications, and related expenses for the several departments of state government and the divisions and programs thereof to be expended only as provided in Article IV, Section 28 of the Constitution of Missouri, and to transfer money among certain funds for the period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 1718**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 537.610, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to limitations on awards for certain liability claims.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 2748**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 167.720, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to physical education in schools.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HBs 3231** and **2531**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapter 620, RSMo, by adding thereto twelve new sections relating to the Missouri innovation, public safety, and accountability act.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 2636**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapter 443, RSMo, by adding thereto six new sections relating to mortgage modifications, with a severability clause.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HBs 2120** and **1698**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 160.775, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to school antibullying policies.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HBs 2035** and **2350**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 573.010 and 573.550, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to artificially generated material, with penalty provisions.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 2547**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 542.525, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to cameras on private property.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS for HB 2944**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 137.1050, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the senior citizen homestead tax credit.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Senator Henderson assumed the Chair.

### **SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION**

Senator Nicola moved that **SB 1012**, with **SCS**, be taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

**SCS for SB 1012**, entitled:

#### **SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1012**

An Act to amend chapters 1, 130, and 573, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to artificial intelligence, with penalty provisions.

Was taken up.

Senator Nicola moved that **SCS for SB 1012** be adopted.

Senator Nicola offered **SS for SCS for SB 1012**, entitled:

#### **SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1012**

An Act to amend chapters 1, 130, and 573, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to artificial intelligence, with penalty provisions and a severability clause.

Senator Nicola moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 1012** be adopted.

Senator Moon offered **SA 1**, which was read:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1012, Page 9, Section 1.2045, Line 256, by inserting immediately after “18.” the following: **“To the extent that this section is inconsistent with any provision of federal law, the relevant provision of federal law shall prevail over the inconsistent provision of this section.**

**19.”**

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

Senator Hudson offered **SA 2**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1012, Page 9, Section 1.2045, Line 263, by inserting after all of said line the following:

**“1.2058. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the “Guidelines for User Age-Verification and Responsible Dialogue Act of 2026” or the “GUARD Act”.**

**2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**

**(1) (a) “Companion chatbot”, an artificial intelligence system with a natural language interface that is made publicly available in this state and is designed to meet a user's emotional or social needs by providing adaptive, human-like responses to user inputs by doing all of the following:**

**a. Retaining information of prior interactions or user sessions and user preferences to personalize the interaction and facilitate ongoing user engagement with the companion product;**

**b. Asking unprompted or unsolicited emotion-based questions that go beyond a contextual response to a user prompt; and**

**c. Sustaining an ongoing dialogue across multiple interactions or sessions with a user concerning matters personal to the user.**

**(b) “Companion chatbot” does not include any of the following:**

**a. A chatbot that is used primarily for customer service, a business' operational purposes, productivity and analysis related to source information, internal research, or technical assistance;**

**b. A chatbot that is a feature of a video game and limited to replies related to the video game, and cannot discuss topics related to mental health, self-harm, sexually explicit conduct, or maintain a dialogue on other topics unrelated to the video game;**

**c. A consumer electronic device that incorporates a speaker and voice command interface or text interface and acts as a voice- or text-activated virtual assistant; or**

**d. A chatbot used by a partnership, corporation, or state or local government agency solely for internal purposes or employee health or productivity;**

**(2) “Covered entity”, any person who owns, operates, or otherwise makes available a companion chatbot to individuals in this state;**

**(3) “Minor”, any person seventeen years of age or under;**

**(4) “Reasonable age verification measure”, a method that is authenticated to relate to a user of a companion chatbot, including:**

**(a) A government-issued identification; or**

**(b) Any other commercially reasonable method that can reliably and accurately:**

**a. Determine whether a user is an adult; and**

**b. Prevent access by minors to companion chatbots, as required by subsection 6 of this section;**

**(5) “Reasonable age verification process”, an age verification process employed by a covered entity that:**

**(a) Uses one or more reasonable age verification measures in order to verify the age of a user of a companion chatbot owned, operated, or otherwise made available by the covered entity;**

**(b) Provides that requiring a user to confirm that the user is not a minor, or to insert the user's birth date, is not sufficient to constitute a reasonable age verification measure;**

**(c) Ensures that each user is subjected to each reasonable age verification measure used by the covered entity as part of the age verification process; and**

**(d) Does not base verification of a user's age on factors such as whether the user shares an internet protocol address, hardware identifier, or other technical indicator with another user determined not to be a minor;**

**(6) “Sexually explicit conduct”, the same meaning as defined under section 573.010.**

**3. (1) It shall be unlawful to design, develop, or make available a companion chatbot knowing or with reckless disregard for the fact that the companion chatbot poses a risk of soliciting, encouraging, or inducing minors to:**

**(a) Engage in, describe, or simulate sexually explicit conduct; or**

**(b) Create or transmit any visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct, including any visual depiction described in section 573.010.**

**(2) Any person who violates subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be fined not more than one hundred thousand dollars per offense.**

**4. (1) It shall be unlawful to design, develop, or make available a companion chatbot knowing or with reckless disregard for the fact that the companion chatbot encourages, promotes, or coerces suicide, nonsuicidal self-injury, or imminent physical or sexual violence.**

**(2) Any person who violates subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be fined not more than one hundred thousand dollars per offense.**

**5. (1) A covered entity shall require each individual accessing a companion chatbot to make a user account in order to use or otherwise interact with such chatbot.**

**(2) (a) With respect to each user account of a companion chatbot that exists as of August 28, 2026, a covered entity shall:**

**a. On such date, freeze any such account;**

**b. In order to restore the functionality of such account, require that the user provide age data that is verifiable using a reasonable age verification process, subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision; and**

**c. Using such age data, classify each user as a minor or an adult.**

**(b) At the time an individual creates a new user account to use or interact with a companion chatbot, a covered entity shall:**

**a. Request age data from the individual;**

**b. Verify the individual's age using a reasonable age verification process, subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision; and**

**c. Using such age data, classify each user as a minor or an adult.**

**(c) A covered entity shall periodically review previously verified user accounts using a reasonable age verification process, subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, to ensure compliance with this section.**

**(d) For purposes of subparagraph b. of paragraph (a) of this subdivision, subparagraph b. of paragraph (b) of this subdivision, and paragraph (c) of this subdivision, a covered entity may contract with a third party to employ reasonable age verification measures as part of the covered entity's reasonable age verification process, but the use of such third party shall not relieve the covered entity of its obligations under this section or from liability under this section.**

**(e) A covered entity shall:**

**a. Establish, implement, and maintain reasonable data security to:**

**(i) Limit collection of personal data to that which is minimally necessary to verify a user's age or maintain compliance with this section; and**

**(ii) Protect such age verification data against unauthorized access;**

**b. Protect such age verification data against unauthorized access;**

**c. Protect the integrity and confidentiality of such data by only transmitting such data using industry-standard encryption protocols;**

**d. Retain such data for no longer than is reasonably necessary to verify a user's age or maintain compliance with this section; and**

**e. Not share with, transfer to, or sell to any other entity such data.**

**(3) (a) Each companion chatbot made available to users shall:**

**a. At the initiation of each conversation with a user and at thirty-minute intervals, clearly and conspicuously disclose to the user that the chatbot is an artificial intelligence system and not a human being; and**

**b. Be programmed to ensure that the chatbot does not claim to be a human being or otherwise respond deceptively when asked by a user if the chatbot is a human being.**

**(b) a. A companion chatbot shall not represent, directly or indirectly, that the chatbot is a licensed professional, including a therapist, physician, lawyer, financial advisor, or other professional.**

**b. Each companion chatbot made available to users shall, at the initiation of each conversation with a user and at reasonably regular intervals, clearly and conspicuously disclose to the user that:**

**(i) The chatbot does not provide medical, legal, financial, or psychological services; and**

**(ii) Users of the chatbot should consult a licensed professional for such advice.**

**6. If the age verification process described in subdivision (2) of subsection 5 of this section determines that an individual is a minor, a covered entity shall prohibit the minor from accessing or using any companion chatbot owned, operated, or otherwise made available by the covered entity.**

**7. (1) In the case of a violation of subsection 5 or 6 of this section, or a rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, the attorney general may bring a civil action in an appropriate circuit court to:**

**(a) Enjoin the violation;**

**(b) Enforce compliance with subsection 5 or 6 of this section, or any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder; or**

**(c) Obtain civil penalties under subdivision (3) of this subsection, restitution, or other appropriate relief.**

**(2) (a) For the purpose of conducting investigations or bringing enforcement actions under this section, the attorney general may issue subpoenas, administer oaths, and compel the production of documents or testimony.**

**(b) The attorney general may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general**

assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2026, shall be invalid and void.

(3) (a) Any person who violates subsection 5 or 6 of this section, or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars for each violation.

(b) Each violation described in paragraph (a) of this subdivision shall be considered a separate violation.

(4) In any case in which the attorney general has reason to believe that an interest of the residents of this state has been or is being threatened or adversely affected by the engagement of any covered entity in a violation of this section, or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, the attorney general, as *parens patriae*, may bring a civil action on behalf of the residents of this state in a circuit court of this state with appropriate jurisdiction to obtain injunctive relief.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

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

Senator Beck offered SA 3:

#### SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 3

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1012, Page 11, Section 130.165, Line 72, by inserting after all of said line the following:

“324.049. 1. The board of registration for the healing arts, the Missouri dental board, the board of nursing, and the board of pharmacy shall not grant any regulatory mitigation or waive or modify any rules related to dispensing, prescribing, including prescription renewals, administering, or otherwise distributing medications or controlled substances to a person or business developing, creating, or generating artificial intelligence for the use of dispensing, prescribing, including prescription renewals, administering, or otherwise distributing medications or controlled substances.

2. As used in this section, the term “artificial intelligence” means an artificial intelligence technology system that:

(1) Is trained on data;

(2) Is designed to simulate human conversation with a consumer through text, audio, or visual communication; and

(3) Generates nonscripted outputs similar to outputs created by a human, with limited or no human oversight.”; and

Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.

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

Senator Gregory (15) offered **SA 4**:

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. 4

Amend Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1012, Page 9, Section 1.2045, Line 263, by inserting after all of said line the following:

**“19. No settlement agreement, consent decree, or other resolution of any action filed or maintained pursuant to the provisions of this section shall include any term or condition that prohibits or restricts a party from disclosing facts, allegations, evidence, or settlement terms relating to such action.**

**20. Any nondisclosure, confidentiality, or similar provision included in violation of this section shall be void and unenforceable as contrary to public policy.**

**21. A court of competent jurisdiction shall not approve, enforce, or incorporate into any judgment any settlement containing a provision prohibited by this section.**

**22. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a court from issuing protective orders necessary to safeguard personal identifying information, trade secrets, or other confidential information unrelated to the facts of the underlying claim.”.**

Senator Gregory (15) moved that the above amendment be adopted, which motion prevailed.

At the request of Senator Nicola, **SB 1012**, with **SCS** and **SS** for **SCS** (pending), was placed on the Informal Calendar.

At the request of Senator Crawford, **SBs 1410** and **853**, with **SCS**, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

At the request of Senator Hudson, **SJR 111**, with **SCS**, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

At the request of Senator Hudson, **SB 1442**, with **SCS**, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

Senator Mosley moved that **SB 1652**, with **SCS**, be taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

**SCS** for **SB 1652**, entitled:

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 1652

An Act to amend chapters 210 and 595, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to missing and murdered African American women and girls, with penalty provisions.

Was taken up.

Senator Mosley moved that **SCS** for **SB 1652** be adopted.

Senator Mosley offered **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 1652**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 1652

An Act to amend chapters 210 and 595, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to a newly created office within the department of public safety, with penalty provisions.

Senator Mosley moved that **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 1652** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Mosley, **SS** for **SCS** for **SB 1652** was declared perfected and ordered printed.

At the request of Senator Nicola, **SB 919**, with **SCS**, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives through its Chief Clerk:

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HBs 2230** and **2978**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapters 160 and 186, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to instructional methods in schools.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS** for **HB 1840**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapter 650, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the establishment of an alert system for missing persons with developmental disabilities, with an emergency clause.

Emergency Clause Adopted.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 1623**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapters 324 and 331, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to emergency suspensions or restrictions of certain professional licenses.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 3279**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 620.580, 620.582, 620.584, 620.586, 620.588, 620.590, and 620.592, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof seven new sections relating to the Missouri community service commission.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HCS for HB 2508**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 347.186, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to limited liability companies.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 1963**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 337.600, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to social workers.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

Also,

Madam President: I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has taken up and passed **HB 1825**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 50.333, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to county salary commissions.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

On motion of Senator Luetkemeyer, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 31, 2026.

SENATE CALENDAR

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FORTY-SECOND DAY—TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026

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FORMAL CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 1658-Nurrenbern	SB 1692-Lewis
SB 1659-Nurrenbern	SB 1693-Lewis
SB 1660-Nurrenbern	SB 1694-Roberts
SB 1661-Black	SB 1695-Webber
SB 1662-May	SB 1696-Webber
SB 1663-Crawford	SB 1697-Schroer
SB 1664-Coleman	SB 1698-Schroer
SB 1665-Coleman	SB 1699-Gregory (21)
SB 1666-Coleman	SB 1700-Henderson
SB 1667-Gregory (21)	SB 1701-Nurrenbern
SB 1668-Gregory (21)	SB 1702-Nurrenbern
SB 1669-Carter	SB 1703-Carter
SB 1670-Beck	SB 1704-Gregory (15)
SB 1671-Gregory (21)	SB 1705-Lewis
SB 1672-Brown (16)	SB 1706-Lewis
SB 1673-Burger	SB 1707-McCreery
SB 1674-Burger	SB 1708-McCreery
SB 1675-Lewis	SB 1709-McCreery
SB 1676-Burger	SB 1710-McCreery
SB 1677-Schnelting	SB 1711-McCreery
SB 1678-Gregory (21)	SB 1712-McCreery
SB 1679-Gregory (21)	SB 1713-McCreery
SB 1680-McCreery	SB 1714-McCreery
SB 1681-McCreery	SB 1715-McCreery
SB 1682-McCreery	SB 1716-McCreery
SB 1683-McCreery	SB 1717-Nurrenbern
SB 1684-McCreery	SB 1718-Hudson
SB 1685-McCreery	SB 1719-Schroer
SB 1686-McCreery	SB 1720-Schroer
SB 1687-McCreery	SB 1721-Schroer
SB 1688-Gregory (15)	SB 1722-Gregory (21)
SB 1689-Gregory (15)	SB 1723-Brown (16)
SB 1690-Gregory (15)	SB 1724-Brown (16)
SB 1691-Burger	SB 1725-Beck

SB 1726-Carter	SB 1770-Brattin
SB 1727-Carter	SB 1771-Brattin
SB 1728-Carter	SB 1772-Brattin
SB 1729-Henderson	SB 1773-Gregory (21)
SB 1730-Henderson	SB 1774-Gregory (21)
SB 1731-May	SB 1775-Gregory (21)
SB 1732-Trent	SB 1776-Coleman
SB 1733-Gregory (15)	SB 1777-Coleman
SB 1734-Gregory (15)	SB 1778-Mosley
SB 1735-Washington	SB 1779-Henderson
SB 1736-Washington	SB 1780-Burger
SB 1737-Washington	SB 1781-Burger
SB 1738-Washington	SB 1782-Schnelting
SB 1739-Washington	SB 1783-Schnelting
SB 1740-Washington	SB 1784-Schnelting
SB 1741-Washington	SB 1785-Hudson
SB 1742-Lewis	SB 1786-Black
SB 1743-Lewis	SB 1787-Black
SB 1744-Lewis	SB 1788-Williams
SB 1745-Lewis	SB 1789-Bean
SB 1746-Moon	SB 1790-Bean and Trent
SB 1747-McCreery	SB 1791-Cierpiot
SB 1748-McCreery	SB 1792-Webber
SB 1749-McCreery	SB 1793-Webber
SB 1750-McCreery	SB 1794-Webber
SB 1751-Hough	SB 1795-Webber
SB 1752-Hough	SB 1796-Trent
SB 1753-Hough	SB 1797-Trent
SB 1754-Hough	SB 1798-Trent
SB 1755-Hough	SB 1799-Trent
SB 1756-Hough	SB 1800-Schroer
SB 1757-Hough	SB 1801-Schroer
SB 1758-Hough	SB 1802-Carter
SB 1759-Hough	SB 1803-Carter
SB 1760-Hough	SB 1804-Beck
SB 1761-Hough	SB 1805-Lewis
SB 1762-Hough	SB 1806-Washington
SB 1763-Hough	SB 1807-Washington
SB 1764-Hough	SB 1808-Luetkemeyer
SB 1765-Hough	SJR 118-Nurrenbern
SB 1766-Hough	SJR 119-Lewis
SB 1767-Brattin	SJR 120-Lewis
SB 1768-Brattin	SJR 121-McCreery
SB 1769-Brattin	SJR 122-Moon

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

HCS for HBs 2069 & 2208	HCS for HB 2009
HB 1812-Nolte	HCS for HB 2010
HCS for HB 3308	HCS for HB 2011
HCS for HB 3010	HCS for HB 2012
HCS for HB 2872	HCS for HB 2013
HCS for HBs 1826, 2560, 2349 & 2194	HCS for HB 1718
HCS for HBs 2642, 2296, 1966 & 1680	HCS for HB 2748
HB 1749-Miller	HCS for HBs 3231 & 2531
HCS for HB 2610	HB 2636-Owen
HCS for HB 1696	HCS for HBs 2120 & 1698
HB 1867-Roberts	HCS for HBs 2035 & 2350
HCS for HB 2742	HB 2547-Boggs
HCS for HB 2103	HCS for HB 2944
HB 2586-Casteel	HCS for HBs 2230 & 2978
HCS for HB 2002	HCS for HB 1840
HCS for HB 2003	HB 1623-Sassmann
HCS for HB 2004	HB 3279-Shields
HCS for HB 2005	HCS for HB 2508
HCS for HB 2006	HB 1963-Peters
HCS for HB 2007	HB 1825-Busick
HCS for HB 2008	

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SS for SCS for SB 1001-Schnelting (In Fiscal Oversight)	SB 1572-Henderson
SS for SCS for SB 1534-Nicola (In Fiscal Oversight)	SS for SCS for SB 905-Gregory (15)

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. SB 1065-Brown (26), with SCS     | 8. SB 996-Gregory (15)             |
| 2. SB 991-McCreery, with SCS        | 9. SB 1470-Bernskoetter            |
| 3. SB 1002-Schnelting               | 10. SBs 984 & 968-Carter, with SCS |
| 4. SBs 1653 & 1194-Trent, with SCS  | 11. SB 841-Bernskoetter, with SCS  |
| 5. SB 913-Gregory (21)              | 12. SB 1196-Henderson              |
| 6. SBs 977 & 1011-Schroer, with SCS | 13. SB 1553-Gregory (21)           |
| 7. SB 1067-Henderson                | 14. SB 1094-Crawford, with SCS     |

## HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HB 2061-Hruza (Trent)

(In Fiscal Oversight)

HCS for HB 2641 (Gregory (15))

(In Fiscal Oversight)

HB 2934-Christ (Williams)

(In Fiscal Oversight)

HB 2180-Griffith (Bernskoetter), with SCS

HB 2423-Oehlerking (Crawford)

(In Fiscal Oversight)

## INFORMAL CALENDAR

## SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 836-Crawford, with SCS

SB 838-Cierpiot, with SCS

SB 849-O'Laughlin

SB 856-Brattin and Coleman

SB 863-Bean, with SS &amp; SA 1 (pending)

SB 879-Fitzwater

SB 887-Schroer

SB 904-Gregory (15), with SS &amp; SA 1 (pending)

SB 916-Burger, with SCS

SB 917-Burger, with SS &amp; SA 1 (pending)

SB 918-Burger

SB 919-Nicola, with SCS

SB 931-Crawford

SB 948-Brattin, with SS &amp; SA 3 (pending)

SB 970-Fitzwater, with SCS &amp; SS for

SCS (pending)

SBs 971 &amp; 906-Trent, with SCS

SB 998-Hudson, with SCS

SB 999-Hudson, et al, with SS, SA 1 &amp;

SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)

SB 1003-Schnelting, with SCS, SS for SCS &amp;

SA 4 (pending)

SB 1012-Nicola, with SCS &amp; SS for

SCS (pending)

SB 1023-Brown (16), with SCS,

SS for SCS &amp; SA 2 (pending)

SB 1029-Brattin, with SCS &amp; SS#2 for

SCS (pending)

SB 1064-Brown (26)

SBs 1410 &amp; 853-Crawford, with SCS

SB 1442-Hudson, with SCS

SB 1586-Brown (26), with SCS &amp; SS for

SCS (pending)

SB 1605-Henderson, with SS (pending)

SJR 111-Hudson, with SCS

## RESOLUTIONS

SR 565-Beck

SR 566-Beck

SR 567-Beck

SR 668-Moon

## ACTIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 27

SS for SB 1 - Hough

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