

Journal of the Senate

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

FORTY-FIFTH DAY - TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

President Wasinger in the Chair.

Senator Hudson offered the following prayer:

"Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: For thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; Thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly." (Psalm 3:7)

Father God,

We need You to save us. When the enemy of our soul tempts us to make decisions based on selfish ambition, petty disputes, and filthy lucre, save us from the carnal tendencies that would go along with that temptation. Help us to see that the worst enemy we ever face is that person that looks back at us when we look into the mirror. Please forgive us of our sins, help us to look to You, and strengthen us for the work ahead.

In Jesus name I pray. Amen!

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

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

The Journal for Thursday, April 2, 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	Hough	Hudson	Lewis	Luetkemeyer	May
McCreery	Moon	Mosley	Nicola	Nurrenbern	O'Laughlin	Schnelting
Schroer	Trent	Washington	Webber	Williams—33		

Absent—Senators—None

Absent with leave—Senator Roberts—1

Vacancies—None

The Lieutenant Governor was present.

RESOLUTIONS

Senator Brown (26) offered Senate Resolution No. 870, regarding Virginia Jenkins, Villa Ridge, which was adopted.

Senator Brown (26) offered Senate Resolution No. 871, regarding Isabella Schneider, Warrenton, which was adopted.

Senator Schroer offered Senate Resolution No. 872, regarding Ruby Silbey, St. Charles, which was adopted.

Senator Henderson offered Senate Resolution No. 873, regarding Elcie Schweigert, Sainte Genevieve, which was adopted.

Senators Gregory (15) and Williams offered Senate Resolution No. 874, regarding Pastor Ed Fasnacht, Ellisville, which was adopted.

Senator Schnelting offered Senate Resolution No. 875, regarding Immanuel Lutheran St. Charles basketball team, St. Charles, which was adopted.

Senator O'Laughlin offered Senate Resolution No. 876, regarding Deon Muck, Macon, which was adopted.

Senator Crawford offered Senate Resolution No. 877, regarding Alyssa Hermanson, Hughesville, which was adopted.

Senator Crawford offered Senate Resolution No. 878, regarding Helen Crowder, Deepwater, which was adopted.

Senator Webber offered Senate Resolution No. 879, regarding Bailey Moore, Columbia, which was adopted.

Senator Coleman offered Senate Resolution No. 880, regarding Chase Lowry, Fenton, which was adopted.

Senator Coleman offered Senate Resolution No. 881, regarding Myra Burger, Fenton, which was adopted.

Senator Coleman offered Senate Resolution No. 882, regarding MaKayla Morris, Eureka, which was adopted.

Senator Coleman offered Senate Resolution No. 883, regarding Sabrina Sachs, Fenton, which was adopted.

Senator Crawford offered Senate Resolution No. 884, regarding Abigayle Roark, Cole Camp, which was adopted.

Senators Henderson and Bernskoetter offered Senate Resolution No. 885, regarding Ameren Missouri, which was adopted.

President Pro Tem O'Laughlin assumed the Chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Senator Bernskoetter, Chair of the Committee on Fiscal Oversight, submitted the following report:

Madam President: Your Committee on Fiscal Oversight, to which was referred **HB 2061**, 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 **HCS for HJR 173 and 174**, begs leave to report that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate Committee Substitute, hereto attached, do pass.

REFERRALS

President Pro Tem O'Laughlin referred **SCR 23** to the Committee on Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions, and Ehtics.

President Pro Tem O'Laughlin referred **HCS for HJR 173 and 174**, with **SCS**, to the Committee on Fiscal Oversight.

Senator Burger assumed the Chair.

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

Senator Fitzwater moved that **SB 879** be called from the Informal Calendar and taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

Senator Fitzwater offered **SS** for **SB 879**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 879

An Act to repeal sections 137.100, 153.030, 153.034, and 523.010, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eight new sections relating to electric utilities, with an emergency clause for a certain section.

Senator Fitzwater moved that **SS** for **SB 879** be adopted.

Senator Gregroy (21) assumed the Chair.

At the request of Senator Fitzwater, **SB 879**, with **SS** (pending), was placed on the Informal Calendar.

Senator Bean moved that **SB 863**, with **SS** and **SA 1** (pending), be called from the Informal Calendar and again taken up for perfection, which motion prevailed.

At the request of Senator Bean, **SS** for **SB 863** was withdrawn, rendering **SA 1** moot.

Senator Bean offered **SS No. 2** for **SB 863**, entitled:

SENATE SUBSTITUTE NO. 2 FOR SENATE BILL NO. 863

An Act to amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to statewide activities associations.

Senator Bean moved that **SS No. 2** for **SB 863** be adopted, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Bean, **SS No. 2** for **SB 863** was declared perfected and ordered printed.

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 1855**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 192.020, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to disease surveillance.

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 2355**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a MO HealthNet waiver for nutrition services.

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 1717** and **1643**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 191.480, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof ten new sections relating to alternative therapies.

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 2372**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 96.192, 96.196, 167.627, 167.630, 190.050, 190.051, 190.052, 190.070, 190.090, 190.098, 190.246, 191.1146, 192.020, 195.417, 196.990, 198.022, 206.110, 208.662, 301.142, 321.621, 324.009, 332.081, 334.108, 335.081, 338.010, 338.012, 338.333, 338.710, 345.050, 376.1000, 376.1012, 376.1017, 579.060, and 632.305, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof sixty-nine new sections relating to health care, 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 2408**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 161.412, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to grants to deaf-blind individuals and families.

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 3113**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 161.506, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to drug abuse.

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 3000**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 29.230, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to audits of political subdivisions.

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 2898**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 140.010, 140.190, 140.250, 140.420, 140.980, 140.981, 140.982, 140.983, 140.984, 140.985, 140.986, 140.987, 140.988, 140.991, 140.994, 140.995, 140.1000, 140.1009, 140.1012, 141.220, 141.230, 141.250, 141.270, 141.290, 141.300, 141.320, 141.330, 141.360, 141.410, 141.440, 141.500, 141.520, 141.535, 141.540, 141.550, 141.560, 141.570, 141.580, 141.610, 141.620, 141.680, 141.700, 141.819, 141.980, 141.984, 141.1009, 141.1020, and 249.255, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof forty-eight new sections relating to unpaid taxes and fees.

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 1740**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 302.304, 302.440, 302.525, 302.574, and 577.010, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to driving while intoxicated, 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 2760**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapter 1, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to houses of worship.

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 2366** and **2511**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 285.530, 285.535, 285.543, and 285.550, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to employment, 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 1885**, entitled:

An Act to repeal section 644.021, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the clean water commission of the state of Missouri.

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 2658**, **2147**, **2472**, and **2546**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 407.1095, 407.1098, 407.1101, and 407.1104, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to electronic communications, 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 **HCS** for **HB 1871**, entitled:

An Act to repeal sections 108.240, 115.125, 115.127, 115.233, 115.277, 115.284, 115.306, 115.427, 115.430, 115.453, and 115.646, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twelve new sections relating to elections, 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 2409**, entitled:

An Act to amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to tax credits for child care.

In which the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested.

Read 1st time.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Senator Trent introduced to the Senate, 10 social work students from Evangel University, Springfield.

Senator Williams introduced to the Senate, The Devon Alexander Foundation founder, Devon Alexander; executive director, Cesily Alexander; Tammy Ross; and Mike McColluin; and Boys 2 MenTORRs, Bryan L. Moore; and Korey Johnson Foundation founder ,Korey Johnson.

Senator Cierpiot introduced to the Senate, his wife, Connie Cierpiot; Chris Flehart; and Larry Kirkpatrick.

On motion of Senator Luetkemeyer, the Senate adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 8, 2026.

SENATE CALENDAR

FORTY-SIXTH DAY—WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026

FORMAL CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 1660-Nurrenbern	SB 1705-Lewis
SB 1661-Black	SB 1706-Lewis
SB 1662-May	SB 1707-McCreery
SB 1663-Crawford	SB 1708-McCreery
SB 1664-Coleman	SB 1709-McCreery
SB 1665-Coleman	SB 1710-McCreery
SB 1666-Coleman	SB 1711-McCreery
SB 1667-Gregory (21)	SB 1712-McCreery
SB 1668-Gregory (21)	SB 1713-McCreery
SB 1669-Carter	SB 1714-McCreery
SB 1670-Beck	SB 1715-McCreery
SB 1671-Gregory (21)	SB 1716-McCreery
SB 1672-Brown (16)	SB 1717-Nurrenbern
SB 1673-Burger	SB 1718-Hudson
SB 1674-Burger	SB 1719-Schroer
SB 1675-Lewis	SB 1720-Schroer
SB 1676-Burger	SB 1721-Schroer
SB 1677-Schnelting	SB 1722-Gregory (21)
SB 1678-Gregory (21)	SB 1723-Brown (16)
SB 1679-Gregory (21)	SB 1724-Brown (16)
SB 1680-McCreery	SB 1725-Beck
SB 1681-McCreery	SB 1726-Carter
SB 1682-McCreery	SB 1727-Carter
SB 1683-McCreery	SB 1728-Carter
SB 1684-McCreery	SB 1729-Henderson
SB 1685-McCreery	SB 1730-Henderson
SB 1686-McCreery	SB 1731-May
SB 1687-McCreery	SB 1732-Trent
SB 1688-Gregory (15)	SB 1733-Gregory (15)
SB 1689-Gregory (15)	SB 1734-Gregory (15)
SB 1690-Gregory (15)	SB 1735-Washington
SB 1691-Burger	SB 1736-Washington
SB 1692-Lewis	SB 1737-Washington
SB 1693-Lewis	SB 1738-Washington
SB 1694-Roberts	SB 1739-Washington
SB 1695-Webber	SB 1740-Washington
SB 1696-Webber	SB 1741-Washington
SB 1697-Schroer	SB 1742-Lewis
SB 1698-Schroer	SB 1743-Lewis
SB 1699-Gregory (21)	SB 1744-Lewis
SB 1700-Henderson	SB 1745-Lewis
SB 1701-Nurrenbern	SB 1746-Moon
SB 1702-Nurrenbern	SB 1747-McCreery
SB 1703-Carter	SB 1748-McCreery
SB 1704-Gregory (15)	SB 1749-McCreery

SB 1750-McCreery	SB 1782-Schnelting
SB 1751-Hough	SB 1783-Schnelting
SB 1752-Hough	SB 1784-Schnelting
SB 1753-Hough	SB 1785-Hudson
SB 1754-Hough	SB 1786-Black
SB 1755-Hough	SB 1787-Black
SB 1756-Hough	SB 1788-Williams
SB 1757-Hough	SB 1789-Bean
SB 1758-Hough	SB 1790-Bean and Trent
SB 1759-Hough	SB 1791-Cierpiot
SB 1760-Hough	SB 1792-Webber
SB 1761-Hough	SB 1793-Webber
SB 1762-Hough	SB 1794-Webber
SB 1763-Hough	SB 1795-Webber
SB 1764-Hough	SB 1796-Trent
SB 1765-Hough	SB 1797-Trent
SB 1766-Hough	SB 1798-Trent
SB 1767-Brattin	SB 1799-Trent
SB 1768-Brattin	SB 1800-Schroer
SB 1769-Brattin	SB 1801-Schroer
SB 1770-Brattin	SB 1802-Carter
SB 1771-Brattin	SB 1803-Carter
SB 1772-Brattin	SB 1804-Beck
SB 1773-Gregory (21)	SB 1805-Lewis
SB 1774-Gregory (21)	SB 1806-Washington
SB 1775-Gregory (21)	SB 1807-Washington
SB 1776-Coleman	SB 1808-Luetkemeyer
SB 1777-Coleman	SJR 118-Nurrenbern
SB 1778-Mosley	SJR 119-Lewis
SB 1779-Henderson	SJR 120-Lewis
SB 1780-Burger	SJR 121-McCreery
SB 1781-Burger	SJR 122-Moon

HOUSE BILLS ON SECOND READING

HB 2636-Owen	HB 3279-Shields
HCS for HBs 2120 & 1698	HCS for HB 2508
HCS for HBs 2035 & 2350	HB 1963-Peters
HB 2547-Boggs	HB 1825-Busick
HCS for HB 2944	HCS for HB 2017
HCS for HBs 2230 & 2978	HCS for HB 2018
HCS for HB 1840	HCS for HB 2019
HB 1623-Sassmann	HCS for HB 2020

HB 1919-McGill
 HCS for HBs 1768 & 2060
 HCS for HB 1855
 HCS for HB 2355
 HCS for HBs 1717 & 1643
 HCS for HB 2372
 HB 2408-Shields
 HCS for HB 3113
 HB 3000-Perkins

HB 2898-Owen
 HB 1740-Griffith
 HB 2760-Pouche
 HCS for HBs 2366 & 2511
 HB 1885-Van Schoiack
 HCS for HBs 2658, 2147, 2472 & 2546
 HCS for HB 1871
 HB 2409-Shields

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SS for SCS for SB 1534-Nicola
 (In Fiscal Oversight)
 SS for SB 1553-Gregory (21)
 (In Fiscal Oversight)

SS for SB 1196-Henderson,
 with Emergency Clause (In Fiscal Oversight)

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 1085-Nicola, with SCS

HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

HB 2061-Hruza (Trent)
 HB 2180-Griffith (Bernskoetter), with SCS
 (In Fiscal Oversight)

HCS for HJR 173 & 174, with SCS
 (In Fiscal Oversight)

INFORMAL CALENDAR

SENATE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

SB 836-Crawford, with SCS
 SB 838-Cierpiot, with SCS
 SB 841-Bernskoetter, with SCS
 SB 849-O'Laughlin
 SB 856-Brattin and Coleman
 SB 879-Fitzwater, with SS (pending)
 SB 887-Schroer
 SB 904-Gregory (15), with SS & SA 2 (pending)
 SB 916-Burger, with SCS

SB 917-Burger, with SS & SA 1 (pending)
 SB 918-Burger
 SB 919-Nicola, with SCS
 SB 931-Crawford
 SB 948-Brattin, with SS & SA 3 (pending)
 SB 970-Fitzwater, with SCS & SS for SCS
 (pending)
 SBs 971 & 906-Trent, with SCS
 SBs 984 & 968-Carter, with SCS

SB 996-Gregory (15)	SB 1065-Brown (26), with SCS
SB 998-Hudson, with SCS	SB 1094-Crawford, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 2 (pending)
SB 999-Hudson, et al, with SS, SA 1 & SA 1 to SA 1 (pending)	SBs 1410 & 853-Crawford, with SCS
SB 1003-Schnelting, with SCS, SS for SCS & SA 4 (pending)	SB 1442-Hudson, with SCS & SS for SCS (pending)
SB 1012-Nicola, with SCS & SS for SCS (pending)	SB 1586-Brown (26), with SCS & SS for SCS (pending)
SB 1029-Brattin, with SCS & SS#2 for SCS (pending)	SB 1605-Henderson, with SS (pending)
SB 1064-Brown (26)	SBs 1653 & 1194-Trent, with SCS
	SJR 111-Hudson, with SCS

RESOLUTIONS

SR 565-Beck	SR 567-Beck
SR 566-Beck	SR 668-Moon

ACTIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 27

SS for SB 1 - Hough

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