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FORTY-NINTH DAY, MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Patterson in the Chair.

Prayer by Representative Brian Seitz.

Father, thank You for Your kindness towards us and the care by which You guide Your people.

The Psalmist declared, "O Taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusts in him."

Father, help us by Your Holy Spirit to trust in You, as we make decisions for the people of Missouri. Cause us to revel in Your glory, and not rob You by attempting to bask in our own.

Be with us today and throughout the week.

In Jesus's name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The Speaker appointed the following to act as Honorary Pages for the Day, to serve without compensation: ZuZu Bryant, LuLu Bryant, Sam Zimmermann, Ben Zimmermann and Tyler Zimmermann.

The Journal of the forty-eighth day was approved as printed by the following vote:

AYES: 139

Allen	Amato	Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune
Baker	Banderman	Barnes	Billington	Black
Boykin	Boyko	Bromley	Brown 16	Bush
Busick	Butz	Casteel	Caton	Chappell
Christ	Christensen	Collins	Cook	Costlow
Crossley	Davidson	Davis	Dean	Deaton
Diehl	Dolan	Doll	Douglas	Durnell
Ealy	Elliott	Falkner	Farnan	Fogle
Fowler	Fuchs	Gallick	Gragg	Griffith
Haden	Hales	Haley	Harbison	Hausman
Hein	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza
Hurlbert	Irwin	Jacobs	Jobe	Johnson
Jones 12	Jones 88	Jordan	Justus	Kalberloh
Kelley	Kimble	Knight	Laubinger	Lewis

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Loy	Lucas	Mackey	Mansur	Martin
Mayhew	McGaugh	McGill	Meirath	Miller
Murray	Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking	Overcast
Owen	Parker	Perkins	Peters	Phelps
Pollitt	Pouche	Price	Proudie	Reed
Reedy	Riggs	Riley	Roberts	Rush
Sassmann	Schulte	Seitz	Self	Sharpe 4
Shields	Simmons	Smith 46	Smith 68	Smith 74
Sparks	Steinhoff	Steinmetz	Steinmeyer	Stinnett
Strickler	Taylor 48	Taylor 84	Terry	Thomas
Van Schoiack	Verneti	Violet	Voss	Waller
Walsh Moore	Warwick	Weber	Wellenkamp	West
Whaley	Williams	Wilson	Wolfin	Woods
Wright	Young	Zimmermann	Mr. Speaker	

NOES: 001

Ingle

PRESENT: 003

Fountain Henderson	Keathley	Sharp 37
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ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 019

Boggs	Bosley	Brown 149	Burton	Byrnes
Clemens	Coleman	Cupps	Hardwick	Jamison
Matthiesen	Mosley	Murphy	Plank	Reuter
Schmidt	Thompson	Titus	Veit	

VACANCIES: 001

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HCS HB 572, relating to transportation, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HCS HBs 1363, 1062 & 1254, relating to charter school use of property, was taken up by Representative Hruza.

On motion of Representative Hruza, **HCS HBs 1363, 1062 & 1254** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 107

Allen	Amato	Baker	Banderman	Billington
Black	Boggs	Bromley	Brown 16	Busick
Butz	Byrnes	Casteel	Caton	Chappell
Christ	Cook	Costlow	Cupps	Davidson
Davis	Dean	Deaton	Diehl	Dolan
Falkner	Farnan	Fowler	Gallick	Gragg
Griffith	Haden	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick
Hausman	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza
Hurlbert	Irwin	Jamison	Jones 12	Jones 88
Jordan	Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley
Knight	Laubinger	Lewis	Lucas	Mackey
Martin	Matthiesen	Mayhew	McGaugh	McGill
Meirath	Miller	Murphy	Myers	Oehlerking

Overcast	Owen	Parker	Perkins	Peters
Phelps	Pollitt	Pouche	Price	Reedy
Reuter	Riley	Roberts	Sassmann	Schmidt
Schulte	Seitz	Self	Sharpe 4	Shields
Simmons	Sparks	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Taylor 48
Terry	Thompson	Titus	Van Schoiack	Veit
Verneti	Violet	Voss	Waller	Warwick
Wellenkamp	West	Whaley	Williams	Wilson
Wright	Mr. Speaker			

NOES: 040

Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune	Boykin	Boyko
Bush	Christensen	Clemens	Collins	Doll
Douglas	Durnell	Elliott	Fogle	Fountain Henderson
Fuchs	Hales	Hein	Ingle	Jacobs
Jobe	Johnson	Mansur	Murray	Nolte
Proudie	Reed	Rush	Sharp 37	Smith 46
Smith 68	Smith 74	Steinmetz	Strickler	Taylor 84
Thomas	Walsh Moore	Wolfen	Young	Zimmermann

PRESENT: 007

Barnes	Crossley	Ealy	Kimble	Steinhoff
Weber	Woods			

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 008

Bosley	Brown 149	Burton	Coleman	Loy
Mosley	Plank	Riggs		

VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

HB 1049, relating to financial institutions, was taken up by Representative Owen.

On motion of Representative Owen, **HB 1049** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 155

Allen	Amato	Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune
Baker	Banderman	Barnes	Billington	Black
Boggs	Boykin	Boyko	Brown 16	Bush
Busick	Butz	Byrnes	Casteel	Caton
Chappell	Christ	Christensen	Clemens	Collins
Cook	Costlow	Crossley	Cupps	Davidson
Davis	Dean	Deaton	Diehl	Dolan
Doll	Douglas	Durnell	Ealy	Elliott
Falkner	Farnan	Fogle	Fountain Henderson	Fowler
Fuchs	Gallick	Gragg	Griffith	Haden
Hales	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick	Hausman
Hein	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza
Hurlbert	Ingle	Irwin	Jacobs	Jamison
Jobe	Johnson	Jones 12	Jones 88	Jordan

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Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley	Kimble
Knight	Laubinger	Lewis	Loy	Lucas
Mackey	Mansur	Martin	Matthiesen	Mayhew
McGaugh	McGill	Meirath	Miller	Murphy
Murray	Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking	Overcast
Owen	Parker	Perkins	Peters	Phelps
Pollitt	Pouche	Price	Proudie	Reed
Reedy	Reuter	Riggs	Riley	Roberts
Rush	Sassmann	Schmidt	Schulte	Seitz
Self	Sharp 37	Sharpe 4	Shields	Simmons
Smith 46	Smith 68	Smith 74	Sparks	Steinhoff
Steinmetz	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Strickler	Taylor 48
Taylor 84	Terry	Thomas	Thompson	Titus
Van Schoiack	Veit	Verneti	Violet	Voss
Waller	Walsh Moore	Warwick	Weber	Wellenkamp
West	Whaley	Williams	Wilson	Wolfen
Woods	Wright	Young	Zimmermann	Mr. Speaker

NOES: 000

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 007

Bosley	Bromley	Brown 149	Burton	Coleman
Mosley	Plank			

VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

HCS HB 507, relating to elections, was taken up by Representative McGaugh.

On motion of Representative McGaugh, **HCS HB 507** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 101

Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune	Banderman	Barnes
Black	Boykin	Boyko	Bromley	Brown 16
Bush	Busick	Butz	Byrnes	Caton
Christ	Clemens	Collins	Crossley	Dean
Diehl	Dolan	Doll	Douglas	Ealy
Falkner	Farnan	Fogle	Fountain Henderson	Fuchs
Gallick	Griffith	Haden	Hales	Haley
Harbison	Hein	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis
Hurlbert	Ingle	Irwin	Jacobs	Jamison
Jobe	Johnson	Kalberloh	Kimble	Knight
Lewis	Lucas	Mackey	Mansur	Matthiesen
Mayhew	McGaugh	Murray	Nolte	Owen
Parker	Perkins	Peters	Phelps	Pouche
Price	Proudie	Reed	Reedy	Riggs
Riley	Roberts	Rush	Sassmann	Sharp 37
Sharpe 4	Shields	Smith 46	Smith 68	Smith 74
Steinhoff	Steinmetz	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Strickler
Taylor 84	Terry	Thomas	Thompson	Van Schoiack

Veit	Voss	Waller	Walsh Moore	Weber
Wellenkamp	Williams	Woods	Young	Zimmermann
Mr. Speaker				

NOES: 054

Allen	Baker	Billington	Boggs	Casteel
Chappell	Christensen	Cook	Costlow	Cupps
Davidson	Davis	Deaton	Durnell	Elliott
Fowler	Gragg	Hardwick	Hausman	Hruza
Jones 12	Jones 88	Jordan	Justus	Keathley
Kelley	Laubinger	Loy	Martin	McGill
Meirath	Miller	Murphy	Myers	Oehlerking
Overcast	Pollitt	Reuter	Schmidt	Schulte
Seitz	Self	Simmons	Sparks	Taylor 48
Titus	Verneti	Violet	Warwick	West
Whaley	Wilson	Wolfen	Wright	

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 007

Amato	Bosley	Brown 149	Burton	Coleman
Mosley	Plank			

VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS - INFORMAL

HCS HBs 493 & 635, relating to a sales tax exemption, was taken up by Representative Van Schoiack.

On motion of Representative Van Schoiack, **HCS HBs 493 & 635** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 104

Allen	Amato	Baker	Banderman	Billington
Black	Boggs	Bromley	Busick	Byrnes
Casteel	Caton	Chappell	Christ	Christensen
Cook	Costlow	Cupps	Davidson	Davis
Deaton	Diehl	Dolan	Durnell	Elliott
Falkner	Farnan	Fowler	Gallick	Gragg
Griffith	Haden	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick
Hausman	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza
Hurlbert	Irwin	Jones 12	Jones 88	Justus
Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley	Laubinger	Lewis
Loy	Lucas	Martin	Matthiesen	Mayhew
McGaugh	McGill	Meirath	Miller	Murphy
Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking	Overcast	Owen
Parker	Perkins	Peters	Phelps	Pollitt
Pouche	Reedy	Reuter	Riggs	Riley

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Roberts	Sassmann	Schmidt	Schulte	Seitz
Self	Sharpe 4	Shields	Simmons	Smith 46
Sparks	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Taylor 48	Thompson
Titus	Veit	Verneti	Violet	Voss
Waller	Warwick	Wellenkamp	West	Whaley
Williams	Wilson	Wright	Mr. Speaker	

NOES: 041

Appelbaum	Aune	Barnes	Boykin	Boyko
Bush	Butz	Clemens	Collins	Crossley
Dean	Doll	Douglas	Fogle	Fountain Henderson
Fuchs	Hales	Hein	Jacobs	Jamison
Johnson	Jordan	Kimble	Mackey	Mansur
Murray	Price	Reed	Smith 68	Smith 74
Steinhoff	Steinmetz	Strickler	Taylor 84	Terry
Walsh Moore	Weber	Wolfen	Woods	Young
Zimmermann				

PRESENT: 010

Anderson	Ealy	Ingle	Jobe	Knight
Proudie	Rush	Sharp 37	Thomas	Van Schoiack

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 007

Bosley	Brown 149	Brown 16	Burton	Coleman
Mosley	Plank			

VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

HB 183, relating to higher education core curricula, was taken up by Representative Parker.

On motion of Representative Parker, **HB 183** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 153

Allen	Amato	Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune
Baker	Banderman	Barnes	Billington	Black
Boggs	Boykin	Boyko	Bromley	Brown 16
Bush	Busick	Butz	Byrnes	Casteel
Caton	Chappell	Christ	Christensen	Clemens
Collins	Cook	Costlow	Crossley	Cupps
Davidson	Davis	Dean	Deaton	Diehl
Dolan	Doll	Douglas	Durnell	Ealy
Elliott	Falkner	Farnan	Fogle	Fountain Henderson
Fowler	Gallick	Gragg	Griffith	Haden
Hales	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick	Hausman
Hein	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza
Hurlbert	Ingle	Irwin	Jacobs	Jamison
Jobe	Johnson	Jones 12	Jones 88	Jordan
Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley	Kimble

Knight	Laubinger	Lewis	Loy	Lucas
Mackey	Mansur	Matthiesen	Mayhew	McGaugh
McGill	Meirath	Miller	Mosley	Murphy
Murray	Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking	Overcast
Owen	Parker	Perkins	Peters	Phelps
Pollitt	Pouche	Price	Reed	Reedy
Reuter	Riggs	Riley	Roberts	Rush
Sassmann	Schmidt	Schulte	Seitz	Self
Sharp 37	Sharpe 4	Shields	Simmons	Smith 46
Smith 68	Smith 74	Sparks	Steinmetz	Steinmeyer
Stinnett	Strickler	Taylor 48	Taylor 84	Terry
Thomas	Thompson	Titus	Van Schoiack	Veit
Verneti	Violet	Voss	Waller	Walsh Moore
Warwick	Weber	Wellenkamp	West	Whaley
Williams	Wilson	Wolfen	Woods	Wright
Young	Zimmermann	Mr. Speaker		

NOES: 002

Martin Steinhoff

PRESENT: 001

Fuchs

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 006

Bosley	Brown 149	Burton	Coleman	Plank
Proudie				

VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

HB 478, relating to professional licensing, was taken up by Representative Oehlerking.

On motion of Representative Oehlerking, **HB 478** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 105

Allen	Amato	Baker	Banderman	Billington
Black	Boggs	Bromley	Brown 16	Busick
Byrnes	Casteel	Caton	Chappell	Christ
Cook	Costlow	Cupps	Davidson	Davis
Deaton	Diehl	Dolan	Douglas	Ealy
Falkner	Farnan	Fowler	Gallick	Gragg
Griffith	Haden	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick
Hausman	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza
Hurlbert	Irwin	Jamison	Jones 12	Jones 88
Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley	Knight
Laubinger	Lewis	Loy	Lucas	Martin
Matthiesen	McGaugh	McGill	Meirath	Miller
Murphy	Murray	Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking
Overcast	Owen	Parker	Perkins	Peters

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Phelps	Pollitt	Pouche	Reedy	Reuter
Riggs	Riley	Roberts	Rush	Sassmann
Schmidt	Schulte	Seitz	Sharpe 4	Shields
Simmons	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Taylor 48	Terry
Thompson	Titus	Van Schoiack	Veit	Vernetti
Violet	Voss	Waller	Warwick	Wellenkamp
West	Williams	Wilson	Wright	Mr. Speaker

NOES: 046

Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune	Barnes	Bush
Butz	Christensen	Clemens	Collins	Crossley
Doll	Durnell	Elliott	Fogle	Fountain Henderson
Fuchs	Hales	Ingle	Jacobs	Jobe
Johnson	Jordan	Kimble	Mackey	Mayhew
Mosley	Price	Proudie	Reed	Self
Sharp 37	Smith 46	Smith 68	Smith 74	Sparks
Steinhoff	Strickler	Taylor 84	Thomas	Walsh Moore
Weber	Whaley	Wolfen	Woods	Young
Zimmermann				

PRESENT: 006

Boykin	Boyko	Dean	Hein	Mansur
Steinmetz				

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 005

Bosley	Brown 149	Burton	Coleman	Plank
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VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

HB 262, relating to alternative therapies for veterans, was taken up by Representative Brown (16).

On motion of Representative Brown (16), **HB 262** was read the third time and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 156

Allen	Amato	Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune
Baker	Banderman	Barnes	Billington	Black
Boggs	Boykin	Boyko	Bromley	Brown 16
Bush	Busick	Butz	Byrnes	Casteel
Caton	Chappell	Christ	Christensen	Clemens
Collins	Cook	Costlow	Crossley	Cupps
Davidson	Davis	Dean	Deaton	Diehl
Dolan	Doll	Douglas	Durnell	Ealy
Elliott	Falkner	Farnan	Fogle	Fountain Henderson
Fowler	Fuchs	Gallick	Gragg	Griffith
Haden	Hales	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick
Hausman	Hein	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis
Hruza	Hurlbert	Ingle	Irwin	Jacobs
Jamison	Jobe	Johnson	Jones 12	Jones 88

Jordan	Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley
Kimble	Knight	Laubinger	Lewis	Loy
Lucas	Mackey	Mansur	Martin	Matthiesen
Mayhew	McGaugh	McGill	Meirath	Miller
Mosley	Murphy	Murray	Myers	Nolte
Oehlerking	Overcast	Owen	Parker	Perkins
Peters	Phelps	Pollitt	Pouche	Price
Proudie	Reed	Reedy	Reuter	Riggs
Riley	Roberts	Rush	Sassmann	Schmidt
Schulte	Seitz	Self	Sharp 37	Sharpe 4
Shields	Simmons	Smith 46	Smith 68	Smith 74
Sparks	Steinhoff	Steinmetz	Steinmeyer	Stinnett
Strickler	Taylor 48	Taylor 84	Terry	Thomas
Thompson	Titus	Van Schoiack	Veit	Vernetti
Violet	Voss	Waller	Walsh Moore	Warwick
Weber	Wellenkamp	West	Whaley	Williams
Wilson	Woods	Wright	Young	Zimmermann
Mr. Speaker				

NOES: 001

Wolfin

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 005

Bosley	Brown 149	Burton	Coleman	Plank
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VACANCIES: 001

Speaker Patterson declared the bill passed.

Speaker Pro Tem Perkins assumed the Chair.

PERFECTION OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 1200, HCS HBs 735 & 686, HB 1193, HB 74, HB 499, HB 1298, HB 1041, HB 56, HB 199, HCS HB 716, HB 366, HCS HB 839 and HCS HB 315 were placed on the Informal Calendar.

HCS HB 937, relating to protections against discrimination in educational settings, was taken up by Representative Hruza.

On motion of Representative Hruza, the title of **HCS HB 937** was agreed to.

Representative Proudie offered **House Amendment No. 1**.

House Amendment No. 1

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 937, Page 3, Section 160.015, Line 53, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"160.082. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair (Missouri CROWN) Act".

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

(1) "Educational institution", any public or private prekindergarten program, public or private elementary or secondary school, or public or private school board or other school administrative body;

(2) "Protective hairstyles", includes, but is not limited to, such hairstyles and coverings that are designed to protect textured hair from damage so it may be worn in its natural state as braids, locks, twists, and afros;

(3) "Race", includes a perception that a person is of a particular racial group based upon shared physical traits associated with ancestral origin or ethnicity, shared cultural attributes, and similar physical characteristics such as skin color and facial features;

(4) "State financial assistance", any funds or other form of financial aid appropriated or authorized under the laws of this state, or under any federal law administered by any state agency, for the purpose of providing assistance to any educational institution for its own benefit or for the benefit of any pupils admitted to the educational institution. "State financial assistance" shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

(a) Grants of state property, or any interest therein;

(b) Provision of the services of state personnel; and

(c) Funds provided by contract, tax rebate, appropriation, allocation, or formula;

(5) "State student financial aid", any funds or other form of financial aid appropriated or authorized under the laws of this state, or under any federal law administered by any state agency, for the purpose of providing assistance directly to any student admitted to an educational institution. "State student financial aid" shall include, but not be limited to, scholarships, loans, grants, or wages.

3. No person shall be subjected to discrimination based on the person's hair texture or protective hairstyle, if that protective hairstyle or texture is commonly associated with a particular race or origin, in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution that receives or benefits from state financial assistance or enrolls pupils who receive state student financial aid; provided, however, that such institution may require the use of hair nets or coverings or may require that hair be secured for safety purposes in any career and technical training course or class to comply with safety regulations and standards of the course or class throughout the duration of the course or class.

4. The provisions of subsection 3 of this section shall not apply to an educational institution that is controlled by a religious organization if the application of such provision would not be consistent with the religious tenets of that organization."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative Proudie, **House Amendment No. 1** was adopted.

Representative Chappell raised a point of order that a member was in violation of Rule 89.

The Chair reminded members to avoid the use of profanity.

Representative Riley moved the previous question.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 096

Allen	Amato	Baker	Banderman	Billington
Black	Bromley	Busick	Byrnes	Casteel
Caton	Chappell	Christ	Christensen	Cook
Costlow	Davidson	Davis	Diehl	Dolan
Durnell	Elliott	Falkner	Farnan	Fowler
Gallick	Gragg	Griffith	Haden	Haley

Harbison	Hardwick	Hausman	Hewkin	Hinman
Hovis	Hruza	Hurlbert	Irwin	Jones 12
Jones 88	Jordan	Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley
Kelley	Laubinger	Lewis	Loy	Lucas
Martin	Matthiesen	McGaugh	McGill	Meirath
Miller	Murphy	Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking
Overcast	Owen	Parker	Perkins	Peters
Phelps	Pollitt	Pouche	Reedy	Riley
Roberts	Sassmann	Schmidt	Schulte	Seitz
Self	Shields	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Taylor 48
Titus	Van Schoiack	Veit	Verneti	Violet
Voss	Waller	Warwick	Wellenkamp	West
Whaley	Williams	Wilson	Wolfen	Wright
Mr. Speaker				

NOES: 044

Anderson	Appelbaum	Aune	Barnes	Boykin
Bush	Butz	Crossley	Dean	Doll
Douglas	Ealy	Fogle	Fountain Henderson	Fuchs
Hales	Hein	Ingle	Jacobs	Jamison
Jobe	Johnson	Kimble	Mackey	Mansur
Mosley	Murray	Price	Reed	Rush
Sharp 37	Smith 46	Smith 68	Smith 74	Steinhoff
Steinmetz	Strickler	Taylor 84	Terry	Thomas
Walsh Moore	Weber	Woods	Young	

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 022

Boggs	Bosley	Boyko	Brown 149	Brown 16
Burton	Clemens	Coleman	Collins	Cupps
Deaton	Knight	Mayhew	Plank	Proudie
Reuter	Riggs	Sharpe 4	Simmons	Sparks
Thompson	Zimmermann			

VACANCIES: 001

On motion of Representative Hruza, **HCS HB 937, as amended**, was adopted.

On motion of Representative Hruza, **HCS HB 937, as amended**, was ordered perfected and printed.

HCS HB 927, relating to fathership, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HB 837, relating to state funds for regional planning commissions, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HCS HB 835, relating to an in-home licensed day care, was taken up by Representative Farnan.

On motion of Representative Farnan, the title of **HCS HB 835** was agreed to.

On motion of Representative Farnan, **HCS HB 835** was adopted.

On motion of Representative Farnan, **HCS HB 835** was ordered perfected and printed.

HB 757, relating to commercial activity, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HB 205, relating to the firefighters' retirement systems for certain cities, was placed on the Informal Calendar.

HB 1218, relating to the offense of burglary in the second degree, was taken up by Representative Hinman.

On motion of Representative Hinman, the title of **HB 1218** was agreed to.

On motion of Representative Hinman, **HB 1218** was ordered perfected and printed.

PERFECTION OF HOUSE BILLS - INFORMAL

HCS HB 344, relating to tobacco products, was taken up by Representative Keathley.

On motion of Representative Keathley, the title of **HCS HB 344** was agreed to.

Representative Wilson offered **House Amendment No. 1**.

House Amendment No. 1

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 344, Page 1, Section 407.932, Lines 11-13, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"subdivisions from enforcing ordinances or regulations that set the age to sell or purchase tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, and vapor products to individuals under twenty-one years of age.";
and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative Wilson, **House Amendment No. 1** was adopted.

Representative Seitz assumed the Chair.

Speaker Pro Tem Perkins resumed the Chair.

On motion of Representative Keathley, **HCS HB 344, as amended**, was adopted.

On motion of Representative Keathley, **HCS HB 344, as amended**, was ordered perfected and printed.

HCS HB 970, relating to video lottery games, was taken up by Representative Hardwick.

Representative Hardwick moved that the title of **HCS HB 970** be agreed to.

Representative West offered **House Amendment No. 1.**

House Amendment No. 1

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 1, In the Title, Line 3, by deleting the phrase "video lottery games" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "gaming regulations"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative West, **House Amendment No. 1** was adopted.

Representative Hardwick offered **House Amendment No. 2.**

House Amendment No. 2

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 1, Section 27.180, Line 3, by deleting the phrase "**sections 313.425 to 313.437**" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "**subdivision (3) of subsection 3 of section 313.429 or other funds so appropriated**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 5, by inserting after the word "**general**" the phrase "**, prosecutors, and law enforcement**"; and

Further amend said bill, Pages 2-4, Section 313.427, Lines 1-63, by deleting all of said section and lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"313.427. As used in sections 313.425 to 313.437, the following terms shall mean:

- (1) "Adjusted gross gaming revenue", the amount of revenue generated by a video lottery game terminal that is remaining after:**
 - (a) Payments of winning to players; and**
 - (b) Deduction by the commission of that amount necessary to pay direct administrative costs for the operation of the centralized computer system, but before deduction of the adjusted gross gaming revenue tax;**
- (2) "Adjusted gross gaming revenue tax", a tax of thirty-four percent imposed on adjusted gross gaming revenue;**
- (3) "Centralized computer system", a computerized system developed or procured by the commission that video lottery game terminals are connected to using standard industry protocols that can activate or deactivate a particular video lottery game terminal from a remote location and that is capable of monitoring and auditing video lottery game plays;**
- (4) "Commission" or "lottery commission", the state lottery commission appointed by the governor to manage and oversee the lottery under section 313.215;**
- (5) "Net terminal income", the amount of adjusted gross gaming revenue remaining after deduction of the tax imposed by the commission under section 313.429;**
- (6) "Use agreement", a contract executed by and between a video lottery terminal operator and a video lottery terminal retailer approved by the commission containing minimum terms and conditions determined by the commission establishing the right of the video lottery terminal operator to place and operate video lottery terminals on the premises of a video lottery terminal retailer.**
- (7) "Video lottery game", any game approved by the commission for play on an approved video lottery game terminal;**
- (8) "Video lottery game adjusted gross receipts", the total of cash or cash equivalents, before the deduction of the tax imposed under section 313.429, used to play a video lottery game on a video lottery game terminal. "Video lottery game adjusted gross receipts" shall not include cash or cash equivalents paid to players of video lottery games on a video lottery game terminal or the amounts deducted by the commission of funds necessary to pay direct administrative costs for the operation of the centralized computer system;**

(9) "Video lottery game handler", a person who is licensed by the commission and employed by a video lottery game operator to handle, place, operate, and service video lottery game terminals and associated equipment;

(10) "Video lottery game manufacturer" or "distributor", any person licensed by the commission who:

(a) Manufactures video lottery games, video lottery game terminals, or major parts and components for video lottery game terminals as approved by the commission for sale to video lottery game operators; or

(b) Distributes or services video lottery games, video lottery game terminals, or major parts and components of video lottery game terminals, including buying, selling, leasing, renting, or financing new, used, or refurbished video lottery game terminals to and from licensed video lottery game manufacturers and licensed video lottery game operators;

(11) "Video lottery game operator", a person who is licensed by the commission and owns, rents, or leases and services or maintains video lottery game terminals for placement in licensed video lottery game retailer establishments;

(12) "Video lottery game retailer", a retail establishment that is licensed by the commission to enter into agreements with video lottery game operators for the placement of video lottery game terminals and meets the requirements of a lottery game retailer under section 313.260. No establishment with a primary purpose of providing entertainment, activities, or educational services to anyone under the age of eighteen shall be licensed as a video lottery game retailer;

(13) "Video lottery game terminal", a player-activated terminal that exchanges coins, currency, tickets, ticket vouchers, or electronic payment methods approved by the commission for credit to play video lottery games approved by the commission;

(14) "Video lottery game terminal credit", credits either purchased or won on a video lottery game terminal that may be used to play video lottery games or be converted into a video lottery game ticket;

(15) "Video lottery game ticket" or "ticket", a document printed at the conclusion of any video lottery game play or group of plays that is redeemable for cash, utilizing a video lottery game ticket redemption terminal, or that may be reinserted into a video lottery game terminal located in the video lottery game retailer from which such ticket was issued for video lottery game terminal credit;

(16) "Video lottery game ticket redemption terminal", the collective hardware, software, communications technology, and other ancillary equipment used to facilitate the payment of tickets cashed out by players as a result of playing a video lottery game terminal."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 5, Section 313.429, Line 23, by inserting after the word "**terminals**" the phrase "**and video lottery games**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 29, by inserting after the word "**terminals**" the phrase "**and video lottery games**"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 6, Lines 61-70, by deleting all of said lines; and

Further amend said bill by renumbering all subsequent subdivisions accordingly; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 7, Line 97, by inserting after the word "**be**" the phrase "**submitted when the application is filed and**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 100, by deleting the words "**two hundred**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**fifty**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 101, by deleting the word "**two**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**one**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 105, by deleting the word "**five**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**four**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 111, by deleting the words "**One hundred**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**Fifty**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 116, by inserting after the word "service" the phrase "**, and shall be deemed an administrative fee on the device itself and not on the operation or play thereof**"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 8, Line 136, by deleting the word "**written**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**use**"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Pages 8-9, Lines 144-172, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(2) A requirement that the video lottery game terminal operator is to be responsible for collection, remittance, and disbursement of gross gaming revenue tax and net terminal revenue;

(3) An affirmative statement that no inducement was offered or accepted regarding the placement or operation of video lottery game terminals at the video lottery game terminal retailer's location;

(4) An indemnity and hold harmless provision on behalf of the state, the commission, and its agents relative to any cause of action arising out of the agreement between a video lottery game operator and a video lottery game retailer;

(5) A prohibition on the assignment of the agreement from or to any person except from a video lottery game terminal operator to another video lottery game terminal operator or from a video lottery game retailer to another video lottery game retailer;

(6) A release of the video lottery game terminal retailer from any continuing contractual obligation to the video lottery game terminal operator if the video lottery game terminal operator has its license revoked or denied, has its renewal denied, or surrenders its license;

(7) A provision that the parties agree to modify the agreement to the extent necessary to comply with a change in Missouri law or commission rules; and

(8) Provisions approved by the commission.

5. No video game lottery retailer shall enter into an use agreement with more than one video lottery game operator at any time. Only upon termination of an use agreement with a video lottery game operator may a video lottery game retailer enter into a new use agreement with a different video lottery game operator."; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 9, Line 178, by deleting the phrase "**property tax**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Lines 183-188, by deleting all of said lines; and

Further amend said bill and section, Pages 9-14, Lines 189-365, by renumbering all subsequent subsections accordingly; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 193, by inserting after the word "**distributors**" the phrase "**and video gaming operators**"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 10, Line 208, by deleting the word "**, operators**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 226, by inserting after the word "**an**" the word "**use**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 234, by inserting after the word "**retailer**" the phrase "**, except as approved by the commission**"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 11, Lines 239-242, by deleting all of said lines; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 251, by deleting the phrase "**or a video lottery game retailer**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 253, by deleting the phrase "**or a video lottery game retailer**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 269, by deleting the word "**twelve**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**eight**"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 12, Line 280, by inserting after the word "**conferences**" the phrase "**, and video lottery game terminal operators may advertise, promote, and market to players of video gaming terminals through player rewards programs approved by the commission**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 286, by deleting the word "**retailers**" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "**operators**"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 291, by inserting after the word "**commission.**" the following:

"Video footage taken by the video surveillance system shall:

- (a) Be deleted and expunged after the thirty day period described in this subdivision; and**
- (b) Not make use of any facial recognition technology or software."; and**

Further amend said bill and section, Pages 12-13, Lines 301-333, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(4) A video lottery game operator shall post a sign in a conspicuous location where such video lottery game terminals are located containing, in red lettering at least one-half inch high on a white background, a telephone contact number (1-888-BETSOFF) for the problem gambling helpline.

(5) Pursuant to rules adopted by the commission, a video lottery game operator shall be responsible for:

- (a) Payments to winning players;**
- (b) Collecting all funds from video lottery game terminals;**
- (c) Depositing all funds so collected into a separate bank account maintained by the video lottery terminal operator to allow for electronic fund transfers by the commission on a monthly basis all applicable adjusted gross gaming tax; and**
- (d) After such transfer by the commission, remitting to the video lottery game retailer its share of net terminal income on not less than a monthly basis. The video lottery game operator may thereafter transfer its share of net terminal income to its business operations account.**

13. The adjusted gross gaming revenue tax shall be imposed on adjusted gross gaming revenue. Video lottery terminal operators shall collect and remit the adjusted gross gaming revenue tax, which shall be deposited in the state lottery fund pursuant to rules adopted by the commission. The commission shall use and transmit such funds as follows:

(1) The commission shall retain an amount necessary to cover any administrative expenses that are not covered by reimbursements from video lottery game operators, less the amount to be distributed pursuant to subdivision (2) of this section, which shall not be considered state revenues and such funds shall not be deposited into the state lottery fund;

(2) The commission shall adopt rules to identify the location, by city and county, of each video lottery terminal being operated in the state and connected to the central control system. Such city or county so identified shall receive ten percent of the gross gaming revenue tax collected and remitted on the adjusted gross gaming revenue generated by those video lottery terminals located within the jurisdiction of such identified city or county for use in providing services necessary for the safety of the public visiting a video lottery terminal retailer's location. All revenue owed to such city or county shall be deposited and distributed to such city or county in accordance with rules adopted by the commission. All governing bodies of any city or county shall not be considered state funds and shall be deposited in such city or county's general revenue fund to be expended as provided for in this section;

(3) All remaining funds not allocated for administrative expenses or not designated as state revenue pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection shall be deposited in the state lottery fund and transferred by appropriation to the lottery proceeds fund and shall be appropriated equally to public elementary and secondary education and public institutions of higher learning with an emphasis on funding elementary and secondary education student transportation costs and public institutions of higher education workforce development programs. The funding provided for in this subdivision shall supplement, and not supplant, any education funding otherwise appropriated by the general assembly."; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 14, Lines 356-357, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"a reasonable designation of an area within a video lottery game retailer's premises as the gaming area that is distinct and divided from the primary business operation area of the retailers establishment where all video lottery terminals and ancillary equipment shall be placed and operated and all gaming activity shall be conducted."; and

Further amend said bill and page, Section 313.431, Line 1, by deleting the number "1."; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 4, by deleting the phrase "three hundred sixty-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "one hundred eighty"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 11, by deleting the phrase "three hundred sixty-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "one hundred eighty"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 15, Line 15, by deleting the phrase "three hundred sixty-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase "one hundred eighty"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 28, by inserting after the word "subsection" the following:

". The operating of a no-chance game shall not be cause for denial of a VLT operator's or retailer's license"; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Lines 32-36, by deleting all of said lines; and

Further amend said bill, Pages 15-16, Section 313.435, Lines 1-14, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"313.435. 1. A municipality may adopt an ordinance prohibiting video lottery game terminals within the corporate limits of such municipality within one hundred eighty days from the effective date of this act. Such municipality shall notify the commission of the ordinance within seven days of passage and the commission shall not authorize the placement of video lottery terminals within such municipality. A municipality that has adopted such an ordinance may at any time thereafter adopt an ordinance authorizing video lottery game terminals within the corporate limits of such municipality, provided that such municipality shall not thereafter prohibit video lottery game terminals within the corporate limits of such municipality.

2. A county commission may, for the unincorporated area of the county, adopt an ordinance prohibiting video lottery game terminals within the unincorporated area of the county within one hundred eighty days from the effective date of this act. Such county shall notify the commission of the ordinance within seven days of passage and the commission shall not authorize the placement of video lottery terminals with such unincorporated area of the county. A county commission that has adopted such ordinance may at any time thereafter adopt an ordinance authorizing video lottery game terminals within the unincorporated area of such county, provided that such county commission shall not thereafter prohibit video lottery game terminals within the unincorporated area of such county.

3. Any municipality or county adopting an ordinance that prohibits the licensing of video lottery games shall notify the commission of such action"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 16, Line 18, by deleting said line and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"4. If any such municipality or county that has opted to prohibit the"; and

Further amend said bill, Pages 16-17, Section 313.437, Lines 1-50, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"313.437. Nothing in sections 313.425 to 313.437 shall be construed to prohibit or bar the issuance of any license described therein to an applicant on the basis of that applicant's operation, handling, leasing, licensing, servicing, or placing of machines or devices used for amusement purposes, except that any video lottery game retailer shall attest, on a form provided by the commission, that the video lottery game retailer does not have any machines or devices operating in the retail establishment where winning game plays result in a cash payout. This form shall be submitted no later than forty-eight hours after the placement and operation of any video lottery game terminals in the retail establishment."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 18, Section 572.010, Lines 15-17, by deleting the phrase **". The owning, operating, supplying, or servicing of video lottery game terminals under sections 313.425 to 313.437 does not constitute advancing gambling activity"**; and

Further amend said bill, page, and section, Lines 21-28, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(3) "Contest of chance", any contest, game, gaming scheme, or gaming device in which the outcome depends in a material degree upon an element of chance, notwithstanding that the skill of the contestants may also be a factor therein;

(4) "Gambling", a person engages in gambling when he or she stakes or risks something of value upon the outcome of a contest of"; and

Further amend said bill and section, Page 18, Lines 40-42, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"sections 313.800 to 313.840."; and

Further amend said bill and section, Pages 19-20, Lines 71-99, by deleting said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(11) "Slot machine", a gaming device that as a result of the insertion of a coin or other object operates, either completely automatically or with the aid of some physical act by the player, in a such a manner that, depending upon elements of chance, it may eject something of value. A device so constructed or readily adaptable or convertible to such use is no less a slot machine because it is not in working order or because some mechanical act of manipulation or repair is required to accomplish its adaptation, conversion or workability. Nor is it any less a slot machine because apart from its use or adaptability as such it may also sell or deliver something of value on a basis other than chance;"; and

Further amend said bill, Pages 20-21, Section 572.020, Lines 1-7, by deleting said section and lines from the bill; and

Further amend said bill, Page 21, Section 572.070, Lines 1-7, by deleting said section and lines from the bill; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

Representative Murphy offered **House Amendment No. 1 to House Amendment No. 2.**

House Amendment No. 1
to
House Amendment No. 2

AMEND House Amendment No. 2 to House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 2, Lines 31-33, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(13) "Video lottery game terminal or Electronic gaming machine", any device that through an electronic, mechanical, or electromechanical process, including through the use of any application, software, or other system that accepts legal tender or other forms of digital currency to play, and through which is used to generate a prize of money or form of credit that can be redeemed for money or another form of monetary payment that is presented to the user by a set or combination of alphanumeric symbols or lines of symbols that determine the amount of the prize, regardless of the operating system that determined the prize. Electronic gaming machines, with the exception of those operated under section 313.800, shall be regulated by the Missouri lottery commission. All other forms of electronic gaming machines that are not regulated by the commission or bear the commission's seal are not legal under the definition of a slot machine in section 589.554."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative Murphy, **House Amendment No. 1 to House Amendment No. 2** was adopted.

Representative Shields offered **House Amendment No. 2 to House Amendment No. 2**.

House Amendment No. 2
to
House Amendment No. 2

AMEND House Amendment No. 2 to House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 7, Lines 19-35, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

""313.435. 1. A municipality may adopt an ordinance permitting video lottery game terminals within the corporate limits of such municipality within one hundred eighty days from the effective date of this act. Such municipality shall notify the commission of the ordinance within seven days of passage. A municipality that has adopted such an ordinance may at any time thereafter adopt an ordinance prohibiting video lottery game terminals within the corporate limits of such municipality.

2. A county commission may, for the unincorporated area of the county, adopt an ordinance permitting video lottery game terminals within the unincorporated area of the county within one hundred eighty days from the effective date of this act. Such county shall notify the commission of the ordinance within seven days of passage. A county commission that has adopted such an ordinance may at any time thereafter adopt an ordinance prohibiting video lottery game terminals within the unincorporated area of the county."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative Shields, **House Amendment No. 2 to House Amendment No. 2** was adopted.

Representative Murray offered **House Amendment No. 3 to House Amendment No. 2**.

House Amendment No. 3
to
House Amendment No. 2

AMEND House Amendment No. 2 to House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 7, Line 26, by inserting after the word "municipality." the phrase "A video lottery game retailer or operator may not locate a gaming terminal within a distance of one thousand feet of a school."; and

Further amend said amendment and page, Line 35, by inserting after the word "**county.**" the phrase "**A video lottery game retailer or operator may not locate a gaming terminal within a distance of one thousand feet of a school.**"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

Representative Murray moved that **House Amendment No. 3 to House Amendment No. 2** be adopted.

Which motion was defeated.

On motion of Representative Hardwick, **House Amendment No. 2, as amended**, was adopted.

Representative Myers offered **House Amendment No. 3.**

House Amendment No. 3

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 21, Section 572.100, Line 7, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"650.930. 1. There is hereby established within the department of public safety the "Missouri Gaming Bureau". The Missouri gaming commission and the Missouri lottery commission may contract with the Missouri gaming bureau for assistance in criminal and regulatory investigations involving individuals, companies, and suppliers who are applying for licensure or who are conducting any activities under sections 313.800 to 313.850 or operations relating to video lottery games.

2. The director of the gaming bureau shall be a uniformed member of the Missouri state highway patrol who shall be appointed by the superintendent of the state highway patrol. The director shall be responsible for the administrative operations of the gaming bureau and shall perform such other duties as may be delegated or assigned to the director by the department of public safety. Members of the state highway patrol, pursuant to a memorandum of understanding with the state highway patrol, may provide services to the gaming bureau. The director may employ additional members to serve in the gaming bureau, provided that such persons are licensed peace officers under chapter 590 and have a minimum of six hundred hours of law enforcement training.

3. Members of the gaming bureau shall have full power and authority as are now or hereafter vested by law in peace officers when working with the bureau which shall include the power to enforce the rules of the gaming commission with respect to the gaming and lottery industry and the power to investigate violations occurring on the gaming floor and premises of casinos licensed under sections 313.800 to 313.850, violations by licensees of the lottery commission, and violations of chapter 572.

4. Members of the gaming bureau shall be paid from funds designated as administrative within the state lottery fund established under section 313.321 that were generated from revenues received by the Missouri lottery commission from the sale of Missouri lottery tickets and from license fees and reimbursements associated with the regulation and operation of video lottery games in the state and from funds designated as administrative within the gaming commission fund established under section 313.835 that were generated from revenues received by the Missouri gaming commission from license fees and reimbursements associated with the regulation and operation of excursion gambling boats in the state.

5. The director of the department of public safety 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, 2025, shall be invalid and void."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative Myers, **House Amendment No. 3** was adopted.

Representative Shields offered **House Amendment No. 4**.

House Amendment No. 4

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 21, Section 572.100, Line 7, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"Section B. Section A of this act is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state for approval or rejection at an election which is hereby ordered and which shall be held and conducted on the Tuesday immediately following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, pursuant to the laws and constitutional provisions of this state applicable to general elections and the submission of referendum measures by initiative petition, and it shall become effective when approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon at such election and not otherwise."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

Representative McGaugh offered **House Substitute Amendment No. 1 for House Amendment No. 4**.

*House Substitute Amendment No. 1
for
House Amendment No. 4*

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 21, Section 572.100, Line 7, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

"Section B. Section A of this act is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state for approval or rejection at an election which is hereby ordered and which shall be held and conducted on the Tuesday immediately following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the general assembly for that purpose, pursuant to the laws and constitutional provisions of this state applicable to general elections and the submission of referendum measures by initiative petition, and it shall become effective when approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon at such election and not otherwise."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

Representative McGaugh moved that **House Substitute Amendment No. 1 for House Amendment No. 4** be adopted.

Which motion was defeated by the following vote, the ayes and noes having been demanded pursuant to Article III, Section 26 of the Constitution:

AYES: 067

Allen	Appelbaum	Aune	Baker	Barnes
Billington	Boykin	Boyko	Bromley	Brown 149
Burton	Bush	Busick	Butz	Caton
Clemens	Costlow	Crossley	Doll	Douglas
Ealy	Falkner	Farnan	Fogle	Fuchs
Gallick	Haden	Hales	Haley	Harbison

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Hein	Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Jacobs
Jamison	Jobe	Jones 12	Kelley	Mansur
McGaugh	Miller	Mosley	Murray	Nolte
Oehlerking	Parker	Pouche	Price	Reuter
Seitz	Self	Shields	Steinhoff	Steinmetz
Strickler	Taylor 48	Thomas	Thompson	Van Schoiack
Veit	Violet	Walsh Moore	Weber	Wellenkamp
Woods	Wright			

NOES: 070

Amato	Anderson	Black	Byrnes	Casteel
Chappell	Christ	Christensen	Cook	Davidson
Davis	Dean	Diehl	Dolan	Durnell
Elliott	Fountain Henderson	Fowler	Gragg	Griffith
Hardwick	Hausman	Hruza	Irwin	Johnson
Jones 88	Jordan	Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley
Kimble	Knight	Loy	Mackey	Martin
Matthiesen	Mayhew	McGill	Meirath	Murphy
Myers	Overcast	Perkins	Peters	Pollitt
Reed	Riggs	Riley	Roberts	Rush
Schmidt	Schulte	Smith 46	Smith 68	Steinmeyer
Stinnett	Taylor 84	Terry	Titus	Verneti
Voss	Waller	Warwick	West	Whaley
Williams	Wilson	Wolfen	Young	Mr. Speaker

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 025

Banderman	Boggs	Bosley	Brown 16	Coleman
Collins	Cupps	Deaton	Hurlbert	Ingle
Laubinger	Lewis	Lucas	Owen	Phelps
Plank	Proudie	Reedy	Sassmann	Sharp 37
Sharpe 4	Simmons	Smith 74	Sparks	Zimmermann

VACANCIES: 001

Representative Shields moved that **House Amendment No. 4** be adopted.

Which motion was defeated.

Representative West offered **House Amendment No. 5.**

House Amendment No. 5

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 17, Section 313.437, Line 50, by inserting after said section and line the following:

"313.820. 1. An excursion boat licensee shall pay to the commission an admission fee of ~~[two]~~ **four** dollars for each person embarking on an excursion gambling boat with a ticket of admission. One dollar of such fee shall be deposited to the credit of the gaming commission fund as authorized pursuant to section 313.835, **two dollars of such fee shall be transferred to the Missouri veterans commission as established under section 42.007**, and one dollar of such fee shall not be considered state funds and shall be paid to the home dock city or county. Subject to appropriation, one cent of such fee deposited to the credit of the gaming commission fund may be deposited to the credit of the compulsive gamblers fund created pursuant to the provisions of section 313.842.

Nothing in this section shall preclude any licensee from charging any amount deemed necessary for a ticket of admission to any person embarking on an excursion gambling boat. If tickets are issued which are good for more than one excursion, the admission fee shall be paid to the commission for each person using the ticket on each excursion that the ticket is used. If free passes or complimentary admission tickets are issued, the excursion boat licensee shall pay to the commission the same fee upon these passes or complimentary tickets as if they were sold at the regular and usual admission rate; however, the excursion boat licensee may issue fee-free passes to actual and necessary officials and employees of the licensee or other persons actually working on the excursion gambling boat. The issuance of fee-free passes is subject to the rules of the commission, and a list of all persons to whom the fee-free passes are issued shall be filed with the commission.

2. All licensees are subject to all income taxes, sales taxes, earnings taxes, use taxes, property taxes or any other tax or fee now or hereafter lawfully levied by any political subdivision; however, no other license tax, permit tax, occupation tax, excursion fee, or taxes or fees shall be imposed, levied or assessed exclusively upon licensees by a political subdivision. All state taxes not connected directly to gambling games shall be collected by the department of revenue. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 32.057 to the contrary, the department of revenue may furnish and the commission may receive tax information to determine if applicants or licensees are complying with the tax laws of this state; however, any tax information acquired by the commission shall not become public record and shall be used exclusively for commission business."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

Representative Matthiesen offered **House Amendment No. 1 to House Amendment No. 5**.

*House Amendment No. 1
to
House Amendment No. 5*

AMEND House Amendment No. 5 to House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 1, Line 30, by deleting all of the said line and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"shall not become public record and shall be used exclusively for commission business.

3. The Missouri lottery commission shall promulgate rules for the collection of an admission fee for every person entering a room containing video lottery terminals. This fee shall be the same as admission fees to excursion gambling boats. Such revenues shall be transferred on intervals determined by the Missouri lottery commission which shall be to the credit of the Missouri veterans commission as established under section 42.007."; and"

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

Representative Matthiesen moved that **House Amendment No. 1 to House Amendment No. 5** be adopted.

Which motion was defeated.

On motion of Representative West, **House Amendment No. 5** was adopted.

Representative Murray offered **House Amendment No. 6**.

House Amendment No. 6

AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 970, Page 13, Section 313.429, Line 310, by inserting after all of said line the following:

"(6) A video lottery game retailer or operator shall place a conspicuous warning label or sticker on each gaming machine at each retail location in red lettering at least one-half inch high on white background that reads, "WARNING: GAMBLING CAN BE ADDICTIVE"."; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

On motion of Representative Murray, **House Amendment No. 6** was adopted.

Representative Riley moved the previous question.

Which motion was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 109

Allen	Amato	Anderson	Appelbaum	Baker
Banderman	Billington	Black	Bromley	Busick
Byrnes	Casteel	Caton	Chappell	Christ
Christensen	Cook	Costlow	Davidson	Davis
Diehl	Dolan	Durnell	Ealy	Elliott
Falkner	Fowler	Gallick	Gragg	Griffith
Haden	Haley	Harbison	Hardwick	Hausman
Hewkin	Hinman	Hovis	Hruza	Hurlbert
Ingle	Irwin	Johnson	Jones 12	Jordan
Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kelley	Knight
Laubinger	Loy	Lucas	Mackey	Martin
Matthiesen	Mayhew	McGaugh	McGill	Meirath
Miller	Murphy	Myers	Nolte	Oehlerking
Overcast	Parker	Perkins	Peters	Phelps
Pollitt	Pouche	Reedy	Reuter	Riggs
Riley	Roberts	Rush	Sassmann	Schmidt
Schulte	Seitz	Self	Sharpe 4	Shields
Smith 68	Sparks	Steinmeyer	Stinnett	Taylor 48
Terry	Thompson	Titus	Van Schoiack	Vernetti
Violet	Voss	Waller	Warwick	Weber
Wellenkamp	West	Whaley	Williams	Wilson
Wolfen	Wright	Young	Mr. Speaker	

NOES: 034

Aune	Barnes	Boykin	Boyko	Burton
Bush	Butz	Clemens	Crossley	Dean
Doll	Douglas	Fogle	Fountain Henderson	Fuchs
Hales	Hein	Jacobs	Jamison	Jobe
Kimble	Mansur	Mosley	Murray	Price
Reed	Smith 46	Steinhoff	Steinmetz	Strickler
Taylor 84	Thomas	Walsh Moore	Woods	

PRESENT: 000

ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 019

Boggs	Bosley	Brown 149	Brown 16	Coleman
Collins	Cupps	Deaton	Farnan	Jones 88
Lewis	Owen	Plank	Proudie	Sharp 37
Simmons	Smith 74	Veit	Zimmermann	

VACANCIES: 001

On motion of Representative Hardwick, **HCS HB 970, as amended**, was adopted.

On motion of Representative Hardwick, **HCS HB 970, as amended**, was ordered perfected and printed by the following vote, the ayes and noes having been demanded pursuant to Article III, Section 26 of the Constitution:

AYES: 074

Allen	Anderson	Appelbaum	Barnes	Black
Boykin	Bush	Butz	Byrnes	Casteel
Chappell	Christ	Cook	Crossley	Cupps
Davidson	Davis	Dean	Diehl	Dolan
Doll	Douglas	Ealy	Fountain Henderson	Fowler
Fuchs	Griffith	Hardwick	Hovis	Hurlbert
Ingle	Irwin	Jobe	Johnson	Jones 88
Justus	Kalberloh	Keathley	Kimble	Knight
Lucas	Mackey	Mayhew	Meirath	Mosley
Murphy	Murray	Myers	Oehlerking	Parker
Perkins	Peters	Phelps	Price	Reed
Reedy	Reuter	Riley	Roberts	Rush
Sassmann	Schmidt	Schulte	Smith 46	Smith 68
Stinnett	Taylor 48	Taylor 84	Terry	Voss
West	Williams	Young	Mr. Speaker	

NOES: 070

Amato	Aune	Baker	Banderman	Billington
Boyko	Bromley	Burton	Busick	Caton
Christensen	Costlow	Durnell	Elliott	Falkner
Fogle	Gallick	Gragg	Haden	Hales
Haley	Harbison	Hausman	Hein	Hewkin
Hinman	Hruza	Jacobs	Jamison	Jones 12
Jordan	Kelley	Laubinger	Loy	Mansur
Martin	Matthiesen	McGaugh	McGill	Miller
Nolte	Overcast	Pollitt	Pouche	Riggs
Seitz	Self	Sharpe 4	Shields	Sparks
Steinhoff	Steinmetz	Steinmeyer	Strickler	Thomas
Thompson	Titus	Van Schoiack	Veit	Vernetti
Violet	Waller	Walsh Moore	Warwick	Weber
Wellenkamp	Whaley	Wilson	Woods	Wright

PRESENT: 002

Clemens	Wolfen
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ABSENT WITH LEAVE: 016

Boggs	Bosley	Brown 149	Brown 16	Coleman
Collins	Deaton	Farnan	Lewis	Owen
Plank	Proudie	Sharp 37	Simmons	Smith 74
Zimmermann				

VACANCIES: 001

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has taken up and passed **SS#2 HCS HBs 594 & 508** entitled:

An act to repeal sections 67.547, 67.582, 67.1366, 67.1367, 94.900, 135.010, 135.025, 135.030, 137.1050, 143.121, 321.552, 321.554, and 321.556, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof fifteen new sections relating to taxation.

In which the concurrence of the House is respectfully requested.

REFERRAL OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following House Joint Resolutions were referred to the Committee indicated:

HJR 39 - Children and Families

HJR 73 - Children and Families

REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Bills were referred to the Committee indicated:

SS#2 HCS HBs 594 & 508 - Fiscal Review

HB 996 - Special Committee on Tourism

HB 1273 - Elementary and Secondary Education

HB 1349 - Corrections and Public Institutions

REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS

The following Senate Bill was referred to the Committee indicated:

SS SCS SB 105 - Conservation and Natural Resources

REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILLS - RULES

The following House Bills were referred to the Committee indicated:

HCS#2 HBs 440 & 1160 - Rules - Legislative

HB 601 - Rules - Legislative

REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS - RULES

The following Senate Bills were referred to the Committee indicated:

HCS SS SB 67 - Rules - Legislative

HCS SS SCS SB 68 - Rules - Legislative

COMMUNICATIONS

April 7, 2025

Joseph Engler, Chief Clerk
Missouri House of Representatives
State Capitol, Rm. 310

Re: Possible Personal Interest in Legislation

Dear Mr. Engler,

Pursuant to Section 105.461, RSMo, I am hereby filing a written report of personal interest in legislation on which the House of Representatives may vote during this legislative session.

My husband, Cole Christensen is employed by the Missouri Secretary of State's Office.

Please publish this letter in the Journal of the House.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mazzie Christensen
State Representative
District 2

ADVANCEMENT OF HOUSE BILLS - CONSENT

Pursuant to Rule 48, the following bill, having remained on the House Consent Calendar for Perfection for five legislative days, was ordered perfected and printed by consent with all committee substitutes and committee amendments thereto adopted and perfected by consent:
HB 928.

The following member's presence was noted: Coleman.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Representative Riley, the House adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 8, 2025.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS

AGRICULTURE

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 8:30 AM, House Hearing Room 7.

Public hearing will be held: SS SCS SB 466

Executive session will be held: HB 910, HB 642

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 8:00 AM, House Hearing Room 6.

Public hearing will be held: HB 1070, HB 409

Executive session will be held: HB 483

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 9:00 AM, House Hearing Room 1.

Public hearing will be held: HB 1499

Time change.

CORRECTED

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 12:00 PM or upon morning recess (whichever is later),
House Hearing Room 7.

Public hearing will be held: HB 1365, HB 1413, SS SCS SBs 49 & 118

FISCAL REVIEW

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 8:30 AM, House Hearing Room 4.

Executive session will be held: HCS HB 572, HB 232, HB 969

Executive session may be held on any matter referred to the committee.

Pending referrals.

Added HB 232 and HB 969.

AMENDED

GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 12:00 PM or upon morning recess (whichever is later),
House Hearing Room 7.

Public hearing will be held: HB 1442, HB 1137, HB 1570, SS SB 152, HB 1454

Executive session will be held: SS#2 SCS SB 10, HB 1222

Removed executive session for SB 152.

AMENDED

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT

Thursday, April 24, 2025, 9:30 AM, Joint Hearing Room (117).

Pending applications for memorial highway and bridge designations.

Pending applications for specialty license plates.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 9:00 AM, House Hearing Room 5.

Public hearing will be held: HB 1572

Executive session will be held: HB 144, HB 1249, HB 895, HB 1405

Time change.

CORRECTED

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION AND LICENSING

Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 8:30 AM, House Hearing Room 7.

Public hearing will be held: HB 566, HB 881

Executive session will be held: HB 1348, HB 1465, HB 1599

RULES - ADMINISTRATIVE

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 9:30 AM, House Hearing Room 4.

Executive session will be held: HCS HB 720, HB 134, HCS HB 235, HB 245, HB 632,

HCS HB 669, HCS HBs 982 & 840

Executive session may be held on any matter referred to the committee.

RULES - LEGISLATIVE

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 12:00 PM or upon morning recess (whichever is later),

House Hearing Room 4.

Executive session will be held: SS#2 SCS SB 22

Executive session may be held on any matter referred to the committee.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TAX REFORM

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 12:00 PM or upon morning recess (whichever is later),

House Hearing Room 1.

Public hearing will be held: HB 45

Executive session will be held: HB 45, HB 1007, HB 1107

SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 8:00 AM, House Hearing Room 5.

Office of Administration - Information Technology Services Division will be giving an educational presentation on their department and future plans.

HOUSE CALENDAR

FIFTIETH DAY, TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS FOR PERFECTION

HCS HJR 67 - McGaugh

HCS#2 HJR 54 - Stinnett

HOUSE BILLS FOR PERFECTION

HB 992 - Myers

HCS HBs 610 & 900 - Wilson

HCS HB 328 - Taylor (48)

HCS HB 1346 - Steinmeyer

HCS HBs 1524 & 1580 - Casteel

HB 766 - Stinnett

HB 830 - Cook

HCS HB 534 - Diehl

HCS HB 31 - Davidson
HCS HB 33 - Davidson
HB 182 - Parker
HCS HB 565 - Boggs
HCS HB 736 - Dolan
HB 168 - Brown (149)
HB 957 - Anderson
HB 1284 - Hewkin
HCS HB 828 - Laubinger
HCS HB 411 - Williams
HCS#2 HB 953 - Davidson

HOUSE BILLS FOR PERFECTION - INFORMAL

HB 284 - Proudie
HCS HB 531 - Hausman
HB 116 - Murphy
HCS HBs 222 & 580 - Schulte
HB 457 - Taylor (48)
HCS HB 593 - Perkins
HCS HB 119 - Murphy
HCS HB 326 - Shields
HB 349 - Reuter
HB 431 - Caton
HCS HB 806 - Taylor (48)
HB 783 - Keathley
HB 671 - Harbison
HB 398 - Peters
HB 242 - Sharpe (4)
HB 37 - Billington
HCS HB 712 - Pollitt
HCS HB 708 - Oehlerking
HCS HB 436 - Hardwick
HB 475 - Pollitt
HCS HB 477 - Oehlerking
HCS HB 606 - Haley
HB 608 - Thompson
HB 657 - Owen
HB 723 - Peters
HCS HB 916 - Perkins
HB 200 - Falkner
HCS HBs 862, 314 & 389 - Hovis
HB 107 - Verneti
HCS HB 941 - Lewis
HCS HB 83 - Veit
HCS HB 368 - Banderman
HCS HB 50 - Haley

HCS HB 991 - Phelps
HB 714 - Griffith
HCS HBs 516, 290 & 778 - Matthiesen
HB 501 - Christ
HB 743 - Baker
HB 1200 - Reuter
HCS HBs 735 & 686 - Deaton
HB 1193 - West
HB 74 - Taylor (48)
HB 499 - Christ
HB 1298 - Jones (88)
HB 1041 - Diehl
HB 56 - Coleman
HB 199 - Falkner
HCS HB 716 - Falkner
HB 366 - Pollitt
HCS HB 839 - Schulte
HCS HB 315 - Cook
HCS HB 927 - Gragg
HB 837 - Farnan
HB 757 - Mayhew
HB 205 - Hinman

HOUSE BILLS FOR THIRD READING

HB 232, (Fiscal Review 4/3/25) - Gallick
HB 969, (Fiscal Review 4/3/25) - Knight

HOUSE BILLS FOR THIRD READING - INFORMAL

HCS HB 236, E.C. - Gallick
HCS HBs 126 & 367, (Fiscal Review 4/1/25) - Veit
HCS HB 572, (Fiscal Review 4/1/25) - Hurlbert

HOUSE BILLS FOR THIRD READING - CONSENT

HCS HBs 1017 & 291 - Brown (16)
HB 241 - Sharpe (4)
HB 928 - Taylor (48)

SENATE BILLS FOR THIRD READING

SS SCS SB 47 - Diehl

HOUSE BILLS WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

SS HCS HBs 737 & 486, as amended (Fiscal Review 3/13/25) - Schmidt
SS#2 HCS HBs 594 & 508, (Fiscal Review 4/7/25) - Perkins

ACTIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 27

SS SCS HCS HB 2002 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2003 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2004 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2005 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2006 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2007 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2008 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2009 - Deaton
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SS SCS HCS HB 2012 - Deaton
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SS SCS HCS HB 2017 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2018 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2019 - Deaton
SS SCS HCS HB 2020 - Deaton