

## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Senator Karla Eslinger's (Dist. 33, our Senator) SB 51 was the first bill to be perfected in the Missouri Senate this session. The proposed legislation modifies provisions relating to physical therapists to allow treatment without referral from an approved health care provider. The bill has been second read in the House.

The second bill perfected was Senator Hoskins' (Dist.21, Warrensburg) SB 3. The bill would modify provisions relating to the promotion of business development. The act would establish the "Regulatory Sandbox Act", which creates the Regulatory Relief Office within the Department of Economic Development (DED). It would also create the Office of Entrepreneurship within DED.

Senator Koenig's SB 4 (Dist. 15, Manchester) was perfected yesterday. The legislation would modify provisions regarding transparency in public schools and creates the Parents' Bill of Rights Act of 2023. **Read the bill summary here.** 

The House Economic Development Committee will hear two "Entertainment Industry Jobs Act" bills next week. Representative Hudson (Dist. 138, Cape Fair) sponsors HB 133, which would allow tax credits for qualified rehearsal expenses and tour expenses. Representative O'Donnell's (Dist. 95, St. Louis) HB 583 is

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Similar to HB 133.

Governor Parson's 2024 budget called for an 8.7% cost of living increase for all state team members. The House Budget Committee determined this week to remove legislators and statewide elected officials from the pay increase plan. The House is expected to take up the bill Monday.



#### **MORNING BREW CREW TOMORROW**

Please join us for Morning Brew Crew Friday, February 10 at 8:30am. Start your day off with networking and new connections. This event is free to attend and free from agenda. Thank you to Branson Café for sponsoring the first Brew Crew of 2023! There will be cinnamon rolls and gifts at the event courtesy of Branson Café. Click the link below to RSVP.

Friday, February 10 | 8:30 AM

Branson Chamber & CVB Building
4100 Gretna Road Branson, MO 65616

**RSVP HERE** 





#### **FIRST IGNITE LUNCHEON OF 2023**

Ignite Branson's vision is to foster an environment where young professionals are engaged, energized, and empowered to help shape the future of the Branson/Lakes Area. After a brief hiatus, Ignite is firing back up in 2023 with four luncheons featuring topics specifically geared toward young professionals under 45. Attendees have been invited to stay an extra hour (1-2pm) after the event to look around and explore the unharnessed attractions. Click the link below to RSVP.

Tuesday, February 28 | 12:00 PM

Fritz's Adventure 1425 W 76 Country Blvd Branson, MO 65616

**RSVP HERE** 





# HOT WINTER FUN BIG SHOW

The 29th Annual Hot Winter Fun Big Show features some of Branson's best shows! The line-up includes the Hughes Music Show, Legends in Concert, the SIX show, Elvis Live starring Jerry Presley, Stevie Lee Woods & Nashville Roadhouse Live Band, the Re-Vibe show, Golden Sounds of the Platters, That Mentalist Guy Steve Sanders, Legends of Country, the Morace Family, George Jones & Friends, Johnny Lonestar from Hamners' Unbelievable Variety Show, Motown Dowtown, and Patsy to Patsy. Josh Clark of The Upside on 106.3 will Emcee. There is VIP Overlook seating which includes tabletop dining, delicious meal catered by Florentina's, and a cash bar. The VIP Overlook is sponsored by Branson IMAX, Florentina's, Heroes Tastes & Taps, and McFarlain's. Call 417-339-3003 to get tickets!

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## TAKE RENTAL PROPERTY SURVEY

Do you own, manage or rent residential property in TANEY COUNTY?

We need your help and less than 5 minutes of your time. If you are a residential landlord, or manager, in <u>Taney County</u>, <u>please take</u> this survey via the link or the QR code below.

Taney County stakeholders are working on ways to expand and preserve obtainable housing for all residents by updating the 2018 Taney County comprehensive housing study. Locally sourced data is critical and will provide information for the planning team to better understand the current state of the market, which will be used as the foundation for recommendations that are appropriate for our region.

Your responses are very important and will remain confidential. Thank you for your time and help!

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#### **NEW MEMBERS**

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Branson, MO 65616

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