

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Governor Parson recently announced Dr. Bennett Boggs has been selected as the new Commissioner of the Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development.

Show MO Act/Entertainment Industry Jobs Act – **Passed Senate**. SBs 52, 57, 58, 67 and 94 have been combined into one Senate Substitute bill, 94.

Community Improvement Districts/Transportation Development Districts – **Passed Senate**. SB 96 (Koenig, Dist. 15, Manchester) would require a CID, in order to be established, be approved by a 2/3 majority vote if the proposed district utilizes a sales tax as a proposed funding mechanism. Current law requires a TDD to submit a proposed project to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, or to the local transportation authority, as applicable, for approval prior to the construction or funding of any project. The act would require the Commission, or local transportation authority to approve the projects with a 2/3 majority vote if the project utilizes a sales tax as a proposed funding mechanism.

Judicial Privacy Act – **Passed Senate.** SB 72 (Trent, Dist. 20, Springfield) modifies provisions relating to judicial privacy, including establishing the Judicial Privacy Act, the offense of unlawful posting of certain information, and the inclusion of personal information of minors in certain court documents.

Regulatory Sandbox Act - Passed House. HB 268 (Riley, Dist. 134, Springfield)

Motor Vehicle Sales – **Passed House.** HB 415 (O'Donnell, Dist. 95, St. Louis) would require every licensed motor vehicle dealer to collect and remit sales tax on all motor vehicles sold.

Property and Casualty Insurance – **Passed House.** HB 655 (Knight, Dist. 142, Lebanon) modifies provisions relating to property and casualty insurance.

The last day to file bills was yesterday, March 1.



RSVP FOR MARCH BREW CREW

Wrap up the week with discussions and drinks. Brew Crews are free events that provide an opportunity for our members and the community to gather in a neutral location free from agendas. This month's brew is provided by Crazy Craig's Treehouse & Cheeky Monkey Bar. To RSVP, click the link below!

Friday, March 10 | 2:00-3:00 PM Branson Chamber & CVB 4100 Gretna Road Branson, MO 65616

RSVP HERE





ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

A luncheon dedicated to all members of the Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and CVB, this event highlights how your membership dollars are being used to increase visitation and grow the economy. The 2023 Annual Membership Luncheon is presented by Titanic Museum Attraction and is hosted by the Chateau on the Lake Resort Spa & Convention Center.

Tuesday, March 21 | 11:30AM-1:00 PM

Chateau on the Lake Resort Spa & Convention Center

415 N State Hwy 265

Branson, MO 65616

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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 Taney County, please take 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!

TAKE THE SURVEY



COXHEALTH SUPER CLINIC GROUNDBREAKING

On Thursday, Feb. 23, members of the CoxHealth family invited Branson area leaders and community members to join them for a special groundbreaking ceremony at the future site of their recently announced

super clinic. The 30,000-square-foot clinic will be built nextdoor to the Branson RecPlex upon 26 acres of land, which were recently purchased by the health system. This super clinic will include primary care, urgent care, occupational medicine, specialty care as well as on-site radiology and lab services. The project is scheduled for completion in the spring of 2024.

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NONPROFIT GRANT PROGRAM DRAFT GUIDELINES AND SURVEY NOW AVAILABLE

The Department of Economic Development (DED) is requesting public feedback on its proposed Nonprofit Grant Program, funded via the State of Missouri's share of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). This \$7.5M program is designed to support nonprofits that serve disadvantaged, underserved, or vulnerable populations, and have experienced negative economic impact due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Public Input Survey linked below will assist DED in creating the **Nonprofit Grant Program Guidelines**, including minimum and maximum awards, eligible applicants, and funding priorities. The Public Input Survey is open now, and you may provide input until 5:00 p.m. on March 9.

TAKE THE SURVEY





16TH ANNUAL ELVIS FESTIVAL

The 16th Annual Branson Elvis™ Festival will be held at Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater March 24-26. The Ultimate Elvis™ Tribute Artist Contest™ semi-finals will take place Saturday, March 25 at 7:00 pm and the finals will take place Sunday, March 26 at 2:00 pm. This contest is one of a select few tribute competitions sanctioned by Elvis Presley Enterprises, Inc.

March 24-26

Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater
1600 W 76 Country Boulevard
Branson, MO 65616

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NEW MEMBERS

The Good Shepherd Ranch
595 Howell Drive
Taneyville, MO 65759
(520) 981-3525
https://thegoodshepherdranch.com/

RENEWED MEMBERS

Amazing Pets

Branson Professional Tour Guide Association
Bravo2 Advertising and Promotions
Comedy Jamboree
Golden Corral
J Howard Fisk Limousine, Inc.
Sycamore Creek Family Ranch
Trophy Run
The Vision Clinic Branson

RIBBON CUTTINGS

Friday, March 3 | 1:00 PM
Faith Community Health
1232 Branson Hills Parkway (behind Mezcal restaurant)
Branson, MO 65616

Thursday, March 9 | 10:00 AM

Branson Roof Co

695 Branson Landing Boulevard, Suite 220

Branson, MO 65616

Friday, March 10 | 10:00 AM
Optimum
100 Branson Landing Boulevard, Suite 1101
Branson, MO 65616







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