

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The General Assembly is hard at work in Jefferson City these last seven days of regular session. Legislators are offering amendments in an effort to get their priorities passed, and Conference Committees are being appointed to work out differences between the House and Senate on various bills.

The House and Senate Budget Conference Committee completed their work yesterday. They included \$4.5 million for libraries that the Senate passed in their version of the budget. The committee agreed to \$2.8 billion for widening I-70 from Blue Springs to Wentzville (\$1.4 billion from general revenue surplus and the remainder from bonds.) Governor Parson's request of \$56 million for pre-kindergarten programs and \$81 million for childcare subsidies was also included. Final votes on all pending appropriations are scheduled for Friday. They must be passed by 6:00 p.m. Much more to come next week and the week after.

THIS JUST IN: The Show MO Act was Truly Agreed and Finally Passed this afternoon!! The legislation authorizes incentives for motion media projects in Missouri, as defined. It also contains the Entertainment Industry Jobs Act related to rehearsal and tour expenses. Specific criteria must be met for a company to receive tax credits. **Additional information here.**

Each of our local legislators, Senator Eslinger, Representatives Seitz, Smith, Hudson supported these

efforts by filing their own bills related to the motion media and/or rehearsal and tour projects. I hank you for your support to get this across the finish line!



OFFICE OF MILITARY ADVOCATE REQUESTS FEEDBACK ON MISSOURI MILITARY-FRIENDLY GUIDE

The Office of Military Advocate announced today that it is accepting public comment on the Missouri Military-Friendly Guide through May 19. Please take a few moments to provide your feedback. Together, we can work towards making Missouri the most military-friendly state in the nation.

The Office of Military Advocate leads Missouri's efforts to coordinate state and local actions to preserve and expand Missouri's military installations and agencies, improve the quality of life and opportunities for service members and their families, and to enhance the state's defense industries. The Military Advocate serves as the liaison between state and federal branches of government and provides enhanced communication to Missouri government leaders and installation communities. The Military Advocate also serves as the Executive Director of the Missouri Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission.

TAKE SURVEY



NATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK

May 7-13 marks the 40th anniversary of National Travel and Tourism Week. We are demonstrating how integral travel is to every industry and nearly everything we do. Our recovery is the nation's recovery, and travel is essential to a future of growth and innovation. NTTW 2023 celebrates the industry's critical role in powering economies, communities and connections. From education to new business growth to advancing manufacturing and more—when we move #TravelForward, we move America forward. To use the NTTW toolkit on your own social platforms next week, click the link below.

NTTW TOOLKIT

GOOD MORNING, BRANSON FEATURING MISSOURI ATTORNEY GENERAL



Join us for a special Good Morning, Branson May 18 at Chateau on the Lake Resort Spa and Convention Center presented by Titanic Museum Attraction. In addition to hearing updates from county commissioners, city administrators, and chamber leadership, this "Good Morning, Branson" will feature a presentation by Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey, as well as State Representatives Brian Seitz, Travis Smith, and Brad Hudson. Click the link below to save your seat.

May 18 | 8:00-9:30 AM Chateau on the Lake Resort Spa and Convention Center 415 N State Hwy 265 Branson, MO 65616

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SHO-ME BASEBALL CAMP GRAND OPENING THIS WEEKEND

Sho-Me Baseball's opening at Table Rock Lake will be marked by a special event featuring a Grip'N'Rip Baseball Game, Greater Midwest Baseball Dinger de Sho-Me Tournament (10-14U), and a poignant field dedication ceremony in honor of Bill Virdon.

Sho-Me Baseball is now a lakeshore experience by Ballparks of America! Originally opened in 1958, Sho-Me Baseball is one of the oldest established baseball schools in the country. Now Sho-Me Baseball has been revitalized to create a unique baseball experience! Located next to Table Rock Lake, our all-grass fields offer a one-of-a-kind historic feel.

Saturday, May 6
9:00 am- GMB Dinger de Sho-Me Tournament
2:30 pm- GRBL All-Star Game
5:30 pm- Bill Virdon field dedication ceremony

LEARN MORE





LAKES AREA LEADERSHIP CLASS RECAP

The Lakes Area Leadership class spent their second session learning about the history of the Ozarks and learned more about their Personality Profiling. They toured The Shepherd of the Hills with Jeff Johnson, watched the "Legacy and Legends" historic film at the IMAX, and listened to the Personality Profiling Presentation with Conatus3. Thank you to our partners for this session and to our main sponsor, Branson Bank.

SECOND IGNITE EVENT OF 2023

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 events featuring topics specifically geared toward the forty-something and under crowd.

This event will be like none other. We will start by hiking down to Howler Bike Park's outdoor stage at their Base Camp. There, we will have an intriguing presentation with a panel of unique area entrepreneurs. Snacks will be provided. More information to come post registration. Click the link below to register!

Ignite Branson's vision is to foster an environment where young



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Hollywood Wax Museum/Castle of Chaos
Joe's Crab Shack
Mercy Clinic - Branson Cancer & Hematology
Sycamore Creek Family Ranch
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RIBBON CUTTINGS

Wednesday, May 10 | 10:00 AM

Branson RV Park

3330 Harvey Lane (behind Ruby Tuesday on Hwy 76)

Branson, MO 65616







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