

### **Governor Signs Bill Protecting Use of Certain COVID Treatments**

On June 7, the governor signed legislation into law to prohibit the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts from sanctioning the licenses of doctors who prescribe two drugs touted by some as possible treatments for COVID-19, but not approved for that purpose for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The bill also imposes a gag order on pharmacists by prohibiting them from raising questions with patients and doctors about the efficacy or safety of using the drugs for non-approved purposes.

The drugs in question are ivermectin, a treatment for parasitic worms, and hydroxychloroquine sulfate, which is used to treat autoimmune diseases such as lupus and rheumatoid arthritis. Neither are proven effective against COVID-19, and the National Institute of Health's COVID-19 Treatment Guidelines Panel recommends against using them to treat the disease. The protections for those who prescribe the two drugs for off label purposes are included in House Bill 2149. The bill takes effect Aug. 28.

#### Attorney General Subpoenas School Districts

On June, the Missouri attorney general issued subpoenas to seven school districts seeking information on student surveys that allegedly contain information the attorney general deemed inappropriate.

In a news release, the attorney general claims the surveys ask questions relating to racial views, political affiliation and sexual orientation. The subpoenaed districts are Mehlville and Webster Groves in the St. Louis area, Lee's Summit and Park Hill in the Kansas City area and Jefferson City. The attorney general gave the districts 10 days to comply.

Earlier this year, the attorney general sued about four dozen public school districts over their COVID-19 mitigation efforts. None of the lawsuits made much progress, and all but a few were dismissed. In May, however, the attorney general again sued six districts over the issue – all for the second time after previous cases against them had been dismissed.

#### Upcoming Town Hall

I will be hosting an in-person town hall on Saturday, June 25, at 9:30 a.m. The event will be held at the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, located at 2657 Independence Ave., Kansas City, MO.

Social distancing will be observed during the event, and breakfast will be served. For more information or to RSVP, please email Brian.Farmer@senate.mo.gov or call 573-751-3158.



## **Registering to Vote Information**

If you are a Kansas City resident, please visit the Kansas City Election Board website for more information on how to vote or where to register to vote. If you a resident of Jackson County, but not a Kansas City resident, please visit the Jackson County Election Board website for more information.

Place	Address	Hours	Phone
City Clerk's Office	414 E. 12th St., 25th Floor	9am-5pm MonFri.	816-513-1313
	Kansas City, MO, 64106		
Kansas City Election	30 W Pershing Road	8am-5pm MonFri.	816-842-4820
Board	Lower Level		
	Kansas City, MO, 64108		
Kansas City MO	2400 Troost Ave, Ste.	8am-5pm MonFri.	816-513-6008
Health Department	4000 Kansas City, MO,		
	64108		
State Building	615 E 13th St, 1st Floor	8am-5pm MonFri.	816-889-3193
	Kansas City, MO, 64106		

14 W. 10th St. Kansas City, MO, 64105	9am-9pm MonWed.; 9am-6pm Thurs.; 9am-5pm Fri.; 10am-5pm Sat.; 1pm-5pm Sun.	816-701-3433
1601 E 18th St., Ste. 250 Kansas City, MO, 64108	9am-5pm MonFri.	816-421-1191
900 E Linwood Blvd. Kansas City, MO, 64109	5pm-8pm every 1st Mon. of the month 5pm-9pm every 1st Tues. of the month 10am-4pm every 1st Sat. of the month 11am-4pm every 3rd Sat. of the month	
3050 Prospect Ave. Kansas City, MO, 64128	10am-8pm MonThurs.; 10 am-5pm FriSat.; 1pm-5pm Sun.	816-701-3482
4801 Main St. Kansas City, MO, 64112	9am-9pm MonFri.; 10am-6 pm Sat.; 1pm- 6pm Sun.	816-701-3481
6000 Wilson Road Kansas City, MO, 64123	9am-8pm MonThurs.; 9am-6pm Fri.; 10am- 5pm Sat.; 1pm-5pm Sun.	816-701-3485
6242 Swope Parkway Kansas City, MO, 64130	10am-7pm MonThurs.; 10am-5pm FriSat.; 1pm-5pm Sun.	816-701-3484
9253 Blue Ridge Blvd. Kansas City, MO, 64138	9am-9pm MonThurs.; 9am-6pm Fri.; 9am-5pm Sat.;	816-761-3382
10000 E 59th St. Raytown, MO 64133	8am-5pm MonFri.	816-737-6000
6131 Raytown Road Raytown, MO 64133	9am-6pm Fri.; 10am-6pm Sat.; 1pm- 5pm Sun.	816-353-2052
8800 E 63rd St., Ste. 260 Raytown, MO 64133	8am-4:30pm MonFri.	816-743-8730
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## Negro Leagues Baseball Museum Special License Plate

During the 2021 legislative session, lawmakers passed Senate Bill 189, which I was proud to sponsor. This legislation creates a special license plate for the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum. Anyone interested in supporting this Kansas City gem can apply for the license plate by following these steps:

1. Make a \$10 donation to the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum.

- Donations can be made directly to the museum or by sending the museum a check upon submitting your application. Be sure to get a receipt for your contribution.
- Complete the 1716 form to apply for the specialty license plate. This form can be found at dor.mo.gov/motor-vehicle/plates/personalized-specialty.html.
- When completing the form, select "other" and fill in that you are applying for the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum plate.
- Send your application, along with your \$10 museum donation (or the receipt for your donation), and your \$15 standard plate application fee to the museum at 1616 E. 18th St., KCMO 64108.

# CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

As of April 9, 2021, anyone age 5 and up is eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. Please contact your local pharmacy or health care provider for information on how best to receive one of the available vaccines. For more information about the vaccine in Missouri, please visit <u>covidvaccine.mo.gov</u>.

University Health is now providing Pfizer, Moderna and J & J booster shots for COVID-19. The CDC approved a booster shot for any adult who received their first two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine at least six months ago, or for any adult who received a single dose of the J & J vaccine at least two months ago. If you are eligible, you can schedule an appointment by calling 816-404-CARE or walk in to University Health (2211 Charlotte St., KCMO 64108) or University Health Lakewood Medical Center (7900 Lee's Summit Road, KCMO 64139). The COVID-19 vaccine is available for children ages 5-12 at these two locations as well. Patients may make an appointment with their child's provider at the Med/Ped's clinic at UHTMC or the Family Medicine Clinic at UHLMC. Additional vaccine information, including free transportation info, is available at <u>www.universityhealthkc.org/covid-19/covid-19-vaccine/</u>.

The Jackson County Health Department also has numerous vaccine and testing clinics available. For more information, please visit <u>jacohd.org</u>.

The Center for COVID Recovery is open to treat patients who experience long-term effects from the virus. For more information, visit <u>universityhealthkc.org/covid-19/center-for-covid-recovery</u>; please share this information with anyone who continues to struggle after a positive COVID-19 diagnosis.

Thank you for your vote of confidence to serve the people of the 9th District in the Missouri Senate. In an effort to keep you up-to-date with my legislation or other proposed measures, please feel free to visit my website at <u>senate.mo.gov/Washington</u>. I appreciate your active interest in your community and encourage your participation in the legislative process. Should you need assistance with state matters, please feel free to contact my office at (573) 751-3158.

<b>Senator</b>	Washington's S	Sponsored	Legislation	for 2022

<b>Bill Number</b>	Description	<u>Status</u>
Senate Bill 717	Authorizes a tax credit for urban farms located in a food desert	Voted Do Pass by Senate Economic Development Committee
Senate Bill 718	Designates the third week of September as "Historically Black College and University Week" in Missouri	Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed
Senate Bill 719	Authorizes a tax credit for the purchase of certain homes	Second Read and Referred to Senate Ways and Means Committee
Senate Bill 793	Creates provisions relating to expungement for certain marijuana offenses	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
<u>Senate Bill 794</u>	Modifies provisions relating to medical marijuana program participants in family court matters	Voted Do Pass by Senate Seniors, Families, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee
Senate Bill 795	Modifies provisions relating to law enforcement officer use of force	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
<u>Senate Bill 854</u>	Modifies provisions relating to reporting requirements of law enforcement agencies	Second Read and Referred to Senate Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee
Senate Bill 855	Establishes the "Cronkite New Voices Act" to protect the freedom of press in school-sponsored media	Second Read and Referred to Senate Education Committee
Senate Bill 856	Modifies provisions relating to the expungement of records	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
Senate Bill 896	Modifies provisions relating to probation and parole for certain offenders	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and

		Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
Senate Bill 897	Authorizes a sales tax exemption for feminine hygiene products	Second Read and Referred to Senate Ways and Means Committee
<u>Senate Bill 898</u>	Allows a museum property tax levy to be used for certain museums	Second Read and Referred to Senate Local Government and Elections Committee
Senate Bill 994	Creates new provisions prohibiting discrimination based on hairstyles	Formal Calendar for Senate Bills for Perfection
<u>Senate Bill 995</u>	Modifies provisions relating to parole eligibility	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> 1094	Modifies provisions relating to wrongful convictions	Voted Do Pass by Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> <u>1130</u>	Modifies provisions relating to earned compliance credits for probation	Voted Do Pass by Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> <u>1145</u>	Establishes the third full week in September as "Sickle Cell Awareness Week" in Missouri	Voted Do Pass by Senate Progress and Development Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> <u>1146</u>	Modifies provisions relating to organ donation	Voted Do Pass by Senate Progress and Development Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> <u>1147</u>	Requires the MO HealthNet Division to conduct an annual review of services available for enrollees with sickle cell disease	Voted Do Pass by Senate Health and Pensions Committee
Senate Bill 1172	Modifies provisions relating to sales tax revenues for certain transportation authorities	Second Read and Referred to Senate Local Government and Elections Committee
Senate Bill 1193	Modifies provisions relating to electric vehicle tax credits	Second Read and Referred to Senate Economic

		Development Committee
Senate Bill 1194	Modifies provisions relating to voter registration	Second Read and Referred to Senate Local Government and Elections Committee
Senate Bill 1195	Modifies provisions relating to the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development	Second Read and Referred to Senate Education Committee
Senate Bill 1196	Modifies provisions relating to a tax credit for providing services to homeless persons	Second Read and Referred to Senate Economic Development Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> 1205	Modifies provisions relating to the certification of juveniles for trial as an adult	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
<u>Senate Bill</u> 1230	Modifies provisions relating to expungement of criminal records	Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
Senate Concurrent Resolution 35	Establishes the third full week in September as "Sickle Cell Awareness Week"	Voted Do Pass by House Rules – Administrative Oversight Committee
Senate Joint Resolution 42	Places limits on increases of the assessment of certain properties	Second Read and Referred to Senate Ways and Means Committee
Senate Joint Resolution 43	Places limits on increases of the assessment of certain properties	Second Read and Referred to Senate Ways and Means Committee