



Senator Barbara Anne Washington's Legislative Column for July 4, 2024

Greetings, Jackson County. I hope everyone is staying cool and gearing up for the holiday weekend. Whether you're heading to Kauffman to cheer on the Royals, grilling burgers with friends, attending one of the area's fireworks displays or hanging out by your favorite body of water, I wish each of you a safe, happy and enjoyable 4th of July!

Kansas City Chiefs fans in central Missouri lined up for hours on June 27 to admire and have a picture taken with the Lombardi trophies from the team's back-to-back Super Bowls. Multiple families with small children attended, sporting number 15 jerseys and other "Red Kingdom" apparel. I'm hopeful we will see another tour next year featuring three of these coveted beauties!



On June 29, I joined my sisters from Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. in hosting "Small Business Saturday" in conjunction with "AKA Black Dollar Days." Experts from three state departments, Economic Development, Revenue, and Higher Education and Workforce Development, participated in a panel discussion and discussed ways small businesses can receive support from state government. Attendees enjoyed food trucks and prizes, while more than 45 minority-owned businesses and Black entrepreneurs showcased their products and services. Thanks to everyone who attended the expo and helped coordinate the successful event.



Senator Washington speaks during the panel discussion and businesses showcase their wares at “Small Business Saturday.”

Make Your Voice Count – Register to Vote

The deadline to register to vote in Missouri’s Primary Election on Aug. 6 is Wednesday, July 10. Please visit sos.mo.gov to register, find information on candidates and make sure your information is up-to-date.

Join Me in Kansas City!

Several information-packed, free events will be taking place in our community in the coming weeks, including my “Legislative Review Town Hall” on July 10, “Public Health and Safety Fair” on July 13 and “Brunch with Bebe’s Sisters” on July 20. Please share these images on your social platforms and plan on joining me there!

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW TOWN HALL

Wednesday, July 10, 2024 • 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Mid-Continent Public Library • Raytown Branch
Community Room
6131 Raytown Road, Raytown, MO 64133

Hosted by:

Sen. Barbara Anne Washington with Rep. Jerome Barnes



Come learn about the legislation passed during the 2024 legislative session and share your thoughts.

RSVP TODAY!



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Calling all families! You are invited to attend my [Public Health and Safety Fair](#) on July 13 at the Kansas City Urban Youth Academy from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. In addition to health screenings and immunizations, attendees will have access to important preventive health services, safety resources and great giveaways. There will literally be something for kids of all ages!

Public Health & Safety Fair

Saturday, July 13, 2024 • 10 am - 2 pm
 Kansas City Urban Youth Academy • 1622 East 17th Terrace, KCMO

- Health Screenings
- Immunizations
- Bicycle Giveaways
- Smoke Detectors
- Car/Booster Seats*

Brought to you by Senator Barbara Anne Washington and these partners:

***FOR FREE CAR AND BOOSTER SEATS** - Individuals must meet the 185% federal poverty level income requirement. Acceptable documentation includes a Temporary Assistance for Needy Families or SNAP letter, MO HealthNet card, Social Security letter, pay stubs or unemployment determination letter.

Free Resource Exhibit Space Available • Register at senate.mo.gov/Washington

The “11th Annual Minority Mental Health Awareness Event: Brunch with Bebe’s Sisters” is on July 20. Please join me for a panel discussion to empower men and reduce the stigma of mental health in our community.

SENATOR BARBARA ANNE WASHINGTON PRESENTS:

11TH ANNUAL MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT

"Brunch With Bebe's Sisters"

JULY 20, 2024, 9:30 A.M.

MCC-PENN VALLEY EDUCATION CENTER

3201 SW TRAFFICWAY, KANSAS CITY, MO 64111

FEATURING PANEL DISCUSSIONS:

***EMPOWERING MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH**

***ATTACKING THE STIGMA
OF MENTAL HEALTH**



JOE PALM

Regional Director, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)



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Senator Washington's Sponsored Legislation for 2024

Bill Number	Description	Status
<u>Senate Bill 793</u>	Authorizes a sales tax exemption for feminine hygiene products.	Referred to Economic Development
<u>Senate Bill 794</u>	Authorizes a tax credit for providing services to homeless persons.	Hearing conducted 4/4
<u>Senate Bill 795</u>	Authorizes a tax credit for providing housing to victims of domestic violence.	Passed out of committee 2/28
<u>Senate Bill 886</u>	Permits restitution payments for the innocent who were wrongfully convicted.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 887</u>	Raises the age from 12 to 14 to certify juveniles for trial as adults.	Combined with SB 754, truly agreed and finally passed on May 17
<u>Senate Bill 888</u>	Modifies the Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review Board	Combined with SB 1357 and passed out of committee
<u>Senate Bill 968</u>	Permits family court participants to possess and use legal marijuana.	Referred to Health and Welfare

<u>Senate Bill 969</u>	Missouri Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair (CROWN) Act to prohibit hair-based discrimination in state-funded educational institutions.	Placed on formal calendar for perfection.
<u>Senate Bill 970</u>	Authorizes a tax credit for first-time homebuyers' purchase of eligible, blighted property.	Referred to Economic Development
<u>Senate Bill 1042</u>	Creates a "Text-to-Donate" pilot program in St. Louis and Kansas City to help reduce homelessness.	Referred to Governmental Accountability
<u>Senate Bill 1043</u>	Creates a two-year pilot program for incarcerated women to have access to their children.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1044</u>	Creates the offense of unlawful possession of a firearm for minors to carry a handgun.	Referred to Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety
<u>Senate Bill 1099</u>	Establishes the "Cronkite New Voices Act" to protect freedom of press for student journalists.	Placed on informal calendar for perfection
<u>Senate Bill 1100</u>	Restricts the manufacturing and possession of assault weapons and large capacity magazines.	Referred to Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety
<u>Senate Bill 1101</u>	Prohibits carrying concealed firearms in public libraries.	Referred to Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety
<u>Senate Bill 1150</u>	Creates and modifies reporting requirements for law enforcement agencies.	Referred to Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety
<u>Senate Bill 1151</u>	Modifies provisions relating to use of force by law enforcement officers.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1152</u>	Modifies provisions relating to criminal records.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1194</u>	Creates provisions relating to expungement of criminal records.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1195</u>	Modifies provisions relating to earned discharge from probation.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1196</u>	Creates new provisions relating to state contracts for minority and women's business enterprises.	Referred to Governmental Accountability
<u>Senate Bill 1216</u>	Creates a DWI diversion program.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1217</u>	Modifies provisions relating to the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development.	Referred to Empowering

		Missouri Parents and Students
<u>Senate Bill 1218</u>	Creates provisions relating to parole eligibility for senior citizens who have served 30 years.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1227</u>	Modifies provisions relating to terms of probation.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1228</u>	Authorizes a tax credit for the purchase of electric vehicles.	Referred to Economic Development
<u>Senate Bill 1229</u>	Raises the age for juveniles to be certified for trial as adults.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1235</u>	Modifies provisions relating to offenses against employees of election authorities.	Referred to Local Government and Elections
<u>Senate Bill 1236</u>	Modifies provisions relating to legal representation for certain court proceedings involving children.	Referred to Health and Welfare
<u>Senate Bill 1237</u>	Modifies provisions relating to the offense of filing false documents.	Referred to Judiciary
<u>Senate Bill 1238</u>	Enacts provisions relating to health insurance coverage of maternity services.	Referred to Insurance and Banking
<u>Senate Bill 1239</u>	Establishes standards for demographic collection by certain entities.	Referred to Health and Welfare
<u>Senate Bill 1240</u>	Creates a health advocate program in the Department of Health and Senior Services.	Referred to Health and Welfare
<u>Senate Bill 1241</u>	Enacts provisions relating to motor vehicle sales tax payment plans.	Referred to Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety
<u>Senate Bill 1242</u>	Modifies provisions relating to tax increment financing.	Hearing conducted 2/26
<u>Senate Bill 1243</u>	Modifies provisions relating to voter registration.	Referred to Local Government and Elections
<u>Senate Bill 1380</u>	Modifies provisions relating to tax credits for improving access to foods, including urban farms and grocery stores.	Referred to Economic Development
<u>Senate Bill 1381</u>	Designates “Fallen Firefighters Memorial Bridge” in Kansas City.	Passed out of committee on 4/25
<u>Senate Bill 1382</u>	Modifies provisions relating to community paramedics	Passed out of committee on 4/11
<u>Senate Bill 1417</u>	Designates every Feb. 20 as John Donaldson Day in Missouri	Added to SB 964 and passed Senate on 4/11

<u>Senate Bill 1425</u>	Includes Class EA-esthetics and manicuring as a new classification of licensure for cosmetologists.	Referred to Governmental Accountability
<u>Senate Bill 1490</u>	Establishes May 8 as “Amyloidosis Awareness Day”	Added to SB 964 and passed by Senate on 4/11
<u>Senate Bill 1507</u>	Creates new provisions relating to digital assets.	Referred to Banking and Insurance
<u>Senate Bill 1511</u>	Modifies provisions relating to the collection of delinquent property taxes.	Referred to Emerging Issues
<u>Senate Concurrent Resolution 33</u>	Designates Feb. 20 as John Donaldson Day	Referred to Rules, Joint Rules and Resolutions, added to SB 964
<u>Senate Joint Resolution 65</u>	Places limits on increases of the assessment of certain properties.	Referred to General Laws
<u>Senate Joint Resolution 66</u>	Authorizes a tax exemption for certain senior citizens.	Referred to General Laws
<u>Senate Joint Resolution 88</u>	Modifies the statutes of limitations for civil actions based on certain sexual offenses.	Hearing conducted 4/15

It is an honor representing the great people of Jackson County’s 9th Senatorial District. If you need assistance navigating state government or understanding the legislative process, please contact me by calling 573-751-3158 or emailing Barbara.Washington@senate.mo.gov. My team is here for you!