


LEGISLATIVE REPORT



APWA KC Metro 2024 MO Session Report- Week 13 April 5, 2024

This was a short legislative week because the General Assembly did not meet on Monday due to the Easter holiday. The House spent a majority of floor time Perfecting and then Third Reading the seventeen budget bills, sending them to the Senate on Thursday. This will put some pressure on the Senate Appropriations Committee to finalize the Senate's version of the bills and conduct conference committee meetings with the House to finalize the budget by the constitutional deadline of May 10.

Transportation

HB 2072 creates the "Motor Fuel Tax Fund of 2021" that alters the revenue collection and distribution process derived from the law enacted by SB 262. The bill has been approved by the House Transportation Accountability Committee.

HB 2568 changes the way in which members of the State Highways and Transportation Commission are selected. The bill has been approved by the House Transportation Accountability Committee.

Two proposed constitutional amendments were defeated by the House Transportation Accountability Committee. Both HJR 127 and HJR 128, upon voter approval, would require that the State Road Fund be subject to appropriation by the General Assembly, rather than standing appropriated without legislative action. Additionally, the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan must be used to establish priorities for project and program funding for the Department of Transportation.

Relocation of Telecommunications Infrastructure

HB 2056 requires municipalities and the Missouri Department of Transportation to reimburse non rate regulated utility providers, including telecommunications, Internet, and cable providers, for facility relocation due to road maintenance or construction. This has been approved by the House committee while the Senate version, SB 1018, was recently heard by the Senate Commerce Committee on March 26.

Key Upcoming Dates:

- May 10, 2024- Last Day to Constitutionally pass the FY 2025 Budget
- May 17, 2024 - Last day of Legislative Session

Solid Waste Disposal

HB 1751 changes the required distance from the adjoining municipality related to permit for the operation of a solid waste disposal area. The bill has Third Read in the House and Second Read and referred to the Senate Local Government Committee in the Senate.

Hazardous Waste Investigations

HB 1673 deals with the Radioactive Waste Investigation Fund to investigate concerns of waste exposure submitted by a local governing body. This bill allows the Department to determine sites for investigation based on criteria specified in the bill. The bill has been approved by the House Conservation and Natural Resources Committee.

Sewage Disposal

HB 2083 could see a debate on the House floor. Currently, a state standard for the location, size of sewage tanks, and length of lateral lines is based partially on the percolation or permeability rate of the soil, as well as other specified factors. This bill modifies this provision to state that the standard is based partially on soil properties and repeals a provision allowing contractors to be taught and perform percolation tests.

Clean Water Law

HB 2134 and HB1956 specifies that land application of industrial wastewater, industrial wastewater sludge, and related process wastes must be subject to a nutrient management technical standard established by rule by the Department of Natural Resources. The bill authorizes the Missouri Clean Water Commission to exempt any entity from the requirement to obtain any water pollution permit based on licensure under the Missouri Fertilizer law, only if the entity is producing products that are commercially sold to an end user and has accurate labeling for each container that includes certain information. The bill has Third Read in the House with a hearing conducted by the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Missouri Emergency Response Commission

The Senate Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee convened to discuss SB 1356. Under current law, fees collected and paid to the Missouri Emergency Response Commission shall be collected until August 28, 2024. This act repeals such sunset provision. The MO Petroleum and Convenience Association, Fireservice Alliance, MO Ambulance Association, Boone County Fire Protection District and State Emergency Management provided supporting testimony. No opposing testimony was presented to the committee and no action was taken by the committee.

Filed Bills of Interest:

APWA-General

<https://govwatch.net/report/ZLr96KRqeE>

APWA-Emergency Responders

<https://govwatch.net/report/2abBP0wrwv>

APWA-Water

<https://govwatch.net/report/ZebQGPBr6X>

APWA-Transportation

<https://govwatch.net/report/59bxGBkqON>

APWA-Workforce Development

<https://govwatch.net/report/EeqO4OpbDX>

Upcoming Hearings of Interest:

04/09/2024 9:30 AM [Senate-Commerce, Consumer Protection, Energy, and the Environment Committee Hearing](#), Senate Lounge

Public Hearing (2):

[SB1466](#) Sen. Nick Schroer (R) Creates provisions relating to land clearance for redevelopment authorities

04/11/2024 8:30 AM [House-Crime Prevention and Public Safety Committee Hearing](#), HR 7

MEETING TIME: 8:30 AM or upon adjournment (whichever is later)

Public Hearing (1):

[HJR134](#) Rep. Jamie Burger (R) Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to first responders

Chamber Floor Calendars

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