

Poor Leadership, Powerful Lobbyist, and the Death of Good Legislation

Currently, a stranglehold on good legislation is playing out in the Missouri House and Senate.

What you may not be aware of, and what your freshman representative may not have been aware of, is the power of lobbyists and the centralized power of House and Senate Leadership.



We're not really sure when this happened, but it is occurring nonetheless, The Speaker of the House has centralized CONTROL in the House. He kills good legislation. He decides what legislation is heard on the floor, what legislation goes to what committee, and who serves on which committee. For example: SB100. Senator Eigel's bill that would return a gold and silver standard to Missouri, which is very needed. House Speaker Dean Plocher refuses to put Senator Eigel's bill on the calendar to be heard on the House Floor. https://senate.mo.gov/23info/BTS_Web/BillText.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44521

Senator Mike Moon's SB 49 <https://senate.mo.gov/23info/pdf-bill/perf/SB49.pdf>, The SAFE Act to prevent our Missouri's most vulnerable children from being mutilated by the transgender Medical Industrial Complex (Washington University) is another example of one man circumventing the will of the people. Plocher will not put it on the House calendar.

Representative Bill Hardwick 's SINGLE ITEM bill regarding Protecting Missouri's school children from a school district demanding that they have the UNTESTED MRNA injections in order to attend school is an example of good legislation being stopped by bad leadership. It is a simple, one page bill that PROTECTS Missouri's school children from being THE EXPERIMENT... Hardwick was promised all that his bill would be brought to the floor. Only by the brave action of 20 conservative representatives was the bill even heard. They tacked it on as an amendment to another medical bill. It's headed now to the Senate, attached to a very poor education bill.

And then? You have Bishop Davidson. WHO tacked on a 14, now 15-page amendment to the school omnibus bill which will possibly allow the CDC and Planned Parenthood access into public schools. 15 pages. Do you think legislators in the last week of session have time to read 15 pages? The screenshots below show you all the amendments tacked onto a single bill just last week! We call this a Christmas Tree bill, and it is ornament season! Is this what you call good leadership? Good legislation? Do you know why this is happening? Because the lobbyists are in control. The lobbyists, mainly big Pharma with big money in the medical community, make huge donations to campaigns, the campaigns that they think will be in leadership with promises, probably of more money to come. To whet the appetite of those power-hungry legislators? To advance their political career. Therefore, honest and true legislators that go to Jefferson City to represent the needs and wishes of the impotent, the rights of Missouri citizens are never heard. Because the lobbyists make sure that who they want is in leadership and the votes of those that they need on committees are also heard, but not those truly representing the people!

Look at all the grasping last week. all these bills were tacked on as amendments to ONE BILL because Plocher/Patterson Leadership refused to allow them to be heard on the House of Representatives floor.

House Amendments for SB199				
Status	Amendment	Sponsor	Floor Number	Roll Call
✓	0841S04.13H	Davidson	HA 1	
●	0841S04.14H	Peters		
✓	0841S04.15H	Davidson	HA 2, A.A.	
●	0841S04.17H	Barnes		
●	0841S04.18H	Barnes		
✓	0841S04.20H	Shields	HA 1 HA 2	
●	0841S04.21H	Riley		
●	0841S04.22H	O'Donnell		
✓	0841S04.27H	Hardwick	HA 2 HA 2	

✓	0841S04.27H	Hardwick	HA 2 HA 2	
●	0841S04.28H	Baker		
●	0841S04.29H	Bangert		
●	0841S04.30H	Gregory		
●	0841S04.31H	Murphy		
●	0841S04.32H	Lewis (006)		

You know, the House of Representatives that YOU elected in our Republic to be your voice. This is what they do every May in order to get ANYTHING across the finish line. Even though it is unconstitutional!

Missouri Constitution Article III - Legislative Department Section 23 Limitation of scope of bills—contents of titles —exceptions.

Universal Citation: MO Const art III § 23

No bill shall contain more than one subject which shall be clearly expressed in its title, except bills enacted under the third exception in section 37 of this article and general appropriation bills, which may embrace the various subjects and accounts for which moneys are appropriated.

Source: Const. of 1875, Art. III, Sec. 28.

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LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Section 21. Style of laws—bills—limitation on amendments—power of each house to originate and amend bills—reading of bills.—The style of the laws of this state shall be: “Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows.” No law shall be passed except by bill, and no bill shall be so amended in its passage through either house as to change its original purpose. Bills may originate in

One of our grassroots leaders witnessed an egregious but common occurrence this year. At 10:00 PM at night. 10 to 15 lobbyists were lined up outside the door to go and speak at one of the House hearings. Do you know any hard-working Missouri citizens that can spend a day going to Jefferson City and wait until 10:00 PM to be heard? No, because the legislators are supposed to be there for us. We're not advocating getting rid of lobbyists. We just want to rip the Band-Aid off and let you know what's really going on; that the lobbyists and the leadership are stopping good legislation from passing. We the people need to fix this.

Your call to action right now;

1. Call and email your Senator and House Rep and demand that only Single item bills pass.
2. Call and email your REPRESENTATIVE and respectfully demand a rules change for 2024.
3. Call and email your Senator and tell them you expect them to support the Constitution not lobbyists.

This is HOW we are losing our country. God only knows what is in the pages of all they stuff being rammed thru.