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LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY NEWSLETTER

Greetings, MASL Membership! Please find the below updated information regarding bill's that MASL is tracking for the 2023 Legislative Session. Please reach out to any Legislative Advocacy Committee member or the MASL office if you have any questions or would like further information. The 2023 Legislative Session will conclude in mid-May.

Last week saw the House pass numerous bills and the Senate get mired in debate over a few controversial bills. The Senate will begin reviewing the Budget bills this week, as the budget is constitutionally required to be passed by May 5. Each chamber is beginning to hear and debate bills from the other chamber

The legislature is off today but will reconvene on Tuesday, with five weeks remaining in the session.

BILL TRACKING LISTS:

Hot List: Please note that additional information on each of these proposals may be viewed by [clicking here](#).

- HB 12: Appropriation Bill (*referred to Senate Committee on Appropriations 04/06/2023*)
- HB492: Establishes the Media Literacy and Critical Thinking Act (*scheduled for House Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education for 04/12/2023 at 8:00 a.m.*)
- HB627: Establishes the Parents' Bill of Rights (*referred to House Committee on Rules-Regulatory Oversight 04/05/2023*)
- HB809: Requires the department of elementary and secondary education to develop a curriculum on personal finance to be used by school districts (*reported to the Senate and read first time 04/04/2023*)
- HB 986: Modifies provisions relating to the powers of libraries (*reported to the Senate and read first time 04/03/2023*)
- SB 4: Modifies provisions regarding transparency in public schools and creates the Parents' Bill of Rights Act of 2023 (*scheduled for House Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education for 04/12/2023 at 8:00 a.m.*)
- SB 5: Allows the enrollment of nonresident students in public school districts (*placed on informal calendar 02/06/2023*)
- SB 89: Creates the Missouri Education Transparency and Accountability Portal and the Parents' Bill of Rights Act of 2023 (*superseded by SB 4 01/24/2023*)
- SB 678: Establishes the "Media Literacy and Critical Thinking" pilot program requiring DESE to select 5-7 school districts to address the components of media literacy during the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years (*referred to Senate Committee on Education and Workforce Development 04/06/2023*)

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