

# The **Association** report

## from the **Capitol**

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Officially it's the Second Regular Session of the 99<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Missouri. We more routinely know it as the 2018 Legislative Session. It started about two weeks ago (January 3) and already more than 1,300 house and senate bills have been introduced.

Among the hundreds of legislative proposals are bills dealing with transportation funding and several which could affect state employees. Some of the bills we'll be following during this 5-month session include;

- [HJR 74](#) – provides for construction and operation of toll roads in Missouri.
- [HB 2091](#) – would increase the motor fuel tax by 10-cents a gallon beginning January 1, 2019.
- [HB 1981](#) – deals with state employees who work four 10-hour days and 40 hours a week.
- [HB 1413](#) – would create unnecessary, labor-intensive requirements for voluntary public employee associations such as ours. A hearing for this bill is scheduled for Wednesday (January 17) in the House Economic Development Committee. A bill with similar content passed the house last year but died in the senate.

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