
DISTRICT
14 **ASHLEY AUNE**
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

CAPITOL REPORT

October 17, 2023



I recently had an opportunity to tour Weston Bend State Park here in Platte County!

Hello All,

I hope this email finds you well and that you're enjoying this beautiful fall weather! Two weeks ago, I toured [Weston Bend State Park](#), and I can't think of a better place to enjoy the autumn colors right now. I highly suggest you check it out for some gorgeous fall hikes!

I'm keeping this week's email short and sweet, but as always, thanks for checking in. Please don't hesitate to reach out if there's anything I can do for you.

Take Care,

Representative Ashley Aune
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Legislative Updates

BAILEY CLAIMS VACATED CASE STILL IN EFFECT, CAN'T BE APPEALED

Republican Attorney General Andrew Bailey argued in an Oct. 10 legal filing that even though the Missouri Supreme Court vacated a trial judge's decision striking down two state emergency management regulations, the invalidated decision somehow remains in effect and now can't be appealed since the original plaintiffs have voluntarily dismissed the case. As of Oct. 12, the other parties in the case hadn't yet responded to Bailey's audacious claim.

Several opponents to state and local restrictions during the COVID-19 pandemic had challenged the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services regulations and won a favorable ruling from Cole County Circuit Judge Dan Green in November 2021. Although the department wanted to appeal, their attorney – then-Attorney General Eric Schmitt – refused and instead used the case to try to browbeat local governments and school districts into ending all disease mitigation efforts, including those based on other legal authority not challenged in the case. That prompted a long legal battle as Jackson and St. Louis counties sought to intervene for the purpose of appealing Green's ruling.

Bailey's latest maneuvering likely means there will be more months of legal wrangling in the case, *Shannon Robinson, et al., v. Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, et al.*

NET REVENUE COLLECTIONS DOWN 2.9 PERCENT SO FAR IN FY 2024

Net state general revenue collections for the first quarter of the 2024 fiscal year decreased 2.9 percent compared to the same period in FY 2023, going from \$3.24 billion last year to \$3.14 billion this year. Collections had been down 2 percent through the first two months of FY 2024.

Net general revenue collections in September 2023 decreased 4.2 percent compared to September 2022, going from \$1.26 billion last year to \$1.21 billion this year. Even though sales taxes collections increased 15.4 percent compared to last September, declines of nearly 9 percent in both individual and corporate income taxes drove the drop in overall revenue collections for the month.

Internship Opportunity

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

MISSOURI CAPITOL

Minority Whip Ashley Aune's office will have an internship available for the 2024 Legislative Session. Students enrolled in secondary and post-secondary education institutions may receive credit for their experience. No specific major is required. This is a non-paid position.

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The internship will begin the week of Jan. 3, 2024, the first day of the Legislative Session, and end in May.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Current undergraduate or graduate students

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Draft bill briefs
- Track legislation
- Research state laws
- Attend committee hearings



Do you know a college student interested in state politics? My office is opening up applications for an internship at the state Capitol for the 2024 Legislative Session. Prospective interns will learn more about the Missouri legislative process, develop valuable leadership skills and have opportunities to meet with elected officials.

LOCATION

- The office location for the internship will be in the Missouri House of Representatives in Jefferson City, 65101
- Remote work may be an option

- Flexible working hours are from 9 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday. Between 10 to 16 hours per week

HOW TO APPLY

- Any interested applicants may send their resumes and any questions to ashley.aune@house.mo.gov by Nov. 11
- Interviews will be conducted starting Nov. 27
- Final decisions will be made by Dec. 4.

Community Events



PRACTICAL PRESERVATION: SIMPLE, SENSIBLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD FAMILY HEIRLOOMS

Saving family heirlooms isn't rocket science, but knowing the right techniques can save them from disaster. Join local historian David W. Jackson to learn simple steps to protect historic documents, photographs, and books. Attendees are encouraged to bring items with specific questions.

- Sat, Oct 28 2023
- 3:00pm - 4:00pm
- [Green Hills Community Room 1 and 2](#)

Age Group

For adults

Health and Wellness



Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions

Living with a chronic condition such as diabetes, arthritis, heart disease, pain or anxiety can be a daily challenge. But it doesn't have to be. Sign up today!

Attend a FREE 6-week workshop and discover how to:

-  Make healthy food choices.
-  Increase physical activity and exercise safely.
-  Cope with pain and fatigue.
-  Communicate effectively with your health team.
-  Develop action plans to improve your health and wellbeing.

This course is also great for caregivers!

When:

9:30 am to 12 pm

Fridays

Oct. 27, 2023 – Dec. 8, 2023

Where:

Platte County Health Dept.
7925 NW 110th St
Kansas City, MO 64153

To register:

Denise Sullivan

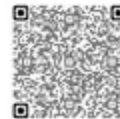
sullivanand@missouri.edu

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Or register online using link or scanning QR code:

<https://forms.office.com/r/9xQ2RJBr5g>



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PLATTE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Upcoming six-week free course on living with chronic conditions. Classes start soon.

Register here: forms.office.com/r/9xQ2RJBr5g

Resources

CONSTITUENT SERVICES

- [Apply for Medicaid](#)
- [Unclaimed Property](#)
- [IRS Free File: Do your Taxes for Free](#)
- [Missouri Housing Resources](#)
- [Report a Road Concern](#)

HEALTH SERVICES

- [988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline](#)
- [Trans Lifeline](#)
- [The Eldercare Locator](#)
- [Opioid Treatment Program Directory](#)
- [Place Your Order for Free At-Home COVID-19 Tests](#)

FOOD PANTRIES

- [Northland Assistance Center](#)
- [St. James Lutheran Church](#)

WEATHER SHELTERS

- [Cooling Centers](#)
- [Crisis Cold Weather Shelters](#)

PLATTE COUNTY LIBRARIES

- [Green Hills Library Center](#)
- [Parkville](#)
- [Riverside](#)

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