

Freedom Principle MO Disappointed Missouri Senate Put Special Interests Over Fiscal Responsibility

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The Freedom Principle MO is disappointed by the Missouri Senate voting against the proposed rule change proposed by Senator Bill Eigel (Dist. 23) to require a 48-hour or 24-hour waiting period before voting on a bill that adds one or more sections of the original bill. "We are very disappointed in the Senate," said Byron Keelin, President of the Freedom Principle MO. "Missourians are tired of these large spending bills. We thank Senator Eigel and the other Republican senators who voted to try and bring fiscal accountability to the Senate."

Senator Eigel (Dist. 23) offered two resolutions, one calling for a 48-hour waiting period and another calling for a 24-hour waiting period before voting on so-called Omnibus bills. "Omnibus bills are the product of the special interest controlling Jefferson City," said Keelin. "We are tired of the Nancy Pelosi style tactics of having a vote for the bill before people understand what's in it." Both resolutions failed on a 7-23 vote.

The seven senators who voted for the resolutions were Senator Rick Brattin (Dist. 31), Senator Ben Brown (Dist. 26), Senator Jill Cater (Dist. 32), Senator Bill Eigel (Dist. 23), Senator Denny Hoskins (Dist. 21), Senator Mike Moon (Dist. 29), and Senator Nick Schroer (Dist. 2). Many of these senators are part of the newly formed Missouri Freedom Caucus. "We applaud the senators and members of the Missouri Freedom Caucus for trying to restore fiscal responsibility to the Senate."

During the debate, one senator admitted he doesn't read the bills, he only reads the summaries. "Voting on these bills is the single most important task they have. We view this as a dereliction of their responsibility to the people who elected them," said Keelin. "What they vote on not only impacts our pocketbooks, but these bills impact our rights and freedoms. By not taking the time to read these large spending bills, they are giving control to the special interest groups lurking outside the Senate chamber."

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