

# What did we achieve together during the 2019 legislative session?

Session Report now available on our website at mocatholic. org. This report shows the final status of all the bills the MCC took a position on during the 2019 Missouri legislative session. Bills reported as "Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed," have been approved by the Missouri General Assembly and await action by the governor. The governor has until July 14, 2019 to sign or veto bills.

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The 2019 legislative session wrapped up on May 17, 2019. Several pieces of important legislation were passed during the 2019 legislative session, including substantial pro-life and corrections bills. On the last day of session, the legislature passed HB 126. the "Missouri Stands for the Unborn Act," which was sponsored by Rep. Nick Schroer (R-O'Fallon). The MCC supported the passage of this bill throughout the 2019 legislative session, and applauded the General Assembly for its passage. The bill represents a huge victory for the Missouri pro-life community, and with it, Missouri joins other states that are seeking to change

the narrative on abortion by passing laws that recognize and protect human life in the womb in the early stages of development. The MCC appreciates the hard work done by Missouri lawmakers to protect human life from the time a heartbeat is detected in the womb and beyond. The bill ensures custodial parents are notified when their minor children seek an abortion, provides that Missouri women seeking an abortion out-of-state are given the proper information they need to make an informed decision, and bans abortions sought solely because of race, gender, or a diagnosis of Down Syndrome.

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### 2019 MO Votes of Interest

#### **House Votes**

Vote 1 – House Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed to establish the "Missouri Stands for the Unborn Act". (SS SCS HB 126 House Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed)

#### **MCC Position:**

Support

Vote 2 – House Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed to prohibit imposition of fees for jail time and gives judges greater discretion in imposing sentences by limiting mandatory minimum sentencing requirements. (SS SCS HCS HB 192 House Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed)

#### **MCC Position:**

Support

#### **Voting Key:**

Y – Yes N – No AL – Absent with

Leave

A – Absent

A – Absent

P – Present

Dist.	Legislator	1	2
13	Rep. Vic Allred (R-Parkville)	Υ	Υ
131		Y	Y
1	Rep. Allen Andrews (R-Grant City)	Y	Y
71	Rep. LaDonna Appelbaum (D-St. Louis) Rep. Dottie Bailey (R-Eureka)	N	Y
	Rep. Ben Baker (R-Neosho)	Y	Y
69	Rep. Gretchen Bangert (D-Florissant)	N	Y
82	Rep. Donna Baringer (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
28	Rep. Jerome Barnes (D-Raytown)	N	Υ
47	Rep. Chuck Basye (R-Rocheport)	Υ	Υ
92	Rep. Doug Beck (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
	Rep. Hardy Billington (R-Poplar Bluff)	Υ	Y
137		Y	Y
7	Rep. Rusty Black (R-Chillicothe)	Y	Y
36	Rep. Ashley Bland Manlove (D-Kansas City) Rep. Jack Bondon (R-Belton)	N Y	Y
56 79	Rep. LaKeySha Bosley (D-St. Louis)	N	Y
	Rep. Bob Bromley (R-Carl Junction)	Y	N
70	Rep. Paula Brown (D-Hazelwood)	N	Υ
27	Rep. Richard Brown (D-Kansas City)	N	Y
19	Rep. Ingrid Burnett (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
93	Rep. Bob Bums (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
3	Rep. Danny Busick (R-Newton)	Υ	Υ
81	Rep. Steve Butz (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
15	Rep. Jon Carpenter (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
76	Rep. Chris Carter (D-St. Louis)	AL	Y
120	Rep. Maria Chappelle-Nadal (D-St. Louis)	N Y	AL
120		Y	Y
72	Rep. Doug Clemens (D-St. Ann)	N	Y
97	Rep. Mary Elizabeth Coleman (R-Amold)	Υ	Y
32	Rep. Jeff Coleman (R-Grain Valley)	Υ	Y
159	Rep. Dirk Deaton (R-Noel)	Υ	Υ
101	Rep. Bruce DeGroot (R-Chesterfield)	Υ	Υ
144	Rep. Chris Dinkins (R-Annapolis)	Υ	Υ
98	Rep. Shamed Dogan (R-Ballwin)	N	Υ
51	Rep. Dean Dohrman (R-La Monte)	Y	Y
17	Rep. J. Eggleston (R-Maysville)	Y	Y
17	Rep. Mark Ellebracht (D-Liberty) Rep. Brandon Ellington (D-Kansas City)	N	Y
	Rep. Karla Eslinger (R-Wasola)	Y	Y
	Rep. David Evans (R-West Plains)	Y	Y
10	Rep. Bill Falkner (R-St. Joseph)	Υ	Υ
136	Rep. Craig Fishel (R-Springfield)	Υ	Υ
49	Rep. Travis Fitzwater (R-Holts Summit)	Υ	Υ
145		Υ	AL
78	Rep. Bruce Franks (D-St. Louis)	N	Y
115		Y	Y
75 67	Rep. Alan Gray (D-Blackjack) Rep. Alan Green (D-Florissant)	N	AL Y
96	Rep. David Gregory (R-St. Louis)	Y	AL
	Rep. Derek Grier (R-Chesterfield)	Y	Υ
61	Rep. Aaron Griesheimer (R-Washington)	Υ	Υ
60	Rep. Dave Griffith (R-Jefferson City)	Υ	Υ
134	Rep. Elijah Haahr (R-Springfield)	Υ	Υ
43	Rep. Kent Haden (R-Mexico)	Υ	Υ
55	Rep. Mike Haffner (R-Pleasant Hill)	Υ	Υ
65	Rep. Tom Hannegan (R-St. Charles)	Y	Y
40	Rep. Jim Hansen (R-Frankford)	Y	Y
	Rep. Steve Helms (R-Springfield)	Y	Y
	Rep. Mike Henderson (R-Bonne Terre) Rep. Ron Hicks (R-Dardenne Prairie)	Y	Y
	Rep. Justin Hill (R-Lake St. Louis)	Y	Y
54	Rep. Dan Houx (R-Warrensburg)	Y	Y

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Dist. 146	Rep. Barry Hovis (R-Cape Girardeau)	1 Y	2 N
	Rep. Brad Hudson (R-Cape Fair)	Y	N
62	Rep. Tom Hurst (R-Meta)	Υ	N
35	Rep. Keri Ingle (D-Lee's Summit)	N	Υ
156	Rep. Jeffery Justus (R-Branson)	Υ	Υ
127	Rep. Ann Kelley (R-Lamar)	Υ	N
141	Rep. Hannah Kelly (R-Mountian Grove)	Υ	Υ
45	Rep. Kip Kendrick (D-Columbia)	N	Υ
20	Rep. Bill Kidd (R-Independence)	Υ	AL
129	Rep. Jeff Knight (R-Lebanon)	Υ	Υ
53	Rep. Glen Kolkmeyer (R-Odessa)	Υ	Υ
90	Rep. Deb Lavender (D-Kirkwood)	N	Υ
64	Rep. Tony Lovasco (R-O'Fallon)	Υ	Y
125	Rep. Warren Love (R-Osceola)	Y	Y
122	Rep. Steve Lynch (R-Waynesville)	Y	Y
87	Rep. Ian Mackey (D-St. Louis) Rep. Don Mayhew (R-Crocker)	N	Y
121 88	Rep. Tracy McCreery (D-St. Louis)	N	Y
150	Rep. Andrew McDaniel (R-Deering)	Y	Y
39	Rep. Peggy McGaugh (R-Carrolton)	Y	Y
118	Rep. Mike McGirl (R-Potosi)	Y	Y
80	Rep. Peter Merideth (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
130	Rep. Jeff Messenger (R-Republic)	AL	AL
124		Υ	AL
83	Rep. Gina Mitten (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
157	Rep. Mike Moon (R-Ash Grove)	Υ	N
24	Rep. Judy Morgan (D-Kansas City)	N	Y
140	Rep. Lynn Morris (R-Nixa)	Υ	Υ
151	Rep. Herman Morse (R-Dexter)	Υ	Υ
68	Rep. Jay Mosley (D-Florissant)	N	Υ
48	Rep. Dave Muntzel (R-Boonville)	Υ	Υ
94	Rep. Jim Murphy (R-St. Louis)	Y	Y
8 0F	Rep. Jim Neely (R-Cameron)	Y	AL Y
95 30	Rep. Michael O'Donnell (R-St. Louis)	Y	Y
33	Rep. Jonathan Patterson (R-Lee's Summit) Rep. Donna Pfautsch (R-Harrisonville)	Y	Y
66	Rep. Tommie Pierson Jr. (D-St. Louis)	N	Y
41	Rep. Randy Pietzman (R-Troy)	Υ	Y
	Rep. Patricia Pike (R-Adrian)	Υ	Υ
89	Rep. Dean Plocher (R-St. Louis)	Υ	Υ
143	Rep. Jeff Pogue (R-Salem)	Υ	N
52	Rep. Brad Pollitt (R-Sedalia)	Y	N
123	Rep. Suzie Pollock (R-Lebanon)	Υ	N
42	Rep. Jeff Porter (R-Montgomery City)	Υ	Υ
84	Rep. Wiley Price (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
73	Rep. Raychel Proudie (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
132	Rep. Crystal Quade (D-Springfield)	N	Y
25	Rep. Greg Razer (D-Kansas City)	N	Y
57	Rep. Rodger Reedy (R-Windsor)	Y	Y
148	Rep. Holly Rehder (R-Sikeston)	Y	Y
6 38	Rep. Tim Remole (R-Excello) Rep. Doug Richey (R-Excelsior Springs)	Y	Y
5	Rep. Louis Riggs (R-Hannibal)	Y	Y
161	Rep. Lane Roberts (R-Joplin)	Y	N
77	Rep. Steven Roberts (N-St. Louis)	N	Y
111	Rep. Shane Roden (R-Cedar Hill)	Υ	N
34	Rep. Rebecca Roeber (R-Lee's Summit)	AL	AL
18	Rep. Wes Rogers (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
149	Rep. Don Rone (R-Portageville)	AL	Υ
142	Rep. Robert Ross (R-Yukon)	Υ	Υ
29	Rep. Rory Rowland (D-Independence)	Р	Υ
37	Rep. Joe Runions (D-Grandview)	Υ	Υ
114		Υ	Υ
14	Rep. Matt Sain (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ

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21	Rep. Robert Sauls (D-Independence)	N	Υ
104	Rep. Adam Schnelting (R-St. Charles)	Y	Υ
107	Rep. Nick Schroer (R-O'Fallon)	Y	Υ
4	Rep. Greg Sharpe (R-Ewing)	Y	Υ
113	Rep. Dan Shaul (R-Imperial)	Y	Υ
153	Rep. Jeff Shawan (R-Poplar Bluff)	Y	Υ
11	Rep. Brenda Shields (R-Saint Joseph)	Y	Υ
16	Rep. Noel Shull (R-Kansas City)	AL	AL
109	Rep. John Simmons (R-Washington)	Y	Υ
163	Rep. Cody Smith (R-Carthage)	Y	Υ
9	Rep. Sheila Solon (R-Saint Joseph)	Y	Υ
106	Rep. Chrissy Sommer (R-St. Charles)	Y	Υ
63	Rep. Bryan Spencer (R-Wentzville)	Y	Υ
31	Rep. Dan Stacy (R-Blue Springs)	Y	Υ
128	Rep. Mike Stephens (R-Bolivar)	Y	Υ
46	Rep. Martha Stevens (D-Columbia)	N	Υ
147	Rep. Kathryn Swan (R-Cape Girardeau)	Y	Υ
119	Rep. Nate Tate (R-St. Clair)	Y	Y
139	Rep. Jered Taylor (R-Nixa)	Y	Υ
44	Rep. Cheri Toalson Reisch (R-Hallsville)	Y	Υ
133	Rep. Curtis Trent (R-Springfield)	Y	Υ
91	Rep. Sarah Unsicker (D-Shrewsbury)	N	Y
59	Rep. Rudy Veit (R-Wardsville)	Y	Y
112	Rep. Rob Vescovo (R-Amold)	Y	Υ
74	Rep. Cora Walker (D-Ferguson)	N	AL
50	Rep. Sara Walsh (R-Ashland)	Y	Y
23	Rep. Barbara Washington (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
103	Rep. John Wiemann (R-O'Fallon)	Y	Y
12	Rep. Kenneth Wilson (R-Smithville)	Y	Υ
85	Rep. Kevin Windham (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
58	Rep. David Wood (R-Versailles)	Y	Υ
116	Rep. Dale Wright (R-Farmington)	Y	Υ

36 Vacant

99 Vacant

158 Vacant



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#### **Senate Votes**

**Vote 1** – Senate Third Read and Passed to establish the "Missouri Stands for the Unborn Act". (SS SCS HB 126 Senate Third Read and Passed)

MCC Position: Support

**Vote 2** – Senate Third Read and Passed to prohibit imposition of fees for jail time and gives judges greater discretion in imposing sentences by limiting mandatory minimum sentencing requirements. (SS SCS HCS HB 192 Senate Third Read and Passed)

MCC Position: Support

Dist.	Legislator	1	2
17	Sen. Lauren Arthur (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
6	Sen. Mike Bernskoetter (R-Jefferson City)	Υ	Α
16	Sen. Justin Brown (R-Rolla)	Υ	Υ
20	Sen. Eric Burlison (R-Springfield)	Υ	Υ
8	Sen. Mike Cierpiot (R-Lee's Summit)	Υ	Υ
28	Sen. Sandy Crawford (R-Buffalo)	Υ	Υ
33	Sen. Mike Cunningham (R-Rogersville)	Υ	Υ
9	Sen. Shalonn Curls (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
23	Sen. Bill Eigel (R-St. Peters)	Y	Υ
31	Sen. Ed Emery (R-Harrisonville)	Υ	Y
12	Sen. Dan Hegeman (R-Cosby)	Υ	Υ
7	Sen. Jason Holsman (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
21	Sen. Denny Hoskins (R-Warrensburg)	Υ	Υ
30	Sen. Lincoln Hough (R-Springfield)	Υ	Υ
15	Sen. Andrew Koenig (R-Manchester)	Υ	Υ
25	Sen. Doug Libla (R-Poplar Bluff)	Y	Υ
34	Sen. Tony Luetkemeyer (R-Parkville)	Υ	Υ
4	Sen. Karla May (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
5	Sen. Jamilah Nasheed (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
18	Sen. Cindy O'Laughlin (R-Shelbina)	Υ	Υ
2	Sen. Bob Onder (R-Lake St. Louis)	Υ	Υ
10	Sen. Jeanie Riddle (R-Holts Summit)	Υ	Υ
11	Sen. John Rizzo (D-Kansas City)	N	Υ
3	Sen. Gary Romine (R-Farmington)	Υ	Υ
19	Sen. Caleb Rowden (R-Columbia)	Υ	Υ
29	Sen. David Sater (R-Cassville)	Υ	Υ
26	Sen. Dave Schatz (R-Sullivan)	Υ	Υ
24	Sen. Jill Schupp (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
1	Sen. Scott Sifton (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ
27	Sen. Wayne Wallingford (R-Cape Girardeau)	Υ	Υ
13	Sen. Gina Walsh (D-St. Louis)	N	AL
32	Sen. Bill White (R-Joplin)	Υ	Υ
22	Sen. Paul Wieland (R-Imperial)	Υ	Υ
14	Sen. Brian Williams (D-St. Louis)	N	Υ



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Lawmakers also passed HB 192, an important corrections reform bill that could impact thousands of lives. HB 192, sponsored by Rep. Bruce DeGroot (R-Chesterfield), ends the practice of imprisoning people who can't afford to pay the costs associated with a previous stay in jail, a practice particularly rampant in rural counties. Rep. DeGroot credited Tony Messenger of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch for bringing to light this vicious cycle that has left many indigent people trapped in debtor's prison schemes. Defendants, too poor to pay off jail debts, often lost jobs, cars, and houses in the process of trying to pay what they owed. In March, the Missouri Supreme Court ruled in a unanimous decision that courts cannot threaten defendants with additional jail time if a defendant fails to pay bills associated with a prior jail stay. HB 192 will codify the prohibition into law. The measure passed the House of Representatives and the Senate with near-unanimous approval. HB 192 also contains language that modifies criminal offenses that have minimum sentencing requirements. This language provides that minimum prison terms shall only apply to certain named offenses listed in the act, most involving violence or sexual assault. For all other crimes, judges would have the discretion to impose sentences whereby offenders would be eligible for parole, conditional release, or early release, rather than a statutorily-imposed jail sentence. Missouri's current minimum sentencing requirements increase the prison population, increase costs to the state, and can have a negative effect on recidivism. The Department of Corrections (DOC) estimates that this legislation could save the state \$5.8 million by Fiscal Year 2023. They further estimate that there will be a decrease in the state prison population of about 1,600 inmates by that time.

We send tremendous thanks to Governor Parson and Missouri legislators who worked hard to stand up for life and criminal justice reform this session amidst great opposition. Legislators received thousands of emails and phone calls from MOCAN members this session — we want to thank you for being an active MOCAN member and using your voice to inform your legislators about your convictions — we couldn't have made such a difference without you!