

**2012 Missouri Legislative Status Report**  
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**TOURISM**

**February 2, 2012**

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**BUDGET FY 2013**

Governor recommends \$13.4 million for Division of Tourism, same budget level as current fiscal year.

**STATUS:** Not introduced yet. Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee reviewed Division of Tourism budget January 31. Senate and House Economic Development Committees will hear a presentation on the Division of Tourism budget at 9 am February 23. House Appropriations Committee review of DED budget, including Tourism, scheduled for 2 pm Tuesday, February 7.

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**HB 1209 (Cox)**

Tax credit for qualified film production projects will expire December 31, 2012.

**STATUS:** Introduced

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**HB 1254 (Ruzicka)**

Establishes Agri-Tourism Promotion Act.

**COMMENT:** Current version opposed by trial attorneys' association.

**STATUS:** House Agriculture Committee, Public Hearing Held

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**HB 1310 (Brattin)**

Exempts fuel used in watercraft from state motor fuel tax.

**STATUS:** Introduced

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**HB 1552 (Cookson)**

Changes Carter County guest tax.

**STATUS:** Introduced

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**HCS HB 1370 (Burlison)**

Tax credit to attract sporting events.

**STATUS:** House Economic Development Committee, Approved; In House Rules Committee

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**HB 1612 (Burlison)**

Procedure to reset billboards during highway construction.

**STATUS:** Introduced

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**HCR 13 (Loehner)**

Supports the use of unbiased, scientific research and data regarding the management practices for rivers and streams.

**STATUS:** House Tourism Committee, Approved; In House Rules Committee

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**SB 465 (Schaaf)**

Establishes Buchanan County cultural and entertainment district.

**STATUS:** Senate Financial and Governmental Organization Committee, Approved

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**SCS SB 588 and 585 (Schmitt)**

Creates a tax credit to attract sporting events to the state.

**STATUS:** Senate Jobs and Economic Development Committee, Approved

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**SB 607 (Stouffer)**

Changes in billboard regulation during highway construction.

**STATUS:** Senate Transportation Committee, Public Hearing Held

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