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Dear Teachers,

One of the things our office enjoys the most is when you bring students to the capitol. I love seeing them experience the capitol for the first time, it always reminds me of my first visit when I was in 4th grade...and that takes a pretty good memory.

I wanted to take a few minutes and let you know of some options there are when coming to the capitol, and what we can do to make your trips as memorable for the children as possible.

Of course the sooner we can know when you are coming, the better. That will give us more time to arrange other activities you might be interested in. Things like touring the Governor's Mansion, Scholastic, and the Conservation Center...all of these things fill up very fast and the sooner we can get your name on the list the more likely we can get your group in. In the months we are in session (*January thru May*), many activities are booked up well over 90 days in advance. My Legislative Assistant, Angie, will be happy to make these arrangements for you and knowing as soon as possible will help get the activity you want, in the time slot that works best for you.

Another thing to consider is what time of year you want to visit the capitol. There are always pros and cons to anytime. January thru the middle of May we are in session Monday afternoon until Thursday afternoon (*sometimes adjourning as early as noon on Thursday*). If you wish to visit during these months you will most likely get to see the House in session and possibly be introduced from the House Floor by me. It is also a great chance for the kids to see the everyday activities and "energy" of the capitol. The down side of that time of year is often Angie I are very limited on the amount of time we can spend with the group because of day-to-day business, committee meetings and obligations. Also, many areas are restricted to access by the public.

The other option is coming to the capitol on a Friday during that time (*there is always a very slim chance we could be called into session on a Friday, but not likely*) or come to the capitol in the fall of the year. The disadvantage is not seeing the everyday activities and the House will not be in session at all. The capitol is normally very quiet that time of year. The advantage in the fall is getting into other activities is usually much easier, I and Angie will have all of the time we need to spend with your group and we can have access to areas that are normally restricted to the public like taking the children on the House floor.

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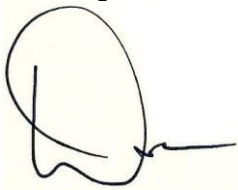
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Special Committee on General Laws

The choice of course it totally up to you and your school. I did realize after visiting with a few teachers last year that some didn't know the fall time of the year was an option so I wanted to share that with you. We just love the groups coming to Jefferson City anytime you can bring them.

When you are making your arrangements for this school year, please be in contact with Angie or myself and we will do everything possible to make your trip to our State's Capitol a great one. Our office number is (573) 751-1446, Angie's e-mail address is angie.thessen@house.mo.gov, mine is david.day@house.mo.gov

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'David Day', is written over a light yellow rectangular background.

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