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Rep. Rick Brattin Elected Freshman Class President for One of the Largest Classes in Missouri House History

Jefferson City, MO – Rep. Rick Brattin, R-Harrisonville, will serve as one of four class presidents for the 78-member freshman class in the Missouri House of Representatives. Brattin was selected for the honor by his peers on Wed., Feb. 9.

Traditionally, the freshman class has selected one president but Brattin said the size of the class necessitated a change. “With the past freshman classes, the president was really only appointed to plan the freshman class party,” said Brattin. “With our class, we wanted to take a more active role within the caucus and the entire political process.”

The 78-member freshman class represents the second largest class since the inception of term limits. The class is divided into four sections with each president serving as whip or representative for a particular section. “We did this to make sure we all felt like we were part of the team, and able to work together,” Brattin said.

Brattin added, “The new class wants to set an example that we aren’t here to do business as usual and we want to make more of an impact than ever before. We want to become a more unified and organized class because, with numbers as large as we have, it’s very easy to get lost and sidetracked in all that goes on in the capital of our great state.”