

## ★ CREATING JOBS ★

You know we can create an upbeat economic environment in Missouri when we remove the hindrances that deter job growth. The best way to stabilize and fuel our Missouri economy is to create a solid job market that helps energize local economies across our state. *Too often job killing taxes and over reaching regulations hinder solid job growth and drive away good jobs.* That is why I voted to continue on the success of the **Quality Jobs and Enhanced Enterprise Zone Act that statewide has helped create 22,000 new jobs!** Rather than spend your taxpayer dollars on unemployment, this bill gives Missourians the opportunity for good, high paying jobs. Growing our job market helps insure everyone a brighter future and better tomorrow.

### **Here are the highlights:**

- ★ Continuing on the success of Quality Jobs will allow companies tax incentives if they create a certain amount of jobs that pay as much or more than county average wage. The business must also offer health insurance and pay at least 50% of the premium. Here in the Springfield area, over 325 jobs have been created since 2005.
- ★ The Enhanced Enterprise Zone partners local governments with our state government when a company invests new money into their business facilities and creates new jobs with health benefits paid for partially by the employer and receives state tax credits for the investment. A good example here locally is the T-Mobile call center, which took advantage of the Enhanced Enterprise Zone program and created over 600 new jobs.
- ★ Recently the Enhanced Enterprise Zone helped create 400 new jobs at NorthStar Battery Company in Springfield. ***These 400 new jobs will pay an average wage of \$28,000 annually!*** Rather than spend your taxpayer dollars on unemployment, this bill gives Missourians the opportunity for good, high paying jobs. ***Growing our job market helps insure everyone a brighter future and better tomorrow.***