Aug. 26, 1946

*This Date in Missouri Senate History*

On *This Date in Missouri Senate History*, the date was Aug. 26, 1946, 240th day of the Regular Session of the 63rd General Assembly.

This particular session had started in January. Lawmakers moved to take a one-month break between July 8 and Aug. 7, and then didn’t meet again until this date. This appears to be the longest regular legislative session in state history, and would not end until December.

This was another short day, with senators reading in a message from the governor, related to a bill he had signed during lawmakers’ extended recess.

As has been mentioned before, World War II brought about a lot of legislative changes, both at the state and the federal levels. In 1943, the Legislature spent longer time than normal meeting in regular session, and had also taken a one-month break during the summer. What separates this session from others is the fact it would not fully conclude until December of the next year, in a time when the Legislature only normally met every *other* year.

August 26, 1946, the date marking the 240th day of the Regular Session of the 63rd General Assembly, on *This Date in Missouri Senate History*.

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