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State bill prefiled for the legislative session 2008:

Current Bill Summary

"SB 716 – This act provides that the official dating standard used by the state of Missouri shall be A.D., or Anno Domini, and B.C., or Before Christ. Neither the state, nor any political subdivision, shall use any other designation."

(Obviously, this simple wording does not take into consideration the fact that state universities and the geology/environmental/archaeological divisions of the state have a need of non-Americanized Christian-centric age/date schemes, much less people who follow other calendars (like observant Jews, Muslims and Orthodox sects.)

Interestingly the fellow who filed this has has a J.D., (law degree) and a wife who is a Ph.D. in something. Never let a little education get in the way of a ludicrous proposal!

Yes, I've already made these points to my local State-Senate-critter.

AD and BC are the standard in the west. Do you find being American or Christain offensive?

A legal standard for dating is needed. Using AD or BC does not interfere with an university using BP in the geology department or any other dating system for scientific use.

Radiocarbon dating uses a date that starts before the atomic tests. That system would not be of use in determining some ones date of birth if they were born after 1945.

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