***The Senate Minute* Script: Session Begins Wednesday**

The next regular legislative session will start on Wednesday.

But, what will dominate when lawmakers return to the Capitol?

Senate President Pro Tem Ron Richard of Joplin says more ethics reform is probably not needed…

**Richard 1 / Runs :09 / OC: to change that.**

*“However, the Legislature is a microcosm of Missouri, and you got people who do the right thing, people who do the wrong thing — and, there’s no amount of legislation going to change that.”*

As with any legislative session, different Missouri senators have different ideas of what constitutes a “priority” for them.

Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors adds the Legislature has to solve transportation funding…

**Walsh 2 / Runs :11 / OC: can be done.**

*“We need to sit down and just say to a group, or committee of our peers, and say, ‘Come up with two viable ways to fund this.’ And, I don’t even know if that can be done.”*

The First Regular Session of the 99th General Assembly will officially begin at noon on Wednesday.

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