**The Senate Minute: Digital Audio File Script on Committees**

So far, since Missouri senators adjourned the regular legislative session back in May, five major panels have held hearings.

Most of these are interim or joint Missouri Senate-House committees with a relatively short deadline for finishing work.

The first of these was the [Senate Interim Committee on MO HealthNet Pharmacy Benefits](http://www.senate.mo.gov/sipb/).

The panel first-met on July 27, and is chaired by Sen. David Sater of Cassville…

**Sater 1 / Runs :10 / OC: It is unsustainable.**

*“Trying to figure out how we’re going to control* [*Medicaid*](https://www.medicaid.gov/) *pharmacy benefits. We’ve seen tremendous increase in the cost, in the last couple of years. It is unsustainable.”*

Also related to health care is the [Legislative Task Force on Dyslexia](http://www.senate.mo.gov/ltfd/), which met for the first time on Oct. 18. Senator Scott Sifton of Affton serves on the committee…

**Sifton 2 / Runs :11 / OC: had some background.**

*“A constituent who contacted our office, was very frustrated with her ability to get services for her son at one of the school districts that I represent. Having been a nine-year school board member myself, had some background.”*

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