**The Senate Minute: Digital Audio File Script on Missouri Senate Leadership**

The next legislative session will start within two months.

For the majority caucus, most of those who held leadership positions will retain those spots for the next two years.

Returning Senate Pro Tem Ron Richard of Joplin says if changes are made to health insurance requirements federally, then Missouri will also have to make adjustments…

**Richard 1 / Runs :13 / OC: get services now.**

*“That can’t afford — don’t have the tax credits. There’s a gap there. I’d like to be able to help those people. It could be something else on health care, on assurance for getting people — of all different walks of life, above the* [*Medicaid*](https://www.medicaid.gov/) *population. I mean, they have the ability to get services now.”*

Incoming Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors will enter into 2017 with nine members of a 34-person chamber…

**Walsh 2 / Runs :12 / OC: of the aisle.**

*“I think a lot of things are said and done on the campaign trail that, to me, are purely rhetoric. I will tell you that, over the course of this election cycle, I have seen ads for and against both sides of the aisle.”*

Reporting for the Missouri Senate, I’m Dean Morgan.