**The Senate Minute: Digital Audio File Script on HB 1983**

Missouri senators send a priority measure to the executive branch.

Ethics reform is considered among the top issues for lawmakers this year.

[House Bill 1983](http://house.mo.gov/BillSummary.aspx?bill=HB1983&year=2016&code=R) would create new provisions of law relating to elected officials acting as paid political consultants. The proposal was Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed on Monday afternoon.

Senator Brian Munzlinger of Williamstown, who handled the bill in the upper chamber, and Sen. Scott Sifton of Affton discussed conference committee work on the measure…

**Munzlinger and Sifton / Runs :14 / OC: it is better.**

Sifton: *“And, there was a great exchange, and we talked about some of the nitty gritty on the bill. And, the change we wound up coming up with, I think was — in my view — an improvement on both what the House and the Senate.”*

Munzlinger: *“I think it reads better. If you followed me when I read the old version, I think it is better.”*

This is one of several ethics reform proposals that has been debated on the Missouri Senate floor, so far, this year.

House Bill 1983 now awaits the governor’s signature.

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