***The Senate Minute* Script: Right to Work**

Right to Work becomes one of the first measures to get a committee hearing this year.

Senator Bob Onder of Lake St. Louis chairs the [Missouri Senate General Laws Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/genl/), which will hear Senate Bills [19](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095277) and [21](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095275) on Wednesday.

He says he does not expect any group to want to be left out of implementation…

**Onder 1 / Runs :10 / OC: don’t want to.**

*“I’m sure there are groups who would want exemptions, but no, I think — as a matter of principle — no one should be forced to join or support a union, if they don’t want to.”*

Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors says she did not expect to see this in committee so soon…

**Walsh 2 / Runs :10 / OC: balancing the budget.**

*“Right to Work laws are just distractions. They do nothing but divide Missourians. Missouri leaders should be focusing on things like economic development and creating jobs and balancing the budget.”*

The first committee to meet this session was the [Missouri Senate Ways and Means Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/wame/), which heard Senate Bills [16](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095286) and [17](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095285) on Tuesday.

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