***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script: SB 378 and SB 23**

Committee hearings continue for Missouri senators.

Senator Wayne Wallingford of Cape Girardeau sponsors [Senate Bill 378](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=58645766), a measure that would modify provisions relating to early childhood education…

**Wallingford 1 / Runs :10 / OC: by the state.**

*“Missouri lags far behind our neighbors in offering pre-K opportunities to our families, so…. Only 3 percent of Missouri’s children are in a program funded by the state.”*

Also recently heard in the [Missouri Senate Education Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/EDUC/) is [Senate Bill 23](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095385), which is sponsored by Sen. Maria Chappelle-Nadal of University City.

Her proposal seeks to make numerous changes to provisions relating to elementary and secondary education…

**Chappelle-Nadal 2 / Runs :10 / OC: present this bill.**

*“It is a piece of legislation that a lot of people worked really hard and long on, for the course of years, I know. And, so, it is indeed a pleasure to present this bill.”*

Final committee action still awaits both of these measures.

Reporting from the State Capitol, I’m Dean Morgan.