***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script: HB 153**

A measure designed to update another aspect of rules that govern Missouri courtrooms moves through the Missouri Senate.

Senator Doug Libla of Poplar Bluff handles [House Bill 153](http://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB153&year=2017&code=R), which would modify provisions relating to expert witnesses…

**Libla 1 / Runs :11 / OC: to be reliable?**

*“The question House Bill 153 is answering is, ‘How do we know if an expert witness is truly an expert, if the information he or she testifies to be reliable?’”*

During discussion, Sen. Scott Sifton of Affton mentioned he has had concerns about this in past years…

**Sifton 2 / Runs :09 / OC: a three-year process.**

*“I kind of analogize the process that we’ve gone through to what we did on the medical malpractice cap bill. Just so happened that was also a three-year process.”*

House Bill 153 has been Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed. It now awaits executive branch action.

Next up for lawmakers is their annual mid-session recess. Session will continue for the Missouri Senate starting on March 27.

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