***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script: Budget**

The biggest part of Missouri’s budget continues to be social spending.

Just over one-third of spending falls into this category.

[Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/aprp/) Chair, Sen. Dan Brown of Rolla, says a $300 million increase is included in [House Bill 11](http://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB11&year=2017&code=R)…

**Brown 1 / Runs :10 / OC: to go up.**

*“Sizable increase, and usually a pretty good supplemental budget, related to social services and* [*Medicaid*](https://www.medicaid.gov/) *and — of course — pharmacy costs tend to go up.”*

During discussion, Sen. Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur mentioned the foundation funding formula was reset last year..

**Schupp 2 / Runs :08 / OC: put into place.**

*“This certainly doesn’t meet the level that we thought was adequate to fund the schools back in 2005, when this revised formula was put into place.”*

Missouri’s Fiscal Year 2018 financial plan has to be delivered to the executive branch no later than 6 p.m. on Friday, May 5.

Fiscal Year 2018 will start on Saturday, July 1.

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