***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script: More New Laws**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review more new laws that took effect on Aug. 28…

**Nat Snd 1 / Runs :02 / OC: by Sen. Brown.**

*“Eighty-eight, by Sen. Brown….”*

[Senate Bill 88](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095305) establishes a two-year statute of limitation for claims of malpractice or negligence against veterinarians.

Sponsor, Sen. Dan Brown of Rolla, presented his proposal to the [Missouri Senate Government Reform Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/GREF/) back on Feb. 8…

**Brown 1 / Runs :14 / OC: of veterinary medicine.**

*“Years ago, when negligence claims were rolled back from seven years to two years, veterinarians got left out of that language. So, we’re moving this to the part of law that regulates practice of veterinary medicine.”*

**Nat Snd 2 / Runs :05 / OC: before the body.**

*“Senator from Barry. Thank you, Mr. President. I move that Senate Bill 95 be brought before the body….”*

Missouri senators third-read [Senate Bill 95](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095320) on Valentine’s Day.

The measure extends the expiration dates on certain provisions relating to public funds.

Senator David Sater of Cassville is the sponsor…

**Sater 2 / Runs :14 / OC: it fell down.**

*“This is the county budget decrease bill, and extends the sunset to 2027. This bill passed out of this body last year — passed out of the [Missouri] House [of Representatives] last year, had a whole lot of amendments on it, and it fell down.”*

Much like last year, the bill took on several additional items, including:

* Ignition interlock devices;
* Operating hours of distilleries;
* Recreational resorts;
* Repeal of shipping provisions;
* Alcohol in airports; and
* Supervisor of liquor control…

**Nat Snd 3 / Runs :05 / OC: third reading and.**

*“Senator from 13 moves that Senate Bill No. 50 be taken up for third reading and….”*

[Senate Bill 50](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095451) modifies several provisions relating to health care.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors sponsors the measure, which Missouri senators third-read on March 1…

**Walsh 3 / Runs :15 / OC: to a hospital.**

*“This bill would establish a health care director’s registry for the purpose of providing a place to securely store an advanced health care directory electronically, and give authorized health care providers immediate access when a patient is admitted to a hospital.”*

During debate, she pointed out she ran into this need with her own husband…

**Walsh 4 / Runs :08 / OC: be able to.**

*“This is going to help people all across this state. I don’t want anybody, ever, to be in that position. And, if we have the tools to prevent it, we should be able to.”*

This is another new law with a multitude of pieces in it, including:

* STEMI and trauma center designations;
* Newborn screening;
* X-ray inspections;
* Health care directives registry;
* Hospital licensure;
* Hospital employment of dentists;
* Assistant physicians; and
* Speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

Next up for lawmakers will be the prefiling of bills for the next legislative session. Prefiled legislation will receive bill numbers on Dec. 1.

And, remember, you can follow these and other issues facing the Missouri Senate by visiting our website: [senate.mo.gov](http://www.senate.mo.gov).

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