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

Missouri senators’ sole constitutional obligation takes center stage this week at the Capitol.

On Tuesday morning, the [Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/aprp/) started going through the Missouri House of Representatives’ version of the state’s Fiscal Year 2019 budget.

Committee chair, Sen. Dan Brown of Rolla, says the House version generally does not take Missouri senators’ needs into account…

**Brown 1  
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Q: of your stuff.**

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur adds a growing desire to cut taxes will have an immediate effect on the budget…

**Schupp 2  
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Q: the federal level.**

The entire Missouri Senate could discuss the budget as early as next week. Missouri’s fiscal plan has to be on the governor’s desk by May 11.

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