***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script: Ethics Reform**

With five weeks left in the 2018 legislative session, remaining priorities are losing time.

Among these is something that took up several hours on the Missouri Senate floor last year.

Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Ron Richard of Joplin says [House Bill 1303](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB1303&Year=2018&code=R), ethics reform, was the first to be sent to the upper chamber this session…

**Richard 1  
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Q: can’t do something.**

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors says they don’t have to use the House version…

**Walsh 2  
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Q: bills every year.**

Also ahead for lawmakers is the Fiscal Year 2019 state budget, which is due on May 11.

The Second Regular Session of the 99th General Assembly will officially conclude at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 18.

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