***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script: Transportation Committee**

The [21st Century Missouri Transportation System Task Force](http://www.house.mo.gov/committeeIndividual.aspx?com=1621&year=2017) meets again.

Panel member — Sen. Bill Eigel of Weldon Spring — this year sponsored [Senate Bill 457](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=60643045), a measure that would have removed certain roads from the responsibility of the [Missouri State Highways and Transportation Commission](http://www.modot.org/about/commission/index.htm) and directed certain sales and use tax funds into the state road fund…

**Eigel 1 / Runs :08 / OC: MoDOT more effective.**

*“There’s no burden here that we’re going to be placing upon the local areas. They have the cash flows in place to take over, as we vacate those roads, and I think it’ll help make* [*MoDOT*](http://www.modot.org/) *more effective.”*

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors says it still comes down to funding…

**Walsh 2 / Runs :09 / OC: to fund this.**

*“We need to sit down and just say to a group, or committee of our peers, ‘Come up with two viable ways to fund this.’”*

The 21st Century Missouri Transportation System Task Force returns to the Capitol City for another meeting this week.

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