***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script: Evening Session Begins**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review some of the legislation making its way through the upper chamber…

**Nat Snd 1  
:02  
Q: Barton moves that….**

Several hours were spent this week on [Senate Bill 564](http://www.senate.mo.gov/18info/bts_web/bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=69471981), which would modify provisions relating to public utilities.

Sponsor, Sen. Ed Emery of Lamar, offered a new version of his proposal on Wednesday evening…

**Emery  
:08  
Q: and Jobs Act.**

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur contends the rate cap in the bill is not what it is advertised to be…

**Schupp 1  
:09  
Q: with your usage.**

By Thursday night, another new version of Senate Bill 564 would be offered and given first-round Missouri Senate approval. Another positive vote would send the measure to the Missouri House of Representatives…

**Nat Snd 2  
:02  
Q: to the order….**

Tuesday afternoon saw time spent on [Senate Bill 807 & 577](http://www.senate.mo.gov/18info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=69921012), legislation that seeks to modify provisions relating to degree offerings at public institutions of higher education, something sponsor — Sen. Jay Wasson of Nixa — says is two years in the making…

**Wasson  
:04  
Q: could agree with.**

Senator Shalonn “Kiki” Curls of Kansas City believes the state is still not doing enough for land-grant colleges…

**Curls  
:08  
Q: to get there.**

Another “yes” vote would send Senate Bill 807 & 577 to the Missouri House of Representatives for similar consideration…

**Nat Snd 3  
:02  
Q: (SFX in) We will….**

On Monday afternoon, the [Missouri Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee](http://www.senate.mo.gov/JUDI/) heard [Senate Bill 710](http://www.senate.mo.gov/18info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=69471820), a measure that would define the offense of driving with prohibited blood alcohol or drug content.

Sponsor, Sen. Bob Onder of Lake St. Louis, says he believes current law to only cover alcohol…

**Onder  
:08  
Q: other illegal drugs.**

During committee discussion, Sen. Scott Sifton of Affton told the sponsor he has seen this proposal before…

**Sifton  
:09  
Q: share the concern.**

Committee action has not yet been taken on Senate Bill 710…

**Nat Snd 4  
:02  
Q: adjourned until 1600….**

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