***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script: Priority Legislation**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review more measures earning floor time…

**Nat Snd 1 / Runs :01 / OC: Bill 37 and.**

*“…Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 37 and….”*

Among the measures deliberated this week is one that would address [Real ID](https://www.dhs.gov/real-id-public-faqs) in Missouri.

[Senate Bill 37 and 244](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095327) would allow the [Missouri Department of Revenue](http://dor.mo.gov/) to issue Real ID-compliant driver's licenses and identification cards.

During discussion, Sen. Jason Holsman of Kansas City told the sponsor he remembers the predictions made after the Legislature opted out of Real ID compliance in 2009…

**Holsman 1 / Runs :05 / OC: of our constituents.**

*“I think it’s only right that we do our best to rectify the situation on behalf of our constituents.”*

Senate Bill 37 and 244 has been set aside for future talks…

**Nat Snd 2 / Runs :01 / OC: Bill No. 74.**

*“…Bill No. 74….”*

Also considered this week is [Senate Bill 74](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095432).

Sponsor, Sen. Ron Schaaf of St. Joseph, tells his colleagues his proposal seeks to establish a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program in Missouri…

**Schaaf 2 / Runs :10 / OC: him or herself.**

*“That prescriber is not likely to give those four [Social Security] digits to some underling to look up onto the database him or herself.”*

Senate Bill 74 has been given preliminary Missouri Senate approval and still needs another vote before it could be sent to the Missouri House of Representatives…

**Nat Snd 3 / Runs: 01 / OC: Senate Bill 113.**

*“…Mr. Pres., I move that Senate Bill 113….”*

The week included discussion, and Missouri Senate passage, of [Senate Bill 113](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/bts_web/bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=57095302).

Senator Dave Schatz of Sullivan is the sponsor.

He says his measure would modify the law relating to discharge of employees under workers' compensation statutes…

**Schatz 3 / Runs :09 / OC: of the accident.**

*“This change clarifies, in conjunction with, to include testing positive for illegal drugs or non-prescribed drugs within 48 hours of the accident.”*

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors wonders about certain aspects of Missouri law that do not pertain to other states…

**Walsh 4 / Runs :11 / OC: in your system.**

*“What if you’re on vacation, and you’re out skiing in Colorado, and you decide that you’re going to partake in some marijuana — come back, go to work Monday. It’s still in your system.”*

Senate Bill 113 is now in the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration…

**Nat Snd 4 / Runs :01 / OC: job of maintaining.**

*“…done an admirable job of maintaining….”*

On Wednesday morning, Sen. Bill Eigel of Weldon Spring introduced a measure on the floor of the Missouri Senate that would address transportation funding.

He tells his colleagues [Senate Bill 457](http://www.senate.mo.gov/17info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=60643045) would take care of something that should have been solved years ago…

**Eigel 5 / Runs :07 / OC: to the forefront.**

*“We’re spending more money at the state level then we ever have before, and yet, we can’t seem to bring a fix to the forefront.”*

Senator Holsman says he favors the idea…

**Holsman 6 / Runs :08 / OC: have stalled out.**

*“Important, timely for us to talk about how we’re going to fund transportation, because the last couple of years, we’ve had proposals that have stalled out.”*

The next step for Senate Bill 457 will be to have the measure assigned to a Missouri Senate committee.

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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