***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
Mid-Session Recess**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review some of the legislation that could become a part of the second half of the 2019 legislative session…

 **Nat Snd 1 :01 Q: Senate Bill 149….**

Senator Andrew Koenig of Manchester sponsors [Senate Bill 149](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=60), which would place a 7.275 percent cap on the combined rate of local sales taxes…

 **Koenig :03 Q: 2,400 taxing jurisdictions.**

Committee action has not yet been taken on Senate Bill 149…

 **Nat Snd 2 :01 Q: Senate Bill 8….**

[Senate Bill 8](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=3) would allow courts to depart from a statutorily required minimum prison term when sentencing a defendant.

Senator Ed Emery of Lamar is the sponsor…

 **Emery :07 Q: the minimum sentencing.**

Add to this…

 **Nat Snd 3 :01 Q: I’m Karla May….**

[Senate Bill 74](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=117), sponsored by Sen. Karla May of St. Louis…

 **May :06 Q: a later time.**

The combined measure awaits committee action…

**Nat Snd 4 :01 Q: Senate Bill 327….**

[Senate Bill 327](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=2544803) is a measure that seeks to modify several provisions relating to gaming.

The sponsor is Sen. Tony Luetkemeyer of Parkville…

 **Luetkemeyer :06 Q: bars and taverns.**

This measure has been combined with [Senate Bill 43](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=64)…

**Nat Snd 5 :01 Q: an important issue….**

Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Dave Schatz of Sullivan sponsors [Senate Bill 431](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=4941200), which would also modify provisions relating to illegal gambling…

 **Schatz :03 Q: of the problem.**

Senate Bill 431 is also on the Missouri Senate [calendar](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/pdf-cal/cal.htm)…

**Nat Snd 6 :01 Q: Chairman, Senate Bill….**

Senator Shalonn “Kiki” Curls of Kansas City sponsors [Senate Bill 3](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=37), legislation that would allow certain people to enter abandoned property to secure it, maintain the grounds and provide immunity from civil and criminal liability…

 **Curls 1 :03 Q: remove painted graffiti.**

Senate Bill 3 now awaits full Missouri Senate action…

 **Nat Snd 7 :01 Q: Okay, this afternoon….**

Senator Jason Holsman of Kansas City says [Senate Bill 412](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=4382207) would also modify provisions for the abatement of vacant nuisance properties in Kansas City…

 **Holsman :02 Q: buildings and structures.**

A committee decision has not yet been made on Senate Bill 412…

 **Nat Snd 8 :01 Q: for allowing me….**

Senator Curls’ [Senate Bill 225](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=1098944) also addresses nuisance properties…

 **Curls 2 :04 Q: nearby nuisance properties.**

Senate Bill 225 awaits full Missouri Senate discussion.

 **Nat Snd 9 :02 Q: Monday, March 25….**

During the first half of session, 28 Missouri Senate bills were sent to the Missouri House of Representatives.

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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