***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
PDMP**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review one of the major measures from this year’s regular session that did not make it to the governor’s desk…

**Nat Snd :10 Q: invasion of privacy.**

Prescription drug-monitoring programs have become an annual debate in the Missouri General Assembly, and this year was no different.

Senator Tony Luetkemeyer of Parkville sponsored [Senate Bill 155](https://www.senate.mo.gov/19info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=168) this year…

 **Luetkemeyer 1 :08 Q: a PDMP currently.**

In addition, he handled [House Bill 188](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB188&year=2019&code=R) in the upper chamber…

 **Luetkemeyer 2 :10 Q: in car accidents.**

But, not all Missouri senators are on-board with this idea.

Senator Denny Hoskins of Warrensburg is among those lawmakers who is concerned this type of legislation will create another database…

 **Hoskins :09 Q: the private sector.**

Senator Luetkemeyer cautions against these worries…

 **Luetkemeyer 3 :04 Q: is being protected.**

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur also says there is an existing PDMP database in Missouri…

 **Schupp 1 :07 Q: prescription drug-monitoring program.**

She adds she believes a statewide system would aid law enforcement…

 **Schupp 2 :05 Q: the open market.**

Senator Schupp also stresses PDMPs exist throughout the country, but are not currently mandated by federal law…

 **Schupp 3 :05 Q: doctors are overprescribing.**

Senator Karla May of St. Louis also points out a number of people getting addicted to opioids are high school-age…

 **May :09 Q: to curtail that.**

Neither Senate Bill 155 nor House Bill 188 made it through both chambers, or to the executive branch this year. It is likely this measure will return next year.

Prefiled legislation for next year’s regular legislative session will be assigned official bill numbers starting on Dec. 1.

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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