***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Session Preview – Caucus Priorities**

For each Missouri senator, there are differing priorities for the upcoming new year.

But, collectively, this list is narrowed to a smaller list on which most members can agree.

Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Dave Schatz of Sullivan says, above all else, the [Missouri Constitution](https://revisor.mo.gov/main/Home.aspx) requires a balanced budget each year…

 **Schatz :03 Q: that reflects that.**

The [Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/aprp/) is among those panels that meets first, given the timeline in which to have a budget approved and delivered to the executive branch in early May.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors says jobs remain a priority for her membership…

 **Walsh : 04 Q: a fair wage.**

The Second Regular Session of the 100th General Assembly will officially begin at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 8.

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