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

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

 **Nat Snd 1 :02 Q: from the 23rd….**

Tuesday afternoon becomes Wednesday morning as Missouri senators discuss [Senate Bill 575](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=26838098).

Sponsor, Sen. Bill Eigel of Weldon Spring, told his colleagues on Feb. 12 about his proposal to establish procedures for a claimant in an action for damages due to asbestos exposure to disclose claims filed with an asbestos trust…

 **Eigel :04 Q: diagnosed with mesothelioma.**

But, Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader Gina Walsh of Bellefontaine Neighbors says she would like to see added asbestos inspections…

 **Walsh :05 Q: those old buildings.**

Senate Bill 575 has been set aside for further consideration…

 **Nat Snd 2 :02 Q: Senate Bill 591….**

Senator Bill White of Joplin sponsors [Senate Bill 591](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=26837954), another tort reform measure that would modify provisions relating to civil damages…

 **White :02 Q: on both sides.**

Senator Scott Sifton of Affton mentions there were several hours spent getting this proposal closer to where more people would want it…

 **Sifton :05 Q: lot that’s different.**

Senate Bill 591 still needs another “yes” vote before it could move to the Missouri House of Representatives…

 **Nat Snd 3 :02 Q: Committee on Judiciary….**

Monday afternoon, the [Missouri Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/judi/) heard [Senate Bill 542](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=26838184) and [Senate Joint Resolution 61](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=30556755).

Sponsor, Sen. Jamilah Nasheed of St. Louis, says her proposal would remove provisions prohibiting people on probation or parole after conviction of a felony from voting. The resolution would put that on a future ballot…

 **Nasheed :06 Q: casting a ballot.**

Senator Bob Onder of Lake St. Louis points out this would mean non-dangerous felonies, only…

 **Onder :06 Q: right to vote.**

Committee action has not yet been taken on Senate Bill 542 or Senate Joint Resolution 61…

**Nat Snd 4 :02 Q: Senate Joint Resolution 32….**

Senator David Sater of Cassville sponsors [Senate Joint Resolution 32](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=26838144), which would have voters decide requiring certain MO HealthNet participants to comply with work and community engagement requirements…

 **Sater :03 Q: requirements are necessary.**

During the [Missouri Senate Seniors, Families and Children Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/sfch/) hearing on the resolution, Sen. Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur expressed her concerns…

 **Schupp :04 Q: these work requirements.**

Missouri senators could bring Senate Joint Resolution 32 up for discussion at any time…

 **Nat Snd 5 :02 Q: adjourned until 4 p.m….**

Session resumes on Monday.

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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