***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
Crime Bill**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review a major crime bill for 2020…

**Nat Snd :03 Q: Bill No. 600….**

[Senate Bill 600](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=26838053) was prefiled back in December; heard by the [Missouri Senate Judiciary and Civil & Criminal Jurisprudence Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/JUDI/) on Jan. 13; given preliminary Missouri Senate approval on Feb. 12; sent to the Missouri House of Representatives the following day; given final passage on May 15; and sent to the executive branch on May 27.

During Missouri Senate discussion on Feb. 12, sponsor — Sen. Tony Luetkemeyer of Parkville — told his colleagues his proposal deals with dangerous felonies…

 **Luetkemeyer 1 :20 Q: in separate cases.**

He adds this measure would also revise rules regarding probation…

 **Luetkemeyer 2 :17 Q: 65-percent recidivism rate.**

In addition, Senate Bill 600 would change the definition of “dangerous felony,” create a stand-alone crime of carjacking and make changes to “armed-criminal action” punishments.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Kansas City says there are some people who agree with the need for this legislation, but maybe not *every* piece contained within the bill…

 **Rizzo 1 :16 Q: this bill does.**

He also says this does not mean this measure is the only solution…

 **Rizzo 2 :21 Q: state to flourish.**

Senate Bill 600 would become law on Aug. 28.

The executive branch continues to review all of the measures received this year. The deadline to sign, veto or let legislation become law without a signature is July 14.

And, remember, you can follow these and other issues facing the Missouri Senate — plus, see a complete list of [truly agreed to and finally passed legislation](https://www.senate.mo.gov/20info/BTS_Web/TrulyAgreed.aspx?SessionType=R) — by visiting our website: [senate.mo.gov](http://www.senate.mo.gov).

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