***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Public Health**

Committee hearings continue in the Missouri Senate.

Several hours are spent on a measure that pertains to the ongoing pandemic.

On Wednesday afternoon, the [Missouri Senate Health and Pensions Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/hpen/) heard a number of measures pertaining to governmental involvement in public health — including [Senate Bill 12](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54250551) — which is sponsored by committee chair, Sen. Bob Onder of Lake St. Louis…

 **Onder :08 Q: have a baby?**

Concerns have arisen over some localities that have chosen to either close certain businesses or limit the number of patrons allowed inside at a time.

During discussion, committee member — Sen. Barbara Anne Washington of Kansas City — mentioned she has a lot of restaurants in her district…

 **Washington :08 Q: their own choice.**

Committee action has not yet been taken on any of these proposals.

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