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

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review more legislation making its way through the 2021 session…

**Nat Snd 1 :05 Q: a huge issue.**

Senator Tony Luetkemeyer of Parkville says [Senate Bill 51](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54105525) would establish provisions relating to civil actions arising from the COVID-19 pandemic…

 **Luetkemeyer 1 :10 Q: out of business.**

Senator Karla May of St. Louis adds she believes this can be done, but it should be done carefully…

 **May :06 Q: make sure of.**

 **Nat Snd 2 :02 Q: Senate Committee Substitute….**

Full Missouri Senate discussion started on Senate Bill 51 around 2:30 on Tuesday afternoon…

 **Luetkemeyer 2 :10 Q: a COVID-19 lawsuit.**

During this discussion, Sen. Doug Beck of St. Louis said he wants to ensure this legislation does what it promises…

 **Beck 1 :07 Q: for these businesses.**

Nearly 15 hours later, Senate Bill 51 received first-round approval. Another positive vote would send the measure to the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration…

 **Nat Snd 3 :02 Q: a police officer….**

Monday afternoon saw the [Missouri Senate Judiciary and Civil & Criminal Jurisprudence Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/judi/) hear [Senate Bill 129](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54105456).

Senator Luetkemeyer is the sponsor. He says his measure would modify provisions relating to the unlawful posting of certain information over the Internet…

 **Luetkemeyer 3 :05 Q: and their children.**

During the hearing, Sen. Steven Roberts of St. Louis mentioned the penalty section of the proposal…

 **Roberts :03 Q: creates harsher penalties.**

 **Nat Snd 4 :02 Q: for Senate Bill….**

Wednesday morning saw the [Missouri Senate Progress and Development Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/prog/) hear [Senate Bill 187](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54105568).

Senator Beck is the sponsor. He says his proposal would require school district nurses to develop individualized health care plans for students with epilepsy or seizure disorders…

 **Beck 2 :03 Q: every two years.**

 **Nat Snd 5 :01 Q: a good thing.**

Also Wednesday, the [Missouri Senate Seniors, Families, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/SFVM/) heard [Senate Bill 138](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54243009).

Sponsor, Sen. Rick Brattin of Harrisonville, says the measure would modify the law relating to work requirements for participants in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program…

 **Brattin :04 Q: out of poverty.**

Committee action has not yet been taken on either of these bills.

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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