***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script  
Education Assistance**

Education measures continue to receive time on the floor of the Missouri Senate.

In this case, though, the legislation may not be something you would automatically consider to be an education bill.

[Senate Bill 43](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54105555) is something sponsor, Sen. Bill White of Joplin, calls “education-related”…

**White :06 Q: our young people.**

The measure would require health benefit plans to cover at least those hearing aids which are covered for those receiving benefits under MO HealthNet.

During Wednesday morning discussion, Sen. Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur called the proposal a good idea…

**Schupp :04 Q: of all ages.**

Senate Bill 43 has first-round Missouri Senate approval. Another “yes” vote would send the measure to the Missouri House of Representatives for similar consideration.

Missouri senators have now completed the first half of the legislative session, with nine weeks of session left until their May 14 adjournment.

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