***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
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An eight-year battle for one Missouri senator moves a step closer to reality.

On Tuesday afternoon, Missouri senators voted to send [Senate Bill 63](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54228843) to the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration.

This measure, which seeks to modify provisions relating to the monitoring of certain controlled substances, is sponsored by Sen. Holly Rehder of Scott City…

 **Rehder :08 Q: across the line.**

Supporters say the driving force behind this legislation is a spike in opioid-related deaths throughout our state, but opponents caution against adding a database to track certain people.

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur says she agrees with the need for this proposal…

 **Schupp :06 Q: on the streets.**

Missouri is currently the only state without a prescription drug-monitoring program.

Reporting from the State Capitol, I’m Dean Morgan.