***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
FY ’22 Budget**

The 2021 legislative session moves into its final month.

This week will be devoted to detailing the Missouri House of Representatives’ version of the state’s next budget.

Missouri Senate Majority Floor Leader Caleb Rowden of Columbia says lawmakers are still looking at all aspects for Medicaid expansion…

 **Rowden :04 Q: we should be.**

A majority of Missouri voters approved adding federal dollars to Medicaid last year. Allocating this money is a part of creating the state’s operating budget, starting with the upcoming fiscal year.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Kansas City adds the direction is up to the [Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/aprp/)…

 **Rizzo :03 Q: in the committee.**

Missouri’s Fiscal Year 2022 operating budget has to be complete no later than 6 p.m. on Friday, May 7.

The First Regular Session of the 101st General Assembly will conclude exactly one week later.

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