***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
Legislative Priorities**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review more legislative priorities for 2021.

Missouri senators approve [Senate Bill 57](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54244179).

Sponsor, Sen. Karla May of St. Louis, says this measure seeks to modify provisions relating to funding to certain organizations to deter criminal behavior…

 **May :04 Q: the violent crime.**

Senate Bill 57 is now in the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration…

Missouri senators also give the “thumbs up” to [Senate Bill 126](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54105522).

Sponsor, Sen. Justin Brown of Rolla, says his proposal would modify provisions relating to the sale of intoxicating liquor…

 **Brown :05 Q: them the opportunity.**

Senate Bill 126 is now in the Missouri House of Representatives for similar consideration.

Committee hearings also continue.

The [Missouri Senate Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/rjrr/) heard Sen. Dan Hegeman of Cosby present [Senate Joint Resolution 28](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=59159657), which — upon voter approval — would prohibit any increase in compensation for certain elected officials…

 **Hegeman :05 Q: commission is effective.**

Also…

 **Nat Snd 1 :01 Q: Senate Bill….**

Senator Lauren Arthur of Kansas City presented [Senate Bill 165](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54113824) to the [Missouri Senate Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/tran/).

This measure would prohibit motorcycle or motor tricycle passengers under the age of eight…

 **Arthur :03 Q: this was unnecessary.**

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

**Nat Snd 2 :07 Q: can work together.**

Missouri Senate Majority Floor Leader Caleb Rowden of Columbia says there are still several issues left undecided this session…

 **Rowden :05 Q: legalize sports booking.**

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Kansas City adds this includes the budget…

 **Rizzo :05 Q: to be done.**

**Nat Snd 3 :08 Q: the budget bills.**

Senator Karla Eslinger of Wasola, who serves on the [Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/aprp/), says this panel will review the Missouri House of Representatives’ version of the Fiscal Year 2022 state operating budget before it goes to the full Missouri Senate…

 **Eslinger :04 Q: budget going forward.**

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur adds she expects a great deal of discussion on the budget…

 **Schupp :05 Q: expansion of Medicaid.**

The Fiscal Year 2022 state operating budget has to be complete by 6 p.m. on Friday, May 7.

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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