***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
Second Amendment Preservation Act**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review another of Missouri’s new laws…

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[House Bill 85 & 310](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB85&year=2021&code=R) establishes the "Second Amendment Preservation Act," which creates additional protections to the right to bear arms.

Senator Eric Burlison of Battlefield handled the measure in the upper chamber, which was heard in the [Missouri Senate General Laws Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/genl/) on March 30…

 **Burlison 1 :10 Q: for law enforcement.**

When the proposal was discussed on the floor of the Missouri Senate on May 13, Sen. Lauren Arthur of Kansas City introduced an amendment intended to fix an unintended consequence of a law enacted in 2016…

 **Arthur 1 :06 Q: keep people safe.**

Ultimately, the amendment did not go onto the legislation.

Senator Burlison says federal law that violates House Bill 85 & 310 should not be enforced…

 **Burlison 2 :20 Q: in our Constitution.**

Also during discussion, Sen. Karla May of St. Louis says this also comes after several changes have been made to rules overseeing firearms…

 **May 1 :16 Q: imposed upon African-Americans.**

Supporters say this new law is needed because of what they consider a growing call to make sweeping changes they believe would adversely affect a person’s right to bear arms.

Senator Rick Brattin of Harrisonville co-sponsored [Senate Bill 39](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54242152), which was the Missouri Senate companion to House Bill 85…

 **Brattin 1 :08 Q: appalling to me.**

But, opponents counter by saying no such move to end the Second Amendment is underway.

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur says she believes this new law will set a bad precedent…

 **Schupp 1 :21 Q: did not pass.**

Because of an emergency clause, House Bill 85 & 310 took effect upon the governor’s signature.

And, remember, you can follow these and other issues facing the Missouri Senate — plus, see a complete list of [truly agreed to and finally passed legislation](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/BTS_Web/TrulyAgreed.aspx?SessionType=R) — by visiting our website: [senate.mo.gov](http://www.senate.mo.gov).

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