***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Public Safety**

[Senate Bill 26](https://www.senate.mo.gov/21info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=54105537) creates provisions relating to public safety.

Senator Bill Eigel of Weldon Spring is the sponsor. He cites what he believes to be increasing pressures on police officers as part of the reason for his proposal…

 **Eigel :07 Q: our communities safe.**

Another aspect of this new law includes language addressing protests, specifically when they block traffic or impede emergency vehicles from getting to their destination.

Senator Karla May of St. Louis believes this new law goes too far…

 **May :07 Q: try to do.**

She was, however, successful in adding an amendment that addresses helping officers cope with stress and psychological trauma resulting from their job.

Senate Bill 26 will take effect on Aug. 28, with some provisions set to become law at later times.

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