***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
Medicaid Committee Report**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review the final report from the [Missouri Senate Interim Committee on Medicaid Accountability and Taxpayer Protection](https://www.senate.mo.gov/simt/)…

**Nat Snd :12 Q: provider of choice.**

Senator Bill White of Joplin, who chaired the panel, says part of their goal is to provide more information to the public…

 **White 1 :15 Q: back to me.**

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur, who served on the committee, says there are health care needs in place now…

 **Schupp 1 :11 Q: accepting new patients.**

Senator White says part of attaining the panel’s goals rests with the attorney general’s office…

 **White 2 :17 Q: and investigate things.**

Senator Schupp says she believes Missouri should be expanding Medicaid coverage…

 **Schupp 2 :11 Q: the federal government.**

Senator White says other aspects of the final committee report can be done legislatively…

 **White 3 :06 Q: to a year.**

Senator Schupp says Medicaid expansion has been settled…

 **Schupp 3 :18 Q: masked and safe.**

Senator White says some elements of the panel’s findings have been put into play…

 **White 4 :17 Q: license or not.**

Senator Schupp says it has already taken a court decision to move forward…

 **Schupp 4 :11 Q: health care they need.**

In the meantime, the 2022 session will start on Jan. 5.

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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