***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Redistricting**

Lawmakers are approaching a deadline on redistricting.

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census helps determine where population is and how it should be represented. To this end, the Legislature has a role in shaping congressional districts for the coming decade.

Missouri Senate Majority Floor Leader Caleb Rowden of Columbia says, on paper, redistricting is a simple process…

 **Rowden :04 Q: pass a map.**

In the meantime, citizens’ commissions have worked on new district maps for both Missouri Senate and House districts.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Kansas City adds there is still time for negotiations on the congressional redistricting map…

 **Rizzo :07 Q:** **position of middle-of-the-road.**

There are some who hope to have redistricting finished by Feb. 1.

Another item with a short window for finishing is the supplemental budget for the current fiscal year. Because of some federal funding, this has to be completed by March 1.

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