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

Missouri senators take up one of the most-talked about pieces of legislation for the year.

Work on [House Bill 2117](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB2117&year=2022&code=R) began a little after five on Monday afternoon.

Senator Mike Bernskoetter of Jefferson City handles the measure in the upper chamber. He offered a substitute bill, which includes an emergency clause…

 **Bernskoetter :10 Q: the U.S. Constitution.**

An emergency clause means the legislation would become law upon the governor’s signature.

Among the amendments to this proposal is one from Sen. Steven Roberts of St. Louis…

 **Roberts :09 Q: increase minority representation.**

There are some who hope to see new congressional maps in place before candidate filing starts on Feb. 22.

Discussion on House Bill 2117 continued into Tuesday.

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