***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Budget Preview**

Missouri’s next operating budget is coming closer to reality.

Lawmakers are required, by law, to have the budget finished by Friday, May 6, at 6 p.m.

Missouri Senate Majority Floor Leader Caleb Rowden of Columbia says this week’s focus will mainly be on reviewing the state operating budget for Fiscal Year 2023…

 **Rowden :06 Q: than the budget.**

The Missouri House of Representatives has already approved its version of the next budget.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Kansas City says he would like to see one group make more money…

 **Rizzo :05 Q: have a raise.**

Fiscal Year 2023 will start on July 1.

In addition to the 13 bills that comprise the budget for Missouri’s *next* fiscal year, Missouri senators will also discuss [House Bill 3015](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3015&year=2022&code=R), which is another supplemental budget for the *current* fiscal year, and [House Bill 3020](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3020&year=2022&code=R), which is the traditional capital improvements budget.

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