***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
FY ’23 Budget**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review the current version of the Fiscal Year 2023 state operating budget…

 **Nat Snd 1 :02 Q: House Committee Substitute….**

Missouri senators took approximately four and a half hours to go through not only the 13 bills that comprise the Fiscal Year 2023 state operating budget, but also [House Bill 3015](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3015&year=2022&code=R), which is the second supplemental budget for the current fiscal year.

Senator Dan Hegeman of Cosby chairs the [Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/aprp/)…

 **Hegeman 1 :09 Q: the prior-year correction.**

Missouri’s current fiscal year will end on June 30…

 **Nat Snd 2 :02 Q: three. Thank you….**

During Tuesday’s discussion on the floor of the Missouri Senate, Sen. Barbara Anne Washington of Kansas City mentions she wants all families to be able to afford college…

 **Washington :10 Q: in our community.**

[House Bill 3003](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3003&year=2022&code=R) is the higher education budget…

 **Nat Snd 3 :02 Q: for House Bill….**

Senator Hegeman also says [House Bill 3002](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3002&year=2022&code=R) provides for elementary and secondary education…

 **Hegeman 2 :09 Q: the formula, $215 million.**

He also says this is the highest increase for school transportation funding since 1991…

 **Nat Snd 4 :02 Q: three-thousand and….**

[House Bill 3010](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3010&year=2022&code=R) funds the Missouri Departments of Mental Health and Health and Senior Services, which catches Sen. Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur’s attention…

 **Schupp :08 Q: any willing provider.**

 **Nat Snd 5 :05 Q: in three Missourians.**

Along with the budget for the upcoming fiscal year, there is [House Bill 3021](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3021&year=2022&code=R), which would create a one-time tax credit.

Missouri Senate Majority Floor Leader Caleb Rowden of Columbia says he is still looking at this idea…

 **Rowden :06 Q: all those things.**

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Kansas City adds the state needs to take care of all financial obligations before anything else…

 **Rizzo :06 Q: the most first.**

In addition, [House Bill 3019](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB3019&year=2022&code=R) is the annual capital improvements budget…

**Nat Snd 6 :06 Q: on the table.**

Now that the Missouri Senate has its own version of the budget, Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Dave Schatz of Sullivan says there will be conference committees with the Missouri House of Representatives, and then the budget will come back through the upper chamber next week…

 **Schatz :07 Q: the Senate floor.**

Missouri Senate Assistant Minority Floor Leader Brian Williams of University City adds he wants to see his colleagues build on changes made to the Missouri Senate version of the budget…

 **Williams :06 Q: with the budget.**

By law, the Legislature has to deliver the budget to the executive branch no later than 6 p.m. on Friday, May 6…

 **Nat Snd 7 :02 Q: May 2, 2022….**

The final two weeks of the Second Regular Session of the 101st General Assembly will start on Monday.

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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