***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script  
Eminent Domain**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review another of the measures set to become law on Aug. 28…

**Nat Snd :04 Q: Madame President. I….**

[House Bill 2005](https://house.mo.gov/Bill.aspx?bill=HB2005&year=2022&code=R) modifies provisions relating to eminent domain for electrical corporations.

Senator Jason Bean of Holcomb handled the proposal in the upper chamber…

**Bean 1 :16 Q: our geographic location.**

Over the years, the Missouri General Assembly has looked at eminent domain legislation and made changes where necessary.

Senator Bean says House Bill 2005 contains specific provisions…

**Bean 2 :17 Q: to the landowner.**

During Missouri Senate discussion on the bill on May 4, Sen. Barbara Anne Washington of Kansas City explained why electric cooperatives are not included in the new law…

**Washington 1 :18 Q: of this bill.**

Senator Washington says she believes this new law could result in higher utility bills…

**Washington 2 :15 Q: for the year.**

At the same time, most of the concern over eminent domain has been over what is considered “fair market value,” which would now be set by a court, and usually for 150 percent of “fair market value.”

The governor signed House Bill 2005 into law on June 11.

The governor now has until July 14 to sign, veto or let legislation become law without a signature. This includes the 13 individual bills that comprise the budget for Missouri’s next fiscal year.

Fiscal Year 2023 will begin on Friday, July 1. It is likely the executive branch will sign appropriations measures next week, in anticipation of start of the new fiscal year.

Most new laws in Missouri will take effect on Aug. 28.

Also this week, it was announced the [Missouri Senate Interim Committee on Illegal Immigration](https://www.senate.mo.gov/siii/) will hold its first hearing on Wednesday of next week. We will have more on this panel in the weeks to come.

And, remember, you can follow these and other issues facing the Missouri Senate — plus, see a complete list of [truly agreed to and finally passed](https://www.senate.mo.gov/22info/BTS_Web/TrulyAgreed.aspx?SessionType=R) legislation — by visiting our website: [senate.mo.gov](http://www.senate.mo.gov).

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