***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
New Voting Laws**

[House Bill 1878](https://www.senate.mo.gov/22info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=78348681) is this year’s omnibus voting measure.

Senator Tony Luetkemeyer of Parkville is among the new law’s supporters. He says this is a culmination of years of work…

 **Luetkemeyer :08 Q: here in Missouri.**

Portions of this new law took effect on Aug. 28, and were in-place for the November election. Other elements will take effect next year.

Senator Jill Schupp of Creve Coeur says changes were made to the original proposal…

 **Schupp :08 Q: no-excuse absentee voting.**

House Bill 1878 allows the secretary of state to audit local election authorities when necessary; regulates voting machines; makes changes to qualifications for election officials, voter registration and change of address rules; and prohibits ballot drop boxes.

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