***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script
Foreign Ownership**

Toward the end of *last* year, foreign ownership of Missouri land became a hot-button issue.

As a result, several measures were introduced during *this* year’s regular legislative session, which concluded in mid-May.

Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Caleb Rowden of Columbia sponsored [Senate Joint Resolution 41](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=2020263), which would have created the Joint Committee on State Security…

 **Rowden :10 Q: in that regard.**

Among the other measures that would have restricted foreign ownership was [Senate Bill 144](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44486).

Senator Doug Beck of St. Louis was the sponsor.

He says he has sponsored this type of legislation for the past five years…

 **Beck :07 Q: in this country.**

There is a high likelihood more proposals relating to foreign ownership of Missouri land will be a part of next year’s regular legislative session. Session will start in January.

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