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

The [Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/Committees/CommitteeDetails/3) starts meeting this week.

The panel is moving through the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2024.

Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Caleb Rowden of Columbia says he does not see the need for an “us versus them” mentality on the budget…

**Rowden :08 Q: opportunities for kids.**

The Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee normally waits until after lawmakers hear the governor’s annual legislative proposal to begin parsing through the next budget.

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Independence adds he is on-board with many of the priorities the governor has…

**Rizzo :11 Q: in higher education.**

Other committees are also meeting this week, some for the first time this session.

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