***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script  
Childcare**

A perennial topic comes to the floor of the Missouri Senate.

Part of Tuesday afternoon was spent talking about childcare.

Senator Lauren Arthur of Kansas City sponsors [Senate Bill 184](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44546), a measure that would modify provisions relating to tax relief for child-related expenses…

**Arthur :08 Q: toddlers’ healthy development.**

In part, Senate Bill 184 would establish the "Child Care Contribution Tax Credit Act" and the "Employer-Provided Child Care Assistance Tax Credit Act." In addition, this legislation would create a diaper sales tax exemption.

During discussion, Sen. Bill Eigel of Weldon Spring points out he does not believe tax credits should be used as a tax relief mechanism…

**Eigel :07 Q: me some concern.**

Senate Bill 184 has been set aside for further dialogue.

Reporting from the State Capitol, I’m Dean Morgan.