***This Week in the Missouri Senate* Script
Priority Legislation**

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review more priority legislation…

 **Nat Snd 1 :02 Q: the body for….**

Monday afternoon saw time spent on [Senate Bill 100](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44521).

Sponsor, Sen. Bill Eigel of Weldon Spring, says this measure seeks to create and modify provisions relating to gold and silver…

 **Eigel :08 Q: our cash reserves.**

During discussion on the floor of the Missouri Senate, Sen. Tracy McCreery of St. Louis County mentioned she has concerns with this legislation…

 **McCreery :08 Q: gold and silver.**

Missouri senators gave Senate Bill 100 preliminary approval on Monday afternoon. Thursday morning, a second “yes” vote sent this proposal to the Missouri House of Representatives for similar consideration…

 **Nat Snd 2 :02 Q: hearing no objection….**

Tuesday afternoon was dedicated to [Senate Bill 21](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44523).

Senator Mike Bernskoetter of Jefferson City is the sponsor. He says his proposal would modify the duration of unemployment benefits, based on the unemployment rate…

 **Bernskoetter :09 Q: or below 3.5 percent.**

During discussion, Sen. Lauren Arthur of Kansas City talked about the stigma that remains attached to unemployment…

 **Arthur :09 Q: who are unemployed (2x).**

Senate Bill 21 has been set aside for further discussion…

 **Nat Snd 3 :02 Q: 4, 42 &….**

Wednesday afternoon saw [Senate Bills 4, 42 & 89](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44578) receive first-round Missouri Senate approval.

Sponsor, Sen. Andrew Koenig of Manchester, says this legislation would modify provisions regarding transparency in public schools and create the Parents' Bill of Rights Act of 2023…

 **Koenig :08 Q: to move on.**

During discussion on the floor of the Missouri Senate, Sen. Barbara Anne Washington of Kansas City told her colleagues the new version of this proposal is a compromise…

 **Washington :09 Q: together and negotiate.**

Senate Bills 4, 42 & 89 still needs another “yes” vote before it would move on to the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration…

**Nat Snd 4 :09 Q: wouldn’t require 60 percent.**

At the same time, Missouri Senate President Pro Tem Caleb Rowden of Columbia says [House Joint Resolution 43](https://www.house.mo.gov/bill.aspx?bill=HJR43&year=2023&code=R) would modify provisions for constitutional amendments…

 **Rowden :10 Q: 50 percent, plus one.**

Missouri Senate Minority Floor Leader John Rizzo of Independence says he is not convinced this is the right idea…

 **Rizzo :06 Q: harder to change.**

House Joint Resolution 43 is the first measure to come to the upper chamber from the Missouri House of Representatives this session. It has yet to be assigned to a Missouri Senate committee…

 **Nat Snd 5 :02 Q: business coming before….**

Lawmakers are now one-third through the 2023 legislative session, with six weeks now complete.

And, remember, you can follow these and other issues facing the Missouri Senate by visiting our website: [senate.mo.gov](http://www.senate.mo.gov).

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