***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script**

Monday afternoon and evening see time spent on [Senate Bill 61](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=326).

Senator Ben Brown of Washington is the sponsor.

He tells his colleagues this legislation would modify provisions relating to professional licensing…

**Brown :05 Q: current labor shortage.**

Senator Brown also says he has sponsored this type of legislation in previous years.

During discussion on the floor of the Missouri Senate, Sen. Patty Lewis and Kansas City mentioned she serves on the committee that heard this bill…

**Lewis :08 Q: work and thrive.**

Missouri senators gave Senate Bill 61 preliminary approval on Monday evening. Another “yes” vote would send this measure to the Missouri House of Representatives for similar consideration.

There are only two months left in the 2025 regular legislative session. In the weeks to come, Missouri senators will start to spend more time on House bills.

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