***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script**

Tuesday afternoon and evening are dedicated to [Senate Bill 79](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=1021).

Senator Kurtis Gregory of Marshall is the sponsor.

He says his proposal would modify provisions relating to health care…

 **Gregory :05 Q: to its members.**

Similar bills to this have been offered by other lawmakers over the past several years.

During discussion, Sen. Tracy McCreery of St. Louis County was among the senators who would like to see some additions made to this legislation…

 **McCreery :08 Q: that are consistent.**

Missouri senators gave first-round approval to Senate Bill 79 on Tuesday evening. Another positive vote would send this to the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration.

The Missouri Senate continues to work through the 11th week of session. The upper chamber is approximately one month from seeing the Fiscal Year 2026 state operating budget, which has to be delivered to the governor no later than 6 p.m. on Friday, May 9.

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