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

This week in the Missouri Senate, we review another upcoming new law and the extra session.

[Senate Bill 81](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=1023) was pre-filed on Dec. 1; heard by the [Missouri Senate Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee](https://www.senate.mo.gov/Committees/CommitteeDetails/53) on Feb. 3; given preliminary Missouri Senate approval on Feb. 18; sent to the Missouri House of Representatives on Feb. 20; returned to the Missouri Senate on April 23; truly agreed to and finally passed on May 6; and signed into law on June 10.

Senate Bill 81 is a public safety measure that originally pertained to our state’s fireworks laws.

Senator Kurtis Gregory of Marshall is the sponsor…

 **Gregory :30 Q: any of this.**

This new law also relates to criminal background checks; extends the “Line of Duty Compensation Act” for another six years; makes changes relating to the Missouri Emergency Response Commission and license waivers for law enforcement officers’ spouses; and modifies the offenses included in the definition of "childhood sexual abuse" for civil actions to recover damages from injury or illness caused by childhood sexual abuse.

Parts of Senate Bill 81 took effect upon the governor’s signature…

 **Nat Snd :03 Q: lost in House Bill 19.**

Missouri senators also continue to reflect upon the Extra Session of the 103rd General Assembly, which ended on June 11. [Senate Bill 1](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=E1&BillID=18267452) seeks to appropriate money to the Department of Economic Development for the Missouri Housing Development Commission. [Senate Bill 3](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=E1&BillID=18267440) would modify provisions relating to taxation. [Senate Bill 4](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=E1&BillID=18267450) would authorize the expedited disbursement of funds from the Missouri Housing Trust Fund for emergency aid.

Senator Barbara Anne Washington of Kansas City says there is a reason the three main points of the governor’s call for this extra session were split into three different bills…

 **Washington :25 Q: than the Chiefs.**

Next up will be July 1, which is the beginning of the next fiscal year. We will talk more about Fiscal Year 2026 next week.

And remember, you can follow these and other issues facing the Missouri Senate — plus, see a complete list of [truly agreed to and finally passed legislation](https://www.senate.mo.gov/25info/BTS_Web/TrulyAgreed.aspx?SessionType=R) and [extra session legislation](https://www.senate.mo.gov/BillTracking/Bills/BillList?year=2025&session=E1) — by visiting our website: [senate.mo.gov](http://www.senate.mo.gov).

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