**This Week in the Missouri Senate:  
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This week in the Missouri Senate, we review some of the actions made by Missouri senators during the second-to-last week of the legislative session…

**Nat Snd 1 / Runs :04 / OC: Bill one six.**

*“Recognize the senator from the 8th District on House Bill one, six….”*

Monday evening saw the Missouri Senate reach a conclusion on [House Bill 1631](http://house.mo.gov/BillSummary.aspx?bill=HB1631&year=2016&code=R), which would modify provisions of law relating to voter identification.

Bill handler, Sen. Will Kraus of Lee’s Summit, says his substitute measure makes one change…

**Kraus 1 / Runs :11 / OC: was already accepted.**

*“If you do not have a photo ID, you would vote a normal ballot, but you’d also have to show some current form of identification — including a utility bill or another form of ID that was already accepted.”*

During debate, Sen. Jason Holsman of Kansas City mentioned it has taken a lot of time to get to this point…

**Holsman 2 / Runs :11 / OC: of compromise negotiations.**

*“I still think voting rights should not be rolled back or infringed on, but that the language that’s in front of us is a position that has changed and evolved and moved through weeks of compromise negotiations.”*

House Bill 1631 has been sent to the executive branch…

**Nat Snd 2 / Runs :03 / OC: eight, senator from.**

*“Senate Bill five, eight, eight, senator from….”*

Tuesday saw passage of [Senate Bill 588](http://www.senate.mo.gov/16info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=22246607), legislation that would modify provisions relating to petitions for the expungement of criminal records.

Sponsor, Sen. Bob Dixon of Springfield, says “expungement” has a specific definition in this measure…

**Dixon 3 / Runs :08 / OC: a greater penalty.**

*“The prosecutors said, ‘We want to be able to see that record, so that we know that they’ve committed that before, because — for some offenses — the second offense carries a greater penalty.”*

During discussion, Sen. Shalonn “Kiki” Curls of Kansas City mentioned people have been clamoring for this for years…

**Curls 4 / Runs :10 / OC: a loan company.**

*“Later on, have lived life on a straight and narrow path, and they still can’t work any contracts with the federal government. They can’t even get a job as a janitor at a loan company.”*

Senate Bill 588 is now in the Missouri House of Representatives for its consideration…

**Nat Snd 3 / Runs :05 / OC: of vetoed bills.**

*“Senate will go to the order of business of vetoed bills.”*

On Wednesday, Missouri senators overrode the veto of [Senate Bill 586](http://www.senate.mo.gov/16info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=22246606), which would make changes to school funding.

Sponsor, Sen. Jay Wasson of Nixa, says the measure is meant to enhance education funding…

**Wasson 5 / Runs :09 / OC: from this bill.**

*“It has been said that we’re cutting 400-something million dollars from the school budget. We’re not. Not a single school loses money from this bill.”*

During debate, Sen. Maria Chappelle-Nadal of University City talked about the governor’s claim of how this proposal would cost schools millions of dollars…

**Chappelle-Nadal 6 / Runs :10 / OC: never had, right?**

*“What we said to that is kind of like, ‘Oh, if I played the lottery, I would have won. Oh, darn, I didn’t get that million dollars.’ It’s a million dollars that you never had, right?”*

On Thursday, the Missouri House joined the upper chamber in overriding the veto of Senate Bill 586.

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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