

HB 290 -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE REPORTS

SPONSOR: Yates, Johnson (47), Dusenberg, Pratt, Smith (14), Avery, Guest, Pearce

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Elections by a vote of 11 to 1.

Under current campaign finance disclosure laws, certain candidates are required to file campaign finance disclosure reports with both the Missouri Ethics Commission and the candidate's election authority. This bill eliminates the requirement of filing those reports with the election authority if the reports have been filed electronically with the commission and the candidate has filed a declaration with the election authority that electronic filing will be used exclusively.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill simplifies matters and eliminates an undue burden.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Yates.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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