

HCS HB 1524 -- TRANSIENT GUEST TAX

SPONSOR: Johnson, 47 (Ransdall)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 17 to 0.

This substitute allows the City of St. Roberts to impose, upon voter approval, a room tax of not more than 5% per night. This tax will be in addition to any other tax authorized by law and will be used for the purpose of funding the construction, maintenance, and operation of a convention and multipurpose center.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that a multipurpose convention center will stimulate the economic development of the area.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Ransdall.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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