SB 808 -- MISSOURI BIOMASS TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION

SPONSOR: Klindt (Townley)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 16 to 0 with 2 present.

This bill establishes the Missouri Biomass Technology Commission which duties will include collecting data, evaluating existing programs, creating new programs, and making recommendations to the legislature on program developments and uses for alternative energy. The committee will develop a comprehensive guide to alternative energy development, production, and use that will be presented to the General Assembly. The provisions of the bill will expire on June 30, 2007.

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

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will help the state develop alternative energy sources and help alleviate our dependency on foreign energy sources.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Klindt.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

Marc Webb, Legislative Analyst