

SCS SB 1045 -- CROSS BURNING

SPONSOR: Kinder (Haywood)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Special Committee on Urban Issues by a vote of 7 to 0.

This substitute makes it illegal to burn a cross with the intent to intimidate any person or group. This crime is a class A misdemeanor and a class D felony for any subsequent offense.

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

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill is necessary to make it illegal to burn a cross in Missouri.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Kinder.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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