

HCS HJR 16 -- PARKS AND SOILS TAX

SPONSOR: Hobbs (Chinn)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 9 to 0.

This proposed constitutional amendment extends, upon voter approval, the parks and soils sales and use tax to 2016. The tax will be resubmitted every 10 years thereafter.

FISCAL NOTE: Estimated Effect on General Revenue Fund of an Income of \$0 in FY 2006, a Cost of \$19,335 in FY 2007, and an Income of \$0 in FY 2008. No impact on Other State Funds in FY 2006, FY 2007, and FY 2008.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will improve Missouri parks, campgrounds, and trails and produce very positive economic benefits for the state.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Chinn; Missouri Parks and Recreation Association; Conservation Federation of Missouri; Missouri Farm Bureau; Missouri Parks Association; Missouri Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts; Missouri Forestry Products Association; and Sierra Club.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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