## SB 176 -- POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ELECTIONS

This bill allows Cole County to elect a sheriff, due to a vacancy in the office, at the general municipal election in April rather than at a special election in March as current law requires. This provision expires June 1, 2005.

The City of Poplar Bluff is authorized, upon voter approval, to impose a sales tax not to exceed 0.5% on all retail sales within the county to be used solely for funding economic development projects approved by the voters, including a transportation corporation.

The bill contains an emergency clause.