

SB 516 -- REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

SPONSOR: Griesheimer (Richard)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Job Creation and Economic Development by a vote of 14 to 0.

Currently, any district providing emergency services is entitled to reimbursement from the Special Allocation Fund in an amount equal to at least 50% but not more than 100% of the district's tax increment. This bill removes this provision.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2006, FY 2007, and FY 2008.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that there are conflicts in the current statutes and the bill clarifies whether fire districts can be reimbursed from the tax increment financing district's fund. The bill will help fire districts obtain bonding, which they sometimes now have trouble doing because of the conflicting statutes.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Griesheimer; and Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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