SS SJR 1 -- PARKS AND SOILS TAX

SPONSOR: Klindt (Chinn)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 11 to 2.

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 \$38,670 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.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill extends a 10-cent sales tax in order to help fund state parks and the state's soil conservation program.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Klindt; Missouri Soil and Water Conservation District; Missouri Parks and Recreation; Missouri Parks Association; Sierra Club; Conservation Federation; Missouri Farm Bureau; and Department of Natural Resources.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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