

SCS HCS HB 1804 -- MUNICIPALITIES

This bill changes the laws regarding municipalities. In its main provisions, the bill:

(1) Requires the budget or any authorization to expend funds in third class cities to be approved by an ordinance, motion, or resolution approved by a majority of all members elected to the governing body;

(2) Authorizes cities with more than 5,000 inhabitants to frame and adopt or amend a charter pursuant to Sections 19 and 20 of Article VI of the Missouri Constitution. Currently, only cities with more than 10,000 inhabitants may frame and adopt or amend a charter; and

(3) Repeals the limits on the expenditure of excursion gambling boat revenues by the City of St. Charles and St. Charles County.

The bill contains an emergency clause for the provision regarding charter cities.