

HCS HB 1888 -- ANNEXATION OF LAND WITHIN THE SPRINGFIELD AIRPORT ZONE

SPONSOR: Schneider (Schoeller)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 11 to 0.

Currently, no municipality is allowed to annex land located within the airport zone of the City of Springfield. This substitute allows a municipality to annex land in the airport zone if it enters into an agreement to adopt, enforce, and administer Springfield's airport zoning ordinance. If the municipality fails to enforce or administer the airport zoning ordinance or the agreement, it will be subject to an injunction, quo warranto, mandamus, declaratory judgment, or any other remedy provided by the agreement.

A combined board of adjustment as determined by the agreement will have the powers of a board of adjustment under Section 89.090, RSMo, except that the concurring vote of eight members of the combined board will be necessary to reverse administrative official decisions or to approve ordinance variations.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2009, FY 2010, and FY 2011.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the cities of Springfield and Willard have reached an agreement that will allow Willard to expand its city limits in order to promote economic growth.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Schoeller; and Dan Wichmer, City of Springfield.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.