HCS HB 1831 -- SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

SPONSOR: Wallace (Jones, 117)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 13 to 0.

This substitute allows a school district, after 10 years, to return donated real property to the original donor or to sell it as surplus.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2011, FY 2012, and FY 2013.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that no statutory procedure exists to return donated property. This has created a problem for the Prairie Home School District which has acquired property and is unable to develop it as planned.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Jones (117); and Larry Davis.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say procedures in Chapter 177, RSMo, require a district to go to bid, list property with an agent, or deed it to another political subdivision.

Testifying on the bill was Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.