HB 1456 -- OFFICIAL STATE DOG DESIGNATIONS

SPONSOR: Hoskins

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Tourism and Natural Resources by a vote of 24 to 0.

This bill designates the dog known as "Old Drum" as the official state historical dog and the dog known as "Jim the Wonder Dog" as Missouri's official Wonder Dog.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will help promote tourism and the state's history. The "Eulogy to Old Drum" coined the phrase "Man's Best Friend."

Testifying for the bill were Representative Hoskins; Kristi Eckfeld, Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce; and Johnson County Economic Development Committee.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.