HB 1897 -- MISSOURI PROPANE GAS COMMISSION

SPONSOR: Kolkmeyer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Utilities by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill renames the Missouri Propane Gas Commission to the Missouri Propane Safety Commission and changes the membership of the commission by removing the member representing the Department of Natural Resources and adding the State Fire Marshal or his or her designee.

The bill specifies that a county also cannot adopt or enforce any ordinance or regulation in conflict with specified provisions of law or specified state regulations regarding the design, construction, installation, or operation of equipment for storing, handling, and transporting liquefied petroleum gases and specifying the odorization of the gases.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill makes minor changes to the propane regulations including changing the name of the "Missouri Propane Gas Commission" to the "Missouri Propane Safety Commission" to better reflect its function. The commission board is changed to allow the Department of Public Safety to have a member and some technical changes are also made.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Kolkmeyer.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.