HB 473 -- COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURTS

SPONSOR: Higdon

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 9 to 1. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on State and Local Governments by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill authorizes Buchanan County to prosecute and punish violations of its county orders in the circuit court.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this authorization language was inadvertently left out of other authorization language for Buchanan County in a bill last session.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Higdon and Trent Watson, Buchanan County.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.