HB 686 -- JUNKING CERTIFICATES ON MOTOR VEHICLES

SPONSOR: Hinson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Select Committee on Rules by a vote of 8 to 2.

This bill changes the laws regarding junking certificates on motor vehicles. The bill revises the definition of "junk vehicle" to include a vehicle that has been designated as junk or a substantially equivalent designation by Missouri or any another state. The bill requires the purchaser of a junk vehicle to submit the salvage certificate of title or certificate of ownership to the Director of the Department of Revenue, and the department director must issue a negotiable junking certificate that must authorize the holder to possess, transport, or by assignment transfer ownership in the parts, scrap, or junk.

The department must only issue a junking certificate for any junk vehicle, regardless of whether the designation has been subsequently changed erroneously or by law in this or any other state, and a salvage or original certificate of title must not thereafter be issued for the vehicle. If the vehicle has not been previously designated as a junk vehicle, the applicant making the original junking certificate application must be allowed to rescind the application within 90 days.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will streamline the process for Missouri residents to obtain a junking certificate.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Hinson; Missouri Auto and Truck Recycling Association; LKQ; Missouri Department of Revenue; and Missouri Auto Dealers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.