

HB 1388 -- 16TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

SPONSOR: Roeber

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Civil and Criminal Proceedings by a vote of 8 to 0. Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Select Committee on Rules by a vote of 6 to 0.

This bill moves Division 12 of the 16th Judicial Circuit from Kansas City to the City of Independence.

This bill is similar to HB 799 (2015).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill simply moves Division 12 in the 16th Judicial Circuit from Kansas City to Independence due to population shifts that have occurred within that judicial circuit. This division move would allow cases to be heard more efficiently. Currently, they are technically violating state law by referring cases to the division in Kansas City, but they must do this in order to get cases heard in a timely manner.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Roeber; Justine Delmeero, 16th Judicial Circuit; and Jackson County Legislators.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.