HB 2125 -- SAVINGS PROMOTIONS PLANS

SPONSOR: Fitzwater (49)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Banking by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on Financial Institutions and Taxation by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill authorizes eligible financial institutions to offer and conduct savings promotion programs. A savings promotion program is a contest that offers a participant chances to win prizes if he or she makes a minimum deposit into an eligible account.

This bill is similar to SB 833 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this is a great program that creates a habit to save. Sixteen states offer savings promotion plans and each state has seen an increase in savings.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Fitzwater; the Missouri Credit Union Association; and the Missouri Bankers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.