

HB 899 -- TRANSIENT GUEST TAX

SPONSOR: Brown (57)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 12 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill adds the City of Archie and the City of Winnebago Falls to the list of cities and counties that may impose, upon voter approval, a transient guest tax of between 2% and 5% per occupied room per night for the promotion of tourism.

This bill is the same as HB 1533 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that although currently there are no hotels in Archie, developers have expressed an interest in building one so the community just wants to be ready.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Brown.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.