HB 1135 -- SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS INITIATIVE

SPONSOR: Evans

This bill provides that any taxpayer that has hired a student majoring in a field related to science, technology, engineering, or mathematics at any Missouri secondary educational institution as an intern, or a graduate of a field related to science, technology, engineering, or mathematics from any Missouri secondary educational institution as an employee, may have up to \$5,000 of their tax liability transferred to the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Fund in lieu of the General Revenue Fund. To qualify, the internship or full-time employment must occur in Missouri with specific duration requirements.

The bill also states that the General Assembly may decline to earmark funds to the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Fund.