HCS HB 1212 -- LICENSE PLATE STICKER OPTION

SPONSOR: Korman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill establishes an advisory committee to consider the costs and implementation process for allowing the use of a bumper sticker in lieu of a front license plate on vehicles. The composition of the committee is specified in the bill, and it will issue a report to the General Assembly by December 31, 2017.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that it is necessary to begin consideration of alternative methods for license plates that still provide proper identification to law enforcement.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Korman.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say the costs to recalibrate software to identify bumper sticker forms of identification and to equip all police cars with the new technology are unknown at this time.

Testifying on the bill were Missouri State Troopers Association and the Missouri Fraternal Order of Police.