SB 411 -- INTERSTATE COMPACT CONCERNING THE BI-STATE METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

SPONSOR: Schatz (Tate)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Consent and House Procedures by a vote of 12 to 0.

This bill authorizes Franklin County to join an interstate compact between Missouri and Illinois involving joint infrastructure projects, fee collection, and other issues specified under Section 70.370, RSMo.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill allows greater economic development opportunities for Franklin county. It is an interstate agreement which must be approved in the same form by Illinois and then submitted to the United States Congress for ratification so the legislation should remain in its introduced format.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Schatz and the Bi-State Development Agency.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.