

HB 1607 -- LEAD-ACID BATTERY FEE

SPONSOR: Korman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Administrative Oversight Committee by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill extends from December 31, 2018, to December 31, 2023, the \$.50 fee that is collected on the retail sale of a lead-acid battery as well as the fees for any hazardous waste generated.

This bill is the same as HB 1168 (2017).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the fee was established in 2005 to allow citizens to help fund the Hazardous Waste Program.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Korman; Department of Natural Resources; Missouri Retailers Association; and Associated Industries of Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.