HB 1809 -- BI-STATE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND BI-STATE METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

SPONSOR: Tate

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Administrative Oversight Committee by a vote of 14 to 0.

This bill adds Franklin County to the compact between Missouri and Illinois creating the Bi-State Development Agency and the Bi-State Metropolitan Development District.

This bill is the same as SB 757 (2018).

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 Representative Tate; John Griesheimer; and John Nations, Bi-State Development.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.